

FALL CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTSA 2.18.15

Special General Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2015

Special General Meeting for Project Lead the Way
Michelle Ingalls, Co-President and Meeting Chair

Michelle Ingalls called the meeting to order at 4:35pm. Quorum was established.

Overview of Project Lead the Way

Project Lead the Way (PLTW)

<https://www.pltw.org/our-programs/pltw-launch>

Monica gave overview of the STEM project Project Lead the Way which is a STEM program that is learning by discovery. PLTW's rigorous and relevant curriculum was collaboratively developed and is continually reviewed and improved by PLTW staff, teachers, university educators, industry experts, and school administrators. It leverages an innovative, project-based approach that fosters collaboration and builds critical thinking skills. It is aligned to state and national standards - It aligns to Common Core State Standards for Math and English Language Arts, Next Generation Science Standards, and other national and state standards.

It is flexible and customizable - PLTW Launch curriculum includes 24 modules aligned to grade-level standards. Teachers and schools have the flexibility to introduce the modules that they want, when they want, at the grade level they want.

The program will be K-5th school wide and is in addition to our current science curriculum. It will utilize mobile technology and an apple TV license so that the work can be projected on a screen.

It will roll out in September.

Startup costs of Project Lead the Way

The PTSA had originally planned money to be used for a Curriculum Enhancement grant in the amount of \$17,600 for the 2015-2016 school year. This was voted on and approved at the May 2015 General Membership meeting as well approved as part of the overall budget for 2015-2016 school year.

Now that it has been decided on bringing Project Lead the Way to the school we will use the Curriculum Grant money from the PTSA to fund that. We do need to increase it to \$19,830 and we also need to release the money this fiscal year so that we can purchase the program and conduct teacher training so we are ready to launch it at FCES at the start of the school year.

A detailed breakdown of the PLTW startup costs can be found [here](#).

General Membership Vote

The vote was put before the membership to fund the startup costs of Project Lead the Way which is \$19,830 for those funds to be released this fiscal year. (June 30th is the PTSA fiscal year end). The funds will come out of the PTSA checking account.

For reference the current PTSA bank balances are as follows:

Deposit Accounts

Account	Number Available	Balance	Effective Date
Key Business Reward Checking	29,549.52		06/21/2015
Key Business Saver	33,003.55		06/21/2015
Key Certificate of Deposit	6,028.23		06/21/2015
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Total:	74,609.53		

The membership was asked to approve the use of PTSA funds for the start-up of Project Lead the Way in the amount of \$19,830 and to use that money this fiscal year.

A voice vote was cast to and all were in favor said Aye and it was a full majority as there were no Nays so PLTW funding was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50pm