

East Olympia Elementary PTO
Meeting Meetings September 23, 2020
Zoom webinar

1. Call To Order - 4:09 pm

2. Welcome- President Diane Murrey- 4:10

- **Introduction of Officers:** Erin Zahn, Rana Longworth, Brandel Aguirre
- **Introduction of Members Present:** Jodi Schaefer, Helena Rice, Flore Flux, Kristi Walter, Kyra, Sue Holmquist, Tyler McCord, Amanda Young Koonts, Jaime Servin, Kaci Bridges, Kaila Bell

3. Approval of June 2020 meeting minutes - 4:15

- A motion was made and approved to approve the minutes as presented

4. Principals Report - Jodi Schaefer 4:10

- Strong Start with conferences was a success. Parents and teachers enjoyed the 1:1 time and ability to touch base with individual students.
- Today Jodi and the specialist team went to a school community where they set up an obstacle course and handed out books to students. A Lot of fun was had by all. They plan to continue this each Wednesday in a different EOE community. Next Wednesday they will be at The Preserve and Oly Campground area.

5. Treasurer's Report - 4:15

- Brandel reported that she filed and paid for our PTO annual report. Yearbook profit was \$240. She also deposited \$77 from amazonSmile and \$31 from Costco UW.

6. Current Business - 4:18

- **PTO Vice President Vacancy** - PTO has a vacancy of the Vice President position due to previously elected VP now attending TVA instead of EOE. A motion was made and approved to move forward with the current elected PTO board members (President, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Coordinator) and leave the VP position open for the 2020-21 school year unless someone shows interest in taking the position.

- **Review PTO Bylaws** - After board review of the bylaws it was noticed that the Communications Coordinator position had been elected in previous years as a board member but this change was never reflected in the bylaws. It was decided to send out a copy of the bylaws (via email, Facebook and/or PTO webpage) with the proposed changes for members to review. We will vote on approval of changes at the next PTO meeting.
- **Trick or Treat Event** - Diane brought up that we would like to have some sort of costume parade similar to last Spring's teacher parade where we can pass out prize baggies in lieu of a Harvest Party this year. We could also make it a social distanced event and have people decorate car trunks. Kaci Anchors stated that the specialists have already been talking about something like this where some of the teachers could dress up and throw candy to the kids. She said she would love to coordinate this event and will reach out to teachers for interest. She and her team will brainstorm and get back to PTO later this week.
- **Fall Food Drive** - Erin suggested that we have some sort of food drive this fall to help support our students and community right now that are struggling with food issues. It was suggested that there could be certain times/days where people could drive thru and drop food off into a bin but the concern would be leaving the bins out overnight. It was then suggested that we could hold it during conference week when people will already be at the school and they could drop food off in the main pod area. Jodi will talk with Patty about this arrangement.
- **Virtual Costume Contest** - Rana was thinking of having people send pics of kids costumes to the PTO email for a costume contest based on grade level. She didn't want to use Facebook due to not everyone being on Facebook. She wasn't sure how to do the voting though; it was suggested that maybe the teachers or specialists could do the voting. Jodi suggested maybe have a teacher dress up contest as well. Joanna stated that voting could be done via zoom voting feature, google link form or a private Snapfish or Instagram account. Kaci, Rana, Joanna and Amanda will form a committee and figure out what would work best. Joanna also suggested maybe a pumpkin decorating contest where we could make a slideshow and then maybe place them on the school sidewalk for viewing during the parade.

7. Old Business/Additional Agenda Items - 4:50

NONE

8. Adjournment - 4:53

Next Meeting Date - October 21, 4:00pm

- ★ **Addendum:** Monday Sept 21 Kristin Crawford contacted the PTO via email to confirm \$300 was still available for her to buy bikes and helmets for the summer reading program. The board, via email, moved, seconded and approved that these funds were available and ready to use.

Minutes prepared by Erin Zahn

