

EDISON PTA 2020-2021
GENERAL MEETING (via Zoom)
Minutes from October 13, 2020

Attendees (20): Tracy Ries, Megan Kleinberg, John Bishoff, Samantha Shumacher, Nikki Dolvig, Michelle Farmer, Ashley Nimtz, Kim Neitling, Kate Levy, Geraldine Zahra, Laura Gibson, Kate Skattum, Jen Theis, Lesley Gunderson, Leslie Schlesinger. Scott Rathbun, Gwen Reedy, Kristin Swift, Katie Balke, Heather Price

Meeting called to order at 6:48pm by Tracy Ries, PTA President

Pledge of Allegiance

2nd grade teachers Mrs Neitling and Mrs (Nimtz) Kouba

- present at meeting to give update on the year.
- expressed gratitude to the PTA for supporting and recognizing teachers
- Report on how kids are happy to be back at school in person and have been great at going with the flow as the teachers deal with the struggles of teaching during hybrid.
- The thing that would help the teachers the most would be for every child to have headphones WITH a mic, as this has been a big issue.
- Question brought up as to whether all kids having a stylus would help students/teachers, especially during Math. PTA looking into options as to whether these can be purchased for all students or if teachers can use their PTA funds to purchase for their class if they find it to be beneficial.

Principal Report given by Asst Principal, Ms.Shumacher, as Mr Pluskota currently at District 205 BOE meeting

- 100 day plan
- ~Teachers meet weekly to discuss PLCs
- ~Goal to have all students have 2 point increase in F+P reading standards
- ~Teachers should unpack 2 learning standards in 100 days
- ~Focus on how to continue to enhance the hybrid environment

Officer Reports-

Treasurer- Michelle Farmer

- ~Membership dues a little short of budget, currently at \$1900
- ~Provided lunch for teachers, expense \$700
- ~Paid Storyworks subscription ~\$1800

Ways and Means-Katie Balke

- ~Tannins wine night will have good turn out
- ~Good turn out for Hocus Pocus program
- ~Box Tops and Mabel's Labels ongoing

Membership- Nikki Dolvig

~Encourage all families to join the PTA

~Access to Directory Spot Once join

Programs-Lesley Gunderson

~Trying to do some virtual options for this school year, working on some virtual assemblies

~All after school programs on hold at this time

Communication- Laura Gibson

~If sending something to Laura for the newsletter, Laura can provide last year's blurb for you to review to help with wording.

Secretary- Megan Kleinberg

~September meeting minutes were unable to be approved due to technical difficulties as meeting is being done on Zoom.

Committee Reports

One School, One Story

~Working on timeline, but will be sometime in fall

~Trivia questions will be provided each week

~No event at the conclusion of the book this year

Reflections

~Got back projects from last year. Projects will be dropped off at houses.

~Theme this year is "I matter because..."

~Working on paperless entry options

Square 1

~Ongoing virtually

~Order submissions due online by November 18

Chess Club

~Unable to do this year due to Covid restrictions

~PTA will provide info on Chess master if anyone would like to pursue chess without the PTA this year.

Past and Ongoing Events

-165 Thank You notes delivered to teachers this week

-Gifts provided to the Custodians for Custodian Appreciation Day

-Teachers' Lounge restocked by PTA

-Paw Purr-ade for Walk to School Wednesday a success. Kids loved it. Will continue to work on creative ideas for future Wednesdays.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm. Motion approved. Meeting concluded.

TOTAL MINUTES OF MEETING = 40 minutes