

AUGUST 15, 2018 UPC MEETING SNAPSHOT

Tip: Print out and use to give your report at parent group meetings

UPC-Who We Are and What We Do: We are parents working together to enhance the PV Schools experience for our children. We support you, we give you access to your Superintendent, and we provide relevant programs of interest to you. Ultimately we ADVOCATE for Students, EDUCATE Parents and Community, COLLABORATE with PVUSD and other Educational Organizations, and WORK with the Superintendent to increase the presence of the UPC.

VOTE | PROP 305: Expansion of Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (ESA) Referendum

- A Yes vote on 305 upholds SB1431 to expand ESAs
- A No vote on 305 repeals SB1431 and ESAs will retain current rules
- Lisa Hoberg made a motion for UPC take the formal position of opposing 305; Jessica Wani seconded
- The motion passed unanimously - UPC formally opposes Prop 305

Membership & New Member Luncheon

- Every school needs to turn in a membership form with complete contact information and preferably personal contact information; the \$75 dollar membership fee is not an individual fee, it is paid by the PTO/A or the school
- New reps, or reps who have never been to the luncheon are invited to the New Rep Luncheon –Wednesday, September 26th immediately following the Program in the Community Ed building (11:30)
- Drawing for 1st timers – submit a form to win a prize
- Bring a friend form – bring a friend at the next meeting and enter yourself in a drawing

Committee Reports:

Special Ed: Deb Kozak

- Seminar date TBD – Intro to Special Ed
- Committee meetings will also be scheduled
- Parents have created a FB page for parents of PV students with special needs – feel free to join

Gifted: Marisha Geraghty

- First committee meeting is August 30th 1-2pm at Wildflower on Indian Bend in Scottsdale – looking for new faces and fresh ideas
- Recruiting heavily for a co-chair as this will be Marisha's last year

Immersion Education: Kea Carota and Laura Miyazaki

- PVUSD has both a Spanish and Mandarin immersion program
- Sandpiper Elementary – Spanish immersion
- Whispering Wind Academy – Mandarin immersion
- Sunrise Middle – Spanish immersion, will eventually have Mandarin immersion

Social Media: Jessica Wani

- We're on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn!
- Check in to our FB Events to spread the word
- Your PTA/PTOs can share UPC posts
- Our website is pvupc.org

PV Schools Education Foundation: Stacey Huscher

- Raises funds to support PVSchools
- Correct email is: stacey@pvsef.org

President's Announcements: Melissa Schwartz

- Susan Matura and Julie Bacon will both be on the PV Governing Board ballot
- VP of Programming position is open – Susan Matura has most of the plans in place and needs someone to transition to
- LINC Coordinator position is open
- Website Coordinator position is open - new website is being worked on and it is much easier to manage
- There are other positions open: DERT, PTO/PTA Liaison, etc

Next Meeting: September 26, 2018 9:00 a.m.

September Program 10:15am: How in the World Will My Student (or I) be ready for Middle School?
Koni Withers, PVUSD Online Counselor