

9/18/25 Meeting Notes: Padres en Acción & SAC

The evening began with a meeting of the School Accountability Committee (led by Principal Lindsey Mozer) and was followed by the Padres en Acción Meeting (The school's Parent/Teacher Organization, led by Jill Munson).

These joint meetings will be held on the **second Thursday of the month from 5-7**. All parents are invited to attend and may join at any point in the school year. Pizza and childcare are provided in the gym, and adults meet in the library. Meetings are most often led in English, and Spanish interpretation is provided.

SAC Meeting:

Principal Lindsey Mozer presented about Irish's "Priority Improvement Plan," indicating 3 approaches that are expected to yield an increase in student performance scores:

1. Consistency: aligning expectations for student output
2. Coherence: aligned systems of monitoring progress
3. Parent Engagement: Two way communication through student portfolios

(The school will send a summary of the presentation to families)

Parents divided into small groups to discuss "What I like, What is missing from the plan, and Specific Suggestions"

Lindsey will take feedback and compile into a Unified Improvement Plan document.

Evening of **October 7th** - present to the board of education. **Parents are encouraged to attend.**

Other opportunities for parent support:

- Family School Community Partnership team (FSCP- a required component of a Title 1 school) Meets first Monday of the month for 1 hour to give feedback on parent engagement plans. Need a committed parent. (Jaime J. volunteers)
- District Advisory Board – a representative of each school (Irish does not have one) Meets Monday evening (Erin M. considers participating)

PTO Meeting:

Review meeting agenda from May of last school year

Rollerland – booked for Tuesday, March 31 from 5-8

- suggested that we improve the process of sponsoring some families to cover the cost of entrance. Next time we should purchase and distribute gift cards to families selected by the family liaisons

City Park Pool Party – success! We should plan to do this again. *Put it on the January agenda.* Should communicate to families whether there will be food at the event

Clothing Drive for Eco Week

- no businesses willing to solicit donations for us. Only willing to post for employee participation. *Possible grant opportunities from JAX to be considered at end of the school year for Sept. 2026 Eco Week.*
- Instead, Family Liaisons will compile backpacks with hygiene supplies and socks/underwear for newcomer and McKinney families so that they have what they need for the Fall 2025 2-night Eco Week.

Financial Updates:

- End of last school year, PAC gifted 56 school employees \$20 each
- \$7100 currently in checking account
- \$2100 currently in PayPal account that will be transferred into the checking account (this money was the result of a fund-raising campaign that took place before Padres en Accion was a 501C3.)
- Can sign-up in King Soopers app to designate donations to come to Irish. Currently, approx. \$450 a quarter coming in from approximately 20 families. *Action item: communicate this passive fund-raising opportunity to all Irish families*
- Illegal Pete's fundraiser - January 22nd (15% donation; ALL DAY!, must mention Irish) (Kelly M. is taking lead on this event)
- October fundraiser at Café Mexicali (10% donation to school) (Megan C. taking lead)
- Possibly opportunity: MOD Pizza does successful fundraisers for other schools

T-shirt fundraiser

- Ms. Mozer is concerned about funding for educational software being cut. Want to build a reserve of finances to dedicate to this purpose (How much does Ms. Mozer anticipate needing to cover this expense?)
- Consider creating a new t-shirt for sale with kids or staff making the design
- Could this happen in art class with Ms. Compton? (only 55 hours per year)

- Would need to print these very soon to have them ready to sell at December 11 Community Celebration of Culture (formerly Holiday Night)
- Should there be a small committee discussion about this to meet in a couple of weeks?
- Diana will gauge interest from staff to see if they would like to design shirts
- Suggested coupons/discount day to increase sales of existing t-shirts. Front office to promote 2 weeks ahead of time. *Action: Ana will pick a date (maybe at beginning of month to align with many people's payday) and PTO staff will be present to sell during pick-up or drop-off at Irish*

Pavilion project update:

- Lindsey planning to reach out to the PSD grant writer for assistance
- Parent, Kristy B. works for the City and is keeping Irish informed on the timeline of this process. She is not able to help write a grant because of her role.

Future PTO meetings:

- Will happen second Thursday of every month beginning at 5 pm with a Student Advisory Committee meeting hosted by Lindsey Mozier

Facebook account:

- The official Irish School account is maintained by the district and has strict limitations on what can be posted. A PTO account can post more updates about the activities and successes. DON'T post kids' pictures. DO announce events and post flyers. Will help keep the school community updated.
- Former Padres en Accion parent, Jenny M., used to maintain this account. *Action: Hannah H. will contact her to get password access*
- Seeking Volunteer to maintain this account. Hannah R. will take this one!
- If we want to use this as a means of communication to the Irish community, *Action: we should send a flyer in the Thursday folder asking people to "Friend" the page* (Lead?)

Teacher Appreciation:

- *Action: Look into purchase of ice machine* (Hannah H.)
- *Action: Provide Qdoba buffet*, a big hit with staff last year – Conferences Oct. 16th (Kelly M. will handle arrangements, order for 11:30)

Adding Padres en Acción Members:

- *Action: Make a personal invitation to K and 1st grade families* (Megan takes lead)