

## Eastwood PTO Executive Board Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2017

**Attendance:** Co-Presidents: Gina Naas & Emily Kaiser; Treasurer: Christy Jacobi; Assist Treasurer: Jenny Strabala; Community Relations: Mary Beth Baker; Principal: Sean Taylor; Teacher Representative: Chad Wallace

Approved August meeting minutes

### **Treasurer Report:**

- Fall fundraiser made approximately \$8K up from about \$6K last year
- PTO pledges will be invoiced and PayPal will be set to collect PTO money
- \$385 in PTO donations from staff

### **Grant request(s)**

- Approved Officer Edwards grant request for \$250.32 for signs and posts for the front of the school to assist with drop off
- Skye Leasure requested \$123 for AEAI convention and workshop fees and this was approved. She also requested \$80 for NAEA membership renewal which was Denied. We agreed that covering the cost of teachers' professional memberships is not sustainable going forward.
- Approved Lucia Darling's request for \$114 to cover the cost of transporting AVID students to University of Indianapolis for a college visit. We agreed to offer to cover the lunch cost for any students who are not able to pay.
- Approved Traci Wright's request for \$97.39 to cover costs of organizational materials.
- Approved Kate Alyea grant request for \$180 to purchase used printer for room so that paperwork remains confidential.

### **Principal Updates:**

- **Hurricane Harvey fundraiser has raised over \$3K for two Houston families. Ms. Hendricks will help with dispersing the money. WRTV6 will be reporting on the fundraiser.**
- This will be the last year for I-STEP. The new test is called I-LEARN and will be less open ended.

- Next school board meeting will be 9/27. Topics that will be covered include: options for rebalancing enrollment in schools, potential school day changes and layout options for the new elementary schools.
- Early release Thursday, 9/21 at 3:10.

### **Teacher Liaison Updates:**

- Brain Pop Online Learning Tool- PTO has always funded it, but the price will be increasing to \$1695. Mr Stoffregen will check to see if we can lock-in this price for a 3-5 year contract.

### **Old Business:**

- Coffee with principal on August 18 went well. We need to work on increasing attendance
- Fall fundraiser order collection went well. There will be a sign-up coming for order pick up.
- Penny Wars winner was Spring Mill with \$311; Eastwood collected \$99
- New PTO safe will be in the coffee room; 2 presidents and 2 treasurers will have access code

### **New Business:**

- 6th and 7th grade socials; it has been difficult recruiting volunteers who have completed background checks. There will be inflatables in the gym for the 6th grade social.
- BASH basket theme is Meal Prep
- PTO Membership form no longer includes a donation request for membership
- Our Bylaws are in need of updating. Elizabeth Rogers is working on re-doing them
- Community Support Opportunities: 1. Hygiene drive including deodorant, toothpaste, feminine products 2. Hurricane Support; Mr. Elian talked to Gina about PTO matching fundraising dollars. Discussed whether this is something PTO wants to start doing??
- Garden is being maintained by science classes. Is produce being used?

- We will start monthly Teacher drawing for free fundraiser items

**Next meeting October 20, 2017 @ 8:30am**

Respectfully submitted,

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Diana Ruschhaupt, EWPTO Recording Secretary