

# NEWSLETTER

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

# May

7h, 21st: Popcorn Tuesdays

8th: Apparel Sale May Music Concert

13th: Bios Due for PTO Treasurer

**Position** 

14th: PTO Meeting 6:30pm at St.

Brendan's Inn

## June

5<sup>th</sup>: Panera Fundraiser 4-8pm

10th: End of Year School Carnival

# CORRENT PTO OFFICERS

President-Marisa Hanson Vice President-Mary Rupp Treasurer-Phuong Hudson Secretary-Lisa Hansen

## **Important Announcement from PTO President**

As a dear friend of ours often stated when sharing new information, "we have an exciting turn of events"! Our family has made a choice to move into our home school district starting with the 2019/2020 school year. First and foremost we want to share how grateful we are for every relationship we have built here at LdV, both with the team of teachers and staff, and the parents of our 5<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 1<sup>st</sup> grade children. The experiences and opportunities we have had to grow and learn together will always be cherished. Though we will be schooling elsewhere, we fully plan to support LdV in the years ahead...this is a very special school that we adore deeply. Thank you for everything...GO DRAGONS!

The Marisa and Mark Hanson Family

#### **PTO Board Vacancy Position**

Due to Marisa Hanson's resignation as PTO President effective 6/11/19, and in accordance with the PTO bylaws, Mary Rupp, current Vice President, will be the new PTO President beginning on that date. On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the PTO Board of Directors met and voted Phuong Hudson as the incoming Vice President. Lisa Hansen will remain as Secretary.

Since Phuong is the current Treasurer, this position will be vacant as of June 11<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in this position, please submit all bios to <a href="mailto:ldavincipto@gmail.com">ldavincipto@gmail.com</a> no later than **MONDAY**, **MAY 13<sup>th</sup>** and plan on attending the PTO Meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

Please see next page for more PTO vacancy info!

#### PTO Treasurer Vacancy

Below is the process from our by-laws stating how PTO Board vacancies are filled once a resignation is received.

**Vacancies-**A vacancy in any office for any reason may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

Vacancies in the Board of Directors occurring for any reason, including an increase in the authorized number of Directors, may be filled by a vote of the majority of the Directors then in office, even though less than a quorum. Each Director so elected shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term such Director was elected to fill or until such Director's successor is elected and qualified, or until such Director's death, resignation or removal.

**Treasurer Responsibilities**-The Treasurer shall perform all duties customary to that office and shall have knowledge of all corporate funds and securities and shall keep full and accurate documentation of receipts and disbursements, assets and liabilities in the books of the Corporation. The Treasurer shall deposit or cause to be deposited all monies or other valuable effects in the name of the Corporation in such depositories as shall be selected by the Board.

Bios must be submitted by Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> and candidates must be present at the PTO Meeting on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. In the bio, please include your relationship to LdV, as well as a description of your skillset related to the position. Though it is necessary to have a good organizational skills, please don't be nervous to submit a bio if you do not have previous experience. We're a team!

#### **Panera Bread Fundraiser**

Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> from 4-8pm is our next fundraiser night at Panera Bread located at 2627 S. Oneida St in Ashwaubenon. We will receive 20% of all sales during the fundraiser timeframe. Please bring with the flier that will be distributed. This was a very successful fundraiser a few months ago and it was great to see so many LdV families! If you would like to use SCRIP and help us earn an extra 8% for our school, please contact Shannon Schultz mom4gr8tkids@gmail.com .



#### **Apparel Sales**

Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, before the 8:30am and 1pm May Music Concerts, there will be apparel sales! The table will be located in the hallway, outside the gym. Such a fun and fashionable way to show your family's school spirit!



#### **End of the Year Carnival**

The End of the Year Carnival will be held on the last day of school, Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time! All spots are currently filled, but please keep your eyes open for more possible opportunites!

#### **Chair Positions**

Chair Positions are currently available, if you have any interest in the below opportunities, please inform any PTO Board Member!

- Fundraising Chair
- Apparel Co-chair for the 2019-2020 school year. This would include ordering items and talking with vendors.
- Marcus Theatres Fundraising Chair 2020/2021
- Trivia Night Chair



#### **Easy Fundraising with the da Vinci PTO**

The PTO has several easy ways to help generate funds for the events and projects that we sponsor throughout the year. Our students and teachers and staff work so hard all year, and we are thrilled when we can make things a little easier for all them. Check out our <u>fundraising webpage</u> and look at some of the easy options we have to add money to our budget.

In addition, we would like to highlight our scrip program. Great Lakes Scrip Center offers gift cards for over 300 stores and brands. You simply buy a gift card for a purchase you were going to make anyway, and a percentage of the gift card face value is donated to the PTO. You can order the cards online using our enrollment code (BC37E41C36926) or submit a paper order form to the office (page 1 and page 2).

Also, don't forget about the always popular Popcorn Tuesdays. Popcorn cards can be purchased from JoAnn Metzler in the school office for \$2.50. Correct change is appreciated. This is an easy and delcious way to support the PTO and to treat your kids.

Many employers offer a match program when their employee chooses to donate towards a non-profit. If you're interested in donating towards the LdV PTO, which uses the funds to support our students, staff and school, please consider discussing this option with your Human Resourse Department.

#### **Classroom Wishes Granted**

A new initiative has been launched entitled "Classroom Wishes Granted". The idea came about as an extension of the holiday giving tree concept. Teachers will submit to the PTO Board material goods and services they might be "wishing" for in their classrooms. It is our hope to connect teacher needs with parent generosity in order to further enhance our terrific school! Please check out the link below for ways that you can help grant wishes!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4ca8ae2ca6fc1-granting



#### **PTO Connect**

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their information to the PTO Connect. Don't forget, teachers will not distribute a class list, so the PTO Connect is the best way to get in touch with classmates and families. If you haven't included your information yet, use the link below to get connected with the great community at Leonardo da Vinci! Please note, if you have submitted your information in previous years, it is carried forward into the new year. However, if you have a new student at da Vinci, (including younger siblings new to the school) please consider adding your information.

The PTO link is only shared with parents who submit their information. It is never posted anywhere public.

**Click here to add your information to the PTO Connect** 

# Leonardo da Vinci School PTO Meeting Minutes April 9th, 2019

#### Attendance-

Marisa Hanson, Mary Rupp, Phuong Hudson, Lisa Hansen, Katie Houle, Allison Hockers, Tammy Van Dyke, Jann Larson, Tiffany Bowles, Heather Stefaniak, Amanda Hatton, Angela Whipp, Betsy Munchoff, Margarita Johnson, Sue Soleski, Ryan Johnson, Kiran Khot

Call to order- Marisa Hanson called the meeting to order at 6:32pm

**President** – Marisa Hanson discussed the need for future volunteers for chair positions within the PTO. These positions include: Fundraising Chair, Apparel Co-Chair for the 2019-2020 school year, and Marcus Theatre Fundraising Chair. If anyone has interest in these positions, any member of the PTO Board should be contacted.

Also, PTO Board positions are for a 2 year term and the current board will be ending their tenure at the beginning of the 2020/2021 school year. The board feels it would be beneficial if parents who are interested in the President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary positions begin shadowing the current members next school year in order to gain an idea of what is needed and to ensure a smooth transition. Please, contact any Board Member if you have questions or would like to express interest.

**Trivia Night-**Heather Stefaniak reviewed the plans for 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Trivia Night which was scheduled for Thursday, April, 11<sup>th</sup>. Once the plans for the night were originally being developed, it was hoped that 10 tables would be sold, however, the interest in the event far exceeded expectations and 20 tables were sold. The night will include 8 rounds of trivia, 50/50 raffle, bucket raffles and a live auction. Doors open at 5:30 and the event is expected to end at 9pm.

Vice President Report-Mary Rupp reviewed future fundraising plans and other PTO activities.

- Chipotle will be on Monday, 5/6/19 from 5pm-9pm. The address is 2388 S. Oneida St, Ashwaubenon and Chipotle will be donating 33% of their profits to the school. The LdV Flier is not needed, however, it is strongly encouraged. If you don't have flier, mention to cashier that you're supporting LdV.
- Panera Bread in Green Bay will be holding a second fundraiser on Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, from 4pm-8pm. Please, remember to bring the flier which was sent out to families. Panera will be donating 20% of their profits back to the LdV PTO.
- Square 1 Art will be a possible fundraiser for next school year. Parents would be able to submit their child's
  artwork into the company and have it turned into various collectible items. A percentage of the profit would
  then be donated to the PTO.
- Thank you notes were received from teachers in appreciation to the PTO sending gifts of congratulations.
- The Classroom Wishes Granted program continues to be going well and has received positive feedback.
- Chess Club has been a huge success. Amanda Hatton stated that the students have been doing really well learning the necessary skills. More volunteers are needed in order for the meetings to run. There have been scheduled meetings that were not able to be held due to low volunteer interest. It has been recommended that a Chess Club Chair position be added to provide extra support.

**Treasurer Report**- Checking account balance of \$12,643 and savings account balance of \$18,104. Total balance of \$30,747. Phuong Hudson reviewed financial expectations for Trivia Night. The event received \$750 in sponsorship support and expenses were at \$2172. A more detailed financial picture of the night will be reviewed at the May PTO Meeting.

• Amazon Smile has brought in \$760 in fundraising dollars. The program is a very simple way of having money donated. Parents are encouraged to check out the program next time they are shopping on Amazon.

- In terms of financial transparency, it was explained that all PTO expenditures could be found on the PTO website under the financial section in the Treasurer's Report . Any questions regarding the PTO finances can be directed to the board.
- The total balance for the PTO funds is slightly elevated due to a small number of unused Holiday SCRIP. This is expected to even out by the end of the school year.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> grade base teams were given their requested funds (\$1200) for the charter bus transportation for their class trip to Madison.
- The middle school trip will be held at the end of May, funds were also requested and approved for this event. This totaled \$2500.

**Staff Representative Report-**Sue Soleski provided information regarding the End of the Year (EOY) Carnival. The dunk tank will return, as well as the addition of a bouncy house with a slide. Princess Crowns and Dragon Wings are also being looked into as a way to blend in the Renaissance Faire. Also, purchasing heavy duty materials in order to have sturdier games will also be occurring this year. Details will be solidified by the May PTO Meeting as well as a fund request for the PTO to review.

Lisa Knuth will be setting up SCRIP for end of the year appreciation gifts for faculty and staff.

Allison Hockers reported on the Pi Day Race for this year. The totals are complete and there will be a final presentation at the school with the final amounts.

**New Business-**The committee reminded the group that all ideas for future meetings are welcomed. If parents do not feel comfortable talking during meetings, they're most welcome to email the PTO Board.

The possibility of apparel sales being strictly online is being discussed and reviewed. The main purpose of the apparel sales is to increase and encourage school spirit. However, it is a very labor intensive program and could be streamlined by focusing on online sales. The ability to sell smaller, trinket type items in person will be looked into since these items sell well during school events such as Parent/Teacher Conferences.

The May LdV PTO Meeting will be an open table discussion, so please come with ideas and thoughts you'd like to share.

#### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday, May 14th at 6:30pm at St. Brendan's Inn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.

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