

Eisenhower PTO
General Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2023
9:30 a.m. (virtual)

PTO Executive Board:

President – Jenny Hecht

1st Vice President – Jen Zofchak

2nd Vice President – Mark Miller

Board Advisor – Justine Walker

Treasurer – Katie Heitman

Secretary – Lisa Whitman

Welcome: Jenny Hecht

Attendance: Executive Board, 10 PTO members

The meeting was called to order by President Jenny Hecht.

Approval of Minutes: All

Guest Speaker: Colleen Miles, Upper Saint Clair Public Library

- The children's department at the library has moved. The library will now be contained all on one floor. The children's library has a larger story room and a bathroom. The old children's department will now be used as community flex space.
- If you are not already on the library's email list, please sign up for e-news letters.
- You can request book bundles to pick up from the library. Book bundles are available for specific age groups and reading levels.
- In February, the library will be hosting a variety of STEM, art and game activities on Monday and Wednesday evenings.
- All year you can track your reading progress with the "Adventure 365" log
- From January through March, K-4th grade students can participate in the Reading Bingo Challenge. 5th-12th graders can participate in a similar activity called Book-o-poly.
- Preschool aged children can participate in the "1,000 Books before Kindergarten" program, which encourages parents of pre-readers to read to kids.
- Summer reading will be back this summer, and will hopefully be back to the library's pre-covid programming.
- After all the construction is completed, the library hopes to hold "Eisenhower Night at the Library." Miss Colleen will also attend Eisenhower's reading night to sign kids up for library cards.

Treasurer Report: Katie Heitman

- The profit from the Eisenhower was approximately \$26,000, which the PTO will use to fund field trips and events.
- Current balance is \$55,000.

President's Report: Jenny Hecht

- Recent events and activities
 - Holiday Mart
 - Winter Parties
- Upcoming events
 - Family Bingo Night is January 20th, and has been moved to the High School Cafeteria. Bingo is free. Please bring cash if you wish to purchase concessions.
 - Grade Level Socials are back
 - Kindergarten Social is February 2: Magician
 - 1st Grade Social is January 26: Wild World of Animals
 - 2nd Grade Social is February 23: Mad Science
 - 3rd Grade Social is March 23: Rodeo
 - 4th Grade Social is the 4th Grade Farewell Party
 - 100th Day of School: February 1
 - Eisenhower Extras: We will be offering Lacrosse, Yoga, Mad Science, and Chess on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
 - Valentine's Day Ice Cream Social: February 14
 - Reading Night: Snuggle up and read theme on March 2 from 6-8pm
 - PIE will be holding a sensory movie night for students who receive special education services. The tentative date is April 17 at 5pm

Vice President's Report: Jen Zofchak

- The district is asking for feedback on the proposed 2023-2024 school calendar.
- Kindergarten registration opens February 1. There is also a "Spring Into Kindergarten" event tentatively scheduled for May 17 for students to meet the teachers and see the building.
- EDS registration opens February 6 for currently enrolled students, and February 13 for new students.
- The Band Auxiliary Clinic will be held February 4 to introduce students to the marching band.

Committee Chair Reports:

- 4th Grade Spelling Bee: Katy Davis
 - The spelling bee was a success! Thank you to the volunteers.
 - There were 20 participants. The bee went 12 rounds, and the winning word was "obtained."

Principal's Report/Eisenhower Update: Mark Miller

- The students are all back to school following winter break.
- Several staff members are about to go out on maternity leave, but the district has coverage for all the classrooms.
- Monday, January 16th is an in-service day. On that day, staff will be looking at all student data, including standardized tests and local assessments, to make sure students are getting the instruction that they need to be successful.

Dates to Remember:

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| • January 16 | No School |
| • January 20 | Family Bingo Night |
| • January 23 | No School |
| • January 26 | 1 st Level Social |
| • February 1 | 100 th Day of School |
| • February 2 | Kindergarten Social |
| • February 14 | Ice Cream Social |
| • February 17 | No School |
| • February 20 | No School |
| • February 23 | 2 nd Level Social |
| • March 2 | Reading Night |
| • March 23 | 3 rd Level Social |
| • March 31-April 7 | No School—Spring Recess |