

East Helena Parent Teacher Organization (EHPTO)
Meeting Minutes by Stacy Anderson
January 7, 2020 @ 6:00pm

Attendees: Clancy Casey, Amy Strainer, Stephanie Higgins, Joe McMahon, Stacy Anderson, Moriah Bucy, Deb Butzlaff, Jill Miller, Dan Rispens, Megan Surginer, Valerie Balukas, Melinda Yeary, Braylee Lervold, Krysti Krall, Beth Dighans, Damara King

PRINCIPAL UPDATES:

Jill Miller, EG/PP: Gingerbread houses were fun. Cookie decorating went well. Holiday programs went great. Food drive was successful. Benchmark testing currently happening. End of quarter 23rd. EG and PP class picture day to happen January and February. Kindergarten registration is now open online.

Joe McMahon, Radley: Class picture day coming up in January. 7 additional students enrolled at Radley after break. 5th grader ski day this month. Holiday programs went well.

Dan Rispens, EVMS/EHHS: PT conferences coming up early February. EHHS doing parent/teacher consultations in March. Ski days 7-8 on Feb 12 and 14. 6th graders in March. Friday night ski trips for middle schoolers have begun.

TREASURY REPORT: Amy got profit and loss statement. \$18,412 ahead of where we thought we would be. Cash balance approximately \$40,000. Big ticket items: Mr. McMahon would like an awning for the playground, Mr. Rispens would like playground items for the checkout shed for the middle school and options for big ticket items for the high school (Dan or Amy will discuss item needs with Ron), Ms. Miller is interested in a new reader board or fixing the current one at Eastgate. \$10,000 was discussed to split between the 4 schools for needed items. Amy made a motion to approve, Deb second. All in favor.

GIFT GIVING TREE DEBRIEF: Another successful event. Mindy was not in attendance to comment, but appeared from feedback received by Megan and Joe that it went well. And, Mindy kept a smile on her face!

PTO MOVIE NIGHT: January 31st at 6:30pm. Movie to be determined.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE DINNER: EHHS dinner March 3rd. Sign up genius will be used again to organize. February 4 and 5th are the chosen nights for the other schools. Potato bar was decided for the menu.

TIGER GEAR: \$5,000 spent on preordering. Amy proposed donating the remaining gear to the schools. Look at possible redesign options for next year, and preorder less (if anything). Amy to work with Erika to make sure Tiger Gear gets distributed to schools.

Fundraiser 2020/2021 year: Kick off September 10 and Day of Awesomeness October 1st and 2nd. Deb Butzlaff will be leading the effort again, and we will take feedback provided from current school year to make the program run more successfully next year.

February meeting will be cancelled due to conflicts with parent teacher conferences.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Next meeting March 3, 2020 @ 6:00pm.