



Eastover PTO Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, October 6, 2020, 7:00pm

Attendees:

Kathy Halonen	Angie Blowers	Cyndi Smyly
Megan Preston	Carey Crocker	Jamie Goldschmidt
Theresa Barlow	Sally Walker	Kimberly DiBartolomeo
Katherine Kosco	Brandon ?	Michelle Callahan
Kelly Van Sulchem	Southward	

- I. Call to Order Cyndi Smyly
Called to order at 7:10pm

- II. Review September Meeting Minutes Kathy Halonen
Kathy Halonen motioned for approval; seconded by Theresa Barlow. September meeting minutes approved.

- III. Principal's Report Carey Crocker/Faculty
Thank yous: thank you to Meg Spence (and Meg's mom) and Cyndi Smyly who helped get the garden ready! It's such a big improvement. Also, thanks to Michelle Callahan and Doriela Taba for distributing the yearbook. Thank you to Lauren Schroeder for helping coordinate the fun run this year. And finally, thank you to Mrs. Gerback for sending out the weekly eblast.
Walk to School: Today we had about 40 families who participated in the walk to school activity – it was a great turnout and great weather for our first time participating in this event. We plan to do it again next year!
Half days: these will be remote learning days; look for more specifics to come from your teacher and Mrs. Crocker in the near future.
Pat Watson was in the building yesterday – was nice having him and it was special for the students.
Halloween: the main idea right now is to allow students to dress up on October 29. Look for specifics to be announced soon. Note there will be no parties this year.
Attendance: there is a new procedure coming from Oakland county; stay tuned for details.

- IV. Treasurer's Report Megan Preston
There isn't anything new to report, except that we have been working on the budget, which is up for approval (see next item).

- V. New Business Cyndi Smyly
 - A. Approve Proposed PTO Budget for 2020-21
Megan Preston walked us through the proposed budget for 20-21: many events will not take place this year because of COVID, but we are hoping to still have several events later in the year, and have left space in the budget for them.
Cyndi asked for a motion to approve the budget for the 20-21 school year; Sally Walker motioned for approval, and Kathy Halonen seconded. Budget approved.

- VI. Committee Updates Kathy Halonen
 - A. Spirit Wear: We are offering spirit wear this year – t-shirts (\$10), kids hoodies (\$20), and adult hoodies (\$25). Due to the pandemic, we cannot have cash or checks sent to the school this year; we are working with the district to figure out a way to take payment electronically. Look for details to come in November. The question about adding a "Virtual" option on the shirts / hoodies was discussed and will be looked into.

- B. Halloween:
 - 1. Virtual Costume Contest & Pumpkin Decorating Contest: a virtual contest will be held on our Facebook page (share a picture of your student(s) dressed up, or share a picture of a pumpkin or a fall craft to enter). One entry per family for a chance to win an Amazon gift card.
 - 2. Drive-In Movie Event: this PTO sponsored event will be held on Thursday, October 29, at 7pm in the parking lot of EHMS. Note that there will be no fees to participate. Registration details will be announced soon; please plan to join us!
- C. Conference Dinners – Alternatives: Since we cannot bring in dinners this year (and teachers won't even be in the building for conferences) we are looking for suggestions for another way to show teachers our appreciation. Please let the PTO know if you have any suggestions or ideas.
- D. Make a Difference Day Sally Walker
This is a district wide event; there won't be an actual "day" this year. The committee is still working on ways to get involved and make a difference; look for details to be announced soon.
- E. Yearbook Michelle Callahan
There are a few extra yearbooks leftover (from last year) that we can sell; we are trying to figure out a way to collect the money for them (Michelle and Megan will work this out); these are available on a first come, first served basis.

- VII. Announcements Cyndi Smyly
 - A. Sign up for PTO Communications
 - 1. E-Blasts: Register at eastoverpto.org
 - 2. Facebook Group: Eastover Eagles PTO
 - B. Q & A from Eastover Parents PTO Board/Parents
- VIII. Adjournment Cyndi Smyly
Adjourned at 7:55pm

Upcoming dates and events:

Monday, 10/12 - HALF DAY OF SCHOOL
 Thursday, 10/15 - Title One Talk (Virtual)
 Thursday, 10/29 - Drive-In Movie at East Hills Middle School, 7pm
 Friday, 10/30 - HALF DAY OF SCHOOL
 Tuesday, 11/3 - NO SCHOOL
 PTO Meeting (Virtual), 7pm

Be on the lookout for emails from school and Eastover PTO for up to date information on Programs/Events and Volunteer Opportunities

Have questions/comments/concerns/ideas/ or want to get involved?
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