

Immanuel Lutheran School – Parent Teacher League (PTL) Minutes

Date/Time/Place: April 9, 2026, 6:00 pm, Immanuel Church Basement

Presiding: Jessica Mulder • Attendance: 11

Devotion: Jessica Mulder

Accreditation Update

The accreditation team met with group at start of the meeting and asked what is going well at Immanuel and what could be improved. Comments were shared about the Christian atmosphere, the family-like environment throughout the school, and the willingness of teachers to help and give their time to support students.

Secretary's Report

The Secretary's Report was approved. Motion to approve: Cassie Ulbricht

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved. Motion to approve: Stacie Soleta

Old Business

Basketball tournament - this was the first year PTL went back to accepting donations rather than collecting money and having the committee purchase supplies. Overall this went well and should be repeated again next year.

The Sunday meal held during National Lutheran Schools Week brought in \$2,963 in donations. The meal went very well.

Immanuel Lutheran Schools Week also went well, and the students enjoyed the events.

New Business

Nystrom Orchard Fall Fundraiser:

The group discussed the Nystrom Orchard fall fundraiser. The school earns 30% of sales, and the majority were in support of moving forward with this fundraiser in the fall. Overwhelming positive support for the fundraiser and it was decided to move forward with this fundraiser for next fall.

Pastry Puffins Fundraiser:

The group discussed keeping the Pastry Puffins fundraiser, as students do well selling these. It was also discussed that the fundraiser could possibly be switched to the Easter/spring season.

Jessica Mulder will contact Pastry Puffins to make sure PTL does not have a fall spot reserved and will confirm the school's spot with Nystrom Orchard.

Eternal Light Company T-Shirt Sales:

Sarah Laabs brought forward the idea of selling T-shirts through Eternal Light Company. Shirts would cost \$10 each and could be sold for \$25 each. No decision was made.

Election Discussion:

PTL officer positions are two-year terms unless otherwise noted. The following positions were discussed and voted on:

- President: Sarah Laabs was nominated and agreed to the role by vote.
- Vice President: Jessica Mulder will finish the remaining one year of the term.
- Member at Large: Stacie Soderholm
- Treasurer: Gretchen Benda
- Secretary: Ami Swanson, on year remaining

The slate of officers was voted on.

Principal's Report:

The outdoor Gaga pit will be installed. A nine-square game is also on site and needs to be assembled. It can be used indoors or outdoors. The Gaga pit in the gym is currently up and being used, and the students are enjoying it.

Lakefield Fun Night - Lakefield Fun Night will be held Friday. Immanuel will sell root beer floats. It was also proposed to bring the nine-square game. Immanuel will also have a float.

July 4th / 250th Celebration - There was discussion about whether someone from Immanuel has a trailer that could be used repeatedly from year to year to make planning for parade floats easier.

Accreditation - Accreditation will wrap up tomorrow and seems to be going well.

3rd/4th Grade Class Size Discussion - The group discussed the 3rd/4th grade class size, which currently includes 31 students. Options are being considered. Dean is working on this and requesting parent feedback. It was suggested that a survey be sent to 2nd and 3rd grade parents. There was also discussion about planning a meeting for 2nd and 3rd grade parents to discuss options for supporting the class sizes. - A meeting with the church finance board will be held Monday. After that meeting, the school will know more about what financial resources are available.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned. Motion to adjourn: Stacie Soleta

Minutes submitted by:

Ami Swanson, Secretary