

Eagle Bluff Elementary PTO Meeting
Monday, December 15, 2025 6:30 pm

I. Welcome and Introductions

Elizabeth W, Haley F, Erin K, Jamie L, Todd Saner, Janice Solie, Lee and Allison Kashdan,
Zoom: Rachel Baumgart, Margarita T

II. Administrative Report (Todd Saner) & Teacher Report

EB is busy with the holiday season and learning about various traditions in December. We had a Hanukkah presentation from Mr. Butler and that was a good way to learn about different celebrations.

It was also the start of the Universal assessment window. The Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders have done AIMS web testing with more testing to follow.

4K has been having a lot of Gingerbread fun and also becoming more proficient at putting on their winter gear.

Kindergarten is loving the help from fifth grade leaders to help with getting winter gear on and packed up at the end of the day.

1st grade: Students loved the cookie hoopla and they are currently finishing their CKLA unit connected with space with crafts.

2nd grade- wrapping up CKLA unit connected to nature.

3rd grade- Currently doing a CKLA unit connected to Ancient Rome which students have been very excited about.

They also recently wrapped up a science unit with dinosaurs with a fun (Can you run faster than a dinosaur activity.) A few fifth grade teachers wore the dinosaur blow up costumes and raced them. Students loved it!

4th grade- Hosted a parent meet & greet with gingerbread house making last week.

No update from fifth grade at this time.

III. Treasurer Report (Jamie)

- a. November Snapshot– It was a quieter month with a \$100 donation and then minimal spending for Cookie Hoopla and Family Read-In Night. More of these events' expenses will be processed in December.

IV. Past Event Recaps

a. Holiday Cookie Hoopla (Erin/Elizabeth)

Cookie Hoopla went really well. Erin and Elizabeth did a lot of work up front to know student allergies etc. It went very smoothly– morning volunteers were able to get all of the frosting and sprinkles etc prepped so the second session went super well also.

4K had their Cookie Hoopla the day before (Thursday.)

V. Upcoming Event Updates

a. Science Fair (Elizabeth)- Jan 22nd, 5:30pm

- Tables have been ordered from the school district
- Science Fair info to go in folders later this week
- Elizabeth is securing judges from National Honor Society at OHS
- Project set up starts at 5:00 pm

b. Dining Night Out @ McDonald's- Jan 29th, 5-7pm

- We will promote as event gets closer
- Lee is wondering about signs to advertise (3 people would be ideal to catch attention.) What kinds of signs? Elizabeth and Haley both suggested we were thinking poster board (something low-cost.)

Lee also mentioned contacting news stations to get some publicity on the event.

Todd said Nic Ragnar (district communications + photographer) has been informed of the event and is looking forward to it.

Elizabeth will reach out to Heather B. to find out more information as far as what they need from us.

c. Winter Movie Night (Haley)- February 6th, 6-7:30pm

- Movie-We have not decided on a movie yet. Jamie offered to look at what options Mrs. Stolz has in the library. We should keep it under 75 minutes per Mr. Saner (90 at most.)
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- Food/drinks-
 - We will try to get pizza donated from DominoesElizabeth has contact from the welcome back staff lunch.

Help will be needed the night of the event for food sales etc.

d. Conference Meal (Jamie/Elizabeth)- Feb 18th

- Taco bar with sign-up genius for individual items and paypal for extra funds towards the event.

e. Read For The Record, 2/26 (Liz Ziegler)

- What is PTO's role? We haven't heard back from Liz yet to know how she would like us to help.

f. Spring Carnival & Dance (Jamie), March 20th, 6-7:30pm

- Lots of games, carnival type food, photo booth with props, Music in Motion is the DJ we typically use.

Do we have this date reserved with the DJ?

A committee will be needed to plan this bigger event. Jamie is looking for ideas for games, team/group game to make more involved, tattoos or face painting,

Committee will start meeting at the beginning to mid-January

g. Planning meetings for many of these events will be held in Jan/Feb. Email eaglebluffpto@gmail.com if you'd like to help plan these fun events at our school.

h. Bingo: Brainstorming location for larger crowd

Gym, MMC, cafeteria what could we do to provide more space for the BINGO event so that we can welcome more families? Last year even with extra tables set up along the hall walls etc, there were a lot of kids sitting in laps or sharing chairs with a friend.

Someone asked about having the event elsewhere but we talked about the cost that would be involved. This event is fun for families but is not a fundraiser so we do not want to invest in space rental.

VI. Discuss supporting staff (Allison)

Allison is a former teacher and mentioned she has been thinking about how we can do something special for staff for the holidays– could we do a google form so teachers could fill out what they like for gift cards, candy, snacks etc.

Secret pals– this is an idea the school she used to teach at in Texas did.

(Each staff member gets adopted by a school family so everyone has someone throughout the year– this would include teachers and other staff, even custodians etc.) Then at given windows of time, the families get their “secret pal” something. For example maybe the week of PTC it is a \$5 gift– likely a few favorite snacks or something small. Then around the holidays

there could be a different window– like a \$20 gift. Etc. This might be something for us to consider for future years. She is interested in heading it up if it is something we do next year.

Related notes from Teacher Appreciation conversation: We already do teacher appreciation week in the spring including gifts then. Should we consider doing something in the fall? (Secret Pals or maybe just a room service door tag with a drink and treat around PTC or Thanksgiving.)

VII. Anything else?

Bus Driver appreciation– what is done for Bus Drivers? Varies year to year but we will talk about it before spring time when it happens.
~13 bus drivers

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NO January Meeting