

## ANCS PTCA Board Report January/February 2015

### Overview

PTCA has focused these two months on providing financial support for school programs and on working with the school leadership on the Family School Partnership initiative.

### Challenges or Issues

We have made a lot of progress on the Family School Partnership initiative that is part of the Strategic Plan. We tackled the task of documenting how adults (parents, teachers, and staff) partner to support the education of our children. The micro-level of partnership has always worked well and the practices that facilitate those relationships have been captured in written form.

We are now left with the more difficult task of looking at our partnership between parents and the school when it comes to making decisions. We see the need for the school to institutionalize its tradition of parent/school collaboration in a manner that can be a roadmap for the future and a model for others.

The resources here [Encouraging Meaningful Parent/Educator Collaboration](#) and [Strategies for Effective Collaboration with Parents, Schools, and Community Members](#) offer guidance on the vision and practices that would help preserve and grow our culture of parent/school collaboration in a way that support our own success but also provides a model for school reform in our larger community.

We must also let you know that at this time, few of the PTCA officers plan to return next year. It will be necessary to recruit a new slate of officers over the next months.

### Monthly Highlights

- New curtains have been installed on the stage in the auditorium at the EC.
- Awarded over \$6,000 in mini-grants including \$2,300 in funds to support the school's food service program. Mini-grant awards have been posted on the ANCS website.
- The PTCA also approved the purchase of additional I-pads and document cameras at the EC and replacement projectors at the MC.
- Bingo Night is sold out for Friday February 20.
- Discounted pre-registration is open for Run with the Wolves. Members of the ANCS community can save \$2 off race fees by registering in the month of February.

#### Upcoming PTCA Events

**February 20:** Third Friday Coffee  
EC

**February 20:** Bingo Night EC

**February 27:** Principal's Coffee MC

**March 10:** PTCA General Meeting

