

- I. Call to order 7:02pm
- II. Approval of October 2018 minutes First motion to approve by Marsha Neven and Second motion by Shallyny Ramos
- III. Officer Reports
 - a. Principal's Report Dr Thompson:

PSRP, thank you.
Fall fest was very successful. The majority of the feedback indicated parents and students liked it being held at Emerson.
PTC coming up.
Report cards issued this Friday at 3:00 online.
Movie night on 11/30.
School Report Card information was released and Emerson scored as "Commendable." Levels are ranked 1-4.
Niche rating is "A" for 2019.
School Digger: Emerson is #3 elementary school in the District.
School Improvement Goals for 2018-2019:

 - 1) Literacy
 - a) Measured by Fountas & Pinnell based on reading level growth from 8/18-5/19.
 - b) ELL, low income and IEP subgroup growth from 8/18-5/19.
 - 2) Math Goal
 - a) Measured by percentage of all students receiving a "3" (which is considered "at grade level standards") on report cards.
 - b) ELL, low income and IEP subgroups receiving a "3" on report cards.
 - 3) Cultural Goal
 - a) Measured by Emerson staff culture survey.
 - b. Teacher's Report Ms. Malloy PE: Field Day plans in progress.

Thought was to use Eagle Families as groups for students.
Ms Blanford: Library, Award Books available.
Thank you for the \$2,000 donation from Scholastic for the Maker Space and Innovation Station.
Celebration Books now available. Have you child/student be the first to check out a new book and have their photo in the cover page. Cost is \$15.

5th Graders starting Battle of the Books. Teams are reading 18 books and then battle to answer questions. Also, 5th Grade coding club starting.

c. Treasurer's Report Dina Bradford:

Clarification to October 16, 2018 Minutes: - It was approved at the October 16, 2018 Meeting to elect to receive Scholastic Bucks instead of cash proceeds.

Scholastic Bucks \$6,687.25

Request from Robyn who is hosting Multicultural Night to increase the budget from \$100 to \$500. There will be 45 minutes of professional entertainment and 45 minutes of booths with information and food samples, etc. Motion to approve: first from Vanitha Lanoue and second from Carrie Kaufman.

d. President's Report Beth Diviacchi:

Fall Fest: Thank you to Vanitha Lanoue and Carrie Kaufman. Excellent event! Extra candy and snacks went to the teachers and staff to enjoy.

Thank you to Dr. Thompson, Bridget Draz and Kai MacNicol for a successful fall Running Club.

\$660 was earned from the Chipotle Dine & Earn fundraiser.

Portillo's Dine & Earn event is on 12/6.

Dr. Thompson would like to spruce up the Teacher's Lounge, copy room and office supply area. Donations being accepted and needed items will be announced (table set-up at the Holiday Shopping Boutique night).

Referendum was passed!

Windy City Ninja's PTA Fundraiser in January.

Laura Wise: Holiday Shopping Boutique to raise funds for teacher appreciation.

Thursday 12/13 6-8 pm in the gym. \$40 per vendor to participate.

Sennett Family: No Frills Fun Run nominated. Junior Women's Club of Elmhurst. Kie & Kate thru 12/30.

Dad's Club ("The Bald Eagles") Event: also fundraising for the Sennett Family.

Hosted by Jason Judycki on 12/2 at the Knights of Columbus to watch the Bears game. 11:00-4:00pm

IV. Committee Reports

- a. Shoparoo - Kim Daley - take photo of your receipts via their app and earn points for Emerson school.
- b. Social - Kate Melzer Annual Parent's Night Out on 11/16 at Fitz's. Ice Skating Party at the Edge on 1/14/19. Trivia Night on 2/9/19. PSRP: included Stan's Donuts, mixed fruit, coffee; lunch from Pazzi di Pizza with 25% off order; beverages and other assorted trays donated; lunch salad bar with drinks and desserts; Survival Kit (mints, granola bars, etc)

Vanitha and Kristin: reported that Fair Share only has approx 30 non-paying student families. Directory Spot access will be denied.

Carrie Kaufman: idea to start a Facebook page for PTA.

V. Upcoming Events/Announcements

11/14 - Paraprofessionals and School Related Personnel Appreciation Day (teacher's assistants, secretaries, custodians, nurses)

11/16 - Parents Night Out

11/19 and 11/20 - Parent/Teacher Conferences

11/30 - PTA/Student Council Movie Night

12/2 - Dad's Club Event

12/6 - Portillo's Eat and Earn

12/13 - Emerson Holiday Craft Fair

12/20 - Candace Fleming Author Visit

1/14 - Emerson Ice Skating Party 1 - 3pm at the Edge Ice Arena (Bensenville)

VIII. Adjournment 8:16 pm. First motion by Marsha Neven and second motion by Laura Wise.

Next PTA meeting is January 15th at 8:30 am in the Multi-Purpose Room