

Eagle Bluff Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 8, 2021
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Administrative & Teacher Report

- Global Play Day went well and was a lot of fun. Missed being able to partner with older classes, which is usually fun.
- PTO indoor recess activities came in time to help kids to have new fun things to play with.
 - Lots of great donations that are very much appreciated.
 - New and used games were great
 - Some classrooms still need some
- For PTO funded games, they may be used for the whole school rather than a specific classroom.
 - Some classrooms shared/could share extras/doubles when the need is communicated.
- 100th day celebration is coming up for Kinder and 1st grade
- “Kindness Day” activities in classrooms
- Teachers equity training on Friday (district-wide professional development).

III. Playground

- Previous work on this had created a prioritized list of playground issues.
- Notes from Janice and Kelsey regarding wish list:
 - Natural grass in black: Ninja course
 - Fix existing bball hoop, add another (lower) one
 - Sand tables with covers
 - Removing of eggs, replace with musical things
 - Throwing targets
 - Magnetic/chalkboard
 - Smart track on blacktop
 - Bike path
 - More woodchips
- Met with Onalaska building & grounds person, prioritized list
 - Leveling on natural playground area would need to be done
 - Will look into cost of moving egg
 - Handicap accesssile swings need updating
 - Sandtables were denied in another building for safety and cleanliness
 - Mr. Dalquist (sp?) will look into the possibility of a chalkboard
 - Hoping that PTO funds can help with:

- Removal/movement of egg closer to wheelchair accessible swings
- Long musical xylophone, drum possibly where egg currently is sitting
 - No need to worry about swing proximity
- Todd is checking on stencils for SmartTrack. Northern Hills already has one. Will only need to get paint, etc.
- Need: cost of egg, cost of leveling land (waiting on those costs)
- Ashley: Can we get family 'donated' time with construction expertise?
 - First step is to get an estimate, then consider donations.
- Some of the funds can come out of building/grounds budget
- A PTO rep could go to the next meeting to get some specific questions answered directly and share some suggestions for donations/connections.

IV. **Treasurer Report (Melissa)**

- Ashley: Katie Larsen's mini grant was denied because it was covered by family donations.
- All stipends checks have been deposited/dispersed
- Burrachos Fundraiser Check deposited to general fund (\$638)
- Art Fund "account" established to track Mrs Bakers Fundraising for Art department
 - should any other funds from last year's fundraising be moved to this account? Will need to be confirmed with Molly/Todd.
- Gift cards for competition for Sarah Delke (sp?)
- Propose report from grade level teachers (written/simple bullet point list) of what grade level stipends were utilized for this year. Great opportunity to show how funds are used and what teachers are doing for students. Also transparency of funds.
 - Lots of support for this to also help to share what PTO does and how it affects our kids.
 - Also discussed the possibility of a simple newsletter to help market PTO and the results of activities/funding.
 - Teachers might also communicate the use of these funds in their email updates/newsletters.
 - Family Update emails could have a PTO blurb too

V. **Up and Coming at Eagle Bluff**

- a. **Teacher Appreciation Week- we have a committee in place for this!**
- b. **Vote upon the bylaw change previously emailed out**
 - May need to consider the dates with Treasurer responsibilities
 - Voted in favor of this change
- c. **Nomination email will go out later this week for all positions**
 - Hopefully we'll have lots of interest!

- d. **Yearbook (Julie Gerig) – orders are being placed. Forms went home and an email went out from the office.**
- will get updates to teachers on who has ordered within next couple weeks.
 - Hope to be able to provide yearbooks to teachers and students who need them.
 - Do we want to ask for donations for families who cannot purchase one?
 - We will wait and see what the need is before planning this.
- e. **Bus Driver Treats Fall and Spring – Kelsey and Janice are coordinating this.**
THANK YOU BOTH!
- Waterbottles with #1 Bus Driver
 - Lemonade packets
 - Chocolate
 - Life Savers Mints
 - Ready to go—how to distribute?
 - Melissa will drop them off
- f. **Families donated many items to EB classrooms this last week for indoor recess. Big thanks to all who were able to help out!**

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Please join us for the next meeting on March 9th @ 6:30 p.m. on Zoom.