

**5/7/2026 - Padres en Acción**

**Student Advisory Committee (SAC)**

Discussion led by Principal Lindsey Mozer

Bridget Garcia starts her contract as new Principal of Irish Elementary on July 16<sup>th</sup>.

The PTO is interested in meeting with her ahead of the start of the school year and will extend an invitation to her for a date during the summer.

Tuesday's upcoming School Board Meeting – there will be a vote to create a policy for creating the criteria that determine school consolidations.

A dashboard has been created and will soon be made public that includes the data being considered as evaluation criteria. Ms. Mozer presented a sneak peek of this tool that was made available to principals. (Tip: There is a glossary to the left of the dashboard to define all terms involved)

Student Capacity: Take the number of classroom spaces and multiply by 25 (for number of students). Target capacity for a building is 80% (100% is considered too full)

- Irish's current utilization is captured at 51%

Facility Condition Assessment: (considers things like electrical, plumbing, HVAC, outdoor space) The closer that you get to 30, the worse it is. Our building is at 21.55. Roof has been slated to be replaced for years now and will be taken care of this summer. This may change the school's score slightly for the better.

Our choice in and out rates are both 38%. 62% of neighborhood students choose to stay at Irish. (This number compares favorably to most other schools.)

To be considered for consolidation, schools must meet 2/3 of the consolidation criteria that are not yet determined.

When preparing our suggestions on how to preserve the bilingual education offered at Irish, we should take the dashboard data into consideration along with potential options suggested by David Autenrieth in a meeting with Padres en Acción member (and PSD staff), Erin McCain.

Next year at Irish:

Based on available funding and projected student enrollment for next year, each grade level is expected to have two classrooms.

### **Padres en Acción Meeting:**

Finances:

- Grossed close to \$7000 at Day of the Child
- The auction earned almost \$3400

Reflections on Day of the Child

- \$80 to rent a cotton candy machine. This is always very popular. May consider purchasing a machine if one comes available for sale on FB Marketplace.
- Disappointed that the face painters didn't show up. This was a student group led by Danielle, the principal at Poudre Community Academy. For the future, we should ensure that there is an adult docent. Alternatively, we could consider inviting high school students in need of community service hours from other schools. Jill Munson suggests that her daughter and friends might be excited for this opportunity.
- The mercadito was great. It would be nice to have more volunteers stationed there.
- We need to distribute the volunteer sign-up sooner (We can get the Sign-up Genius from the front office for future use. Jill will lead this effort with Liliana and Diana now, as neither will be at Irish next year.)
- Clear, specific language when requesting volunteers might lead to higher participation levels. (As a comparison, we had an enthusiastic and quick response from families when asked to bring specific food items for a teacher appreciation taco bar)
- The steamed hot dogs from the kitchen worked out easily
- In the past, we've had people volunteer services/talents for the auctions. Let's see if we can do that next year.
- Let's make sure we send "thank you" notes to businesses/folks that donated to the auction (This could happen during an upcoming evening at Stodgy)

Myra requested PTO's support in putting up decorations for kinder and 5<sup>th</sup> grade graduations.

Teacher Appreciation Week activities:

- Coffee cart rescheduled due to mechanical trouble for the vehicle. New date: next Tuesday, 10:45-11:45 Need volunteers to deliver drinks to teachers.
- Taco bar sign-up filled quickly with volunteer donations

#### Pool Party at City Park Pool

- August 16<sup>th</sup>
- Let's communicate with office front staff (Myra will be back July 20, Ana and New Secretary Sandra Rios will be back August 30<sup>th</sup>)

#### Rollerland

- Scheduled for Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> 2027 4-7 p.m.

#### Planning for next school year:

- Jill is working with Samantha Carpenter to bring Crawford Advocacy Center to Irish next year

#### Officers for 2026

- Jill still comfortable being the president
- Jess interested in Vice President role (interest in supporting consolidation discussions)
- Melissa willing to continue taking notes at meetings as Secretary
- Megan taking on head treasurer role