

Eastover PTO Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 4, 2022, 7pm - Virtual

Attendees:

Cyndi Smyly
Megan Preston
Margie Turowski
Katie White

Katie Gardner
Charma Acheson
Harleen Singh
Rebecca Ealy - Virtual

Beth Kalusniak
Natalie Finerty
Glenn Wilcox

- I. Call to Order Cyndi Smyly
Called to order at 7:03pm
- II. Review November Meeting Minutes Cyndi Smyly
November minutes approved by Katie White and 2nd by Margie
- III. Principal's Report Harleen Singh/Faculty
 - a. Welcome back - big things coming up in the next couple weeks
 1. Therapy dogs will be coming into the school this week - looking forward to their visit
 2. Math and reading assignments will be taking place in the next few weeks.
 3. The first semester is coming to an end at the end of Jan. Report cards will be available at the beginning of Feb.
 - b. With all that has been going on we have been reviewing all our safety guidelines and procedures.
 1. Fire drills, lock down drills and bus safety procedures were reviewed and practiced before the break. We will have some more coming up as we head into the 2nd semester.
 - c. School laminator needs replacing and the PTO has generously gifted the school the funds to purchase a new one. Sally, from the front office, has found a great deal on one and will be ordered shortly. It's a huge necessity in our school and we thank our PTO for the gift.
 - d. Kindergarten and Developmental Kindergarten information night has tentatively moved to Feb 9th at the high school. More information will be sent out shortly.
- IV. President's Report Megan Preston & Cyndi Smyly
 - a. Pat Watson's visit with our school had to be canceled in December and we are still working with him to get a new date for our superintendent talk. Information about the new date will be shared as soon as details have been finalized.
- V. Treasurer's Report Katie Gardner & Katie White
 - a. Not too much to report from November. Missing a couple receipts from Nov and Dec. Once those are in we will meet later this month to finalize our budget and balance the books.
 - b. Expense line added for the laminator to the school
- VI. New Business Cyndi Smyly/PTO Board
 - a. Bloomfield Youth Assistance Natalie Finerty
 1. Services students pre-k through 12th and is 100% volunteered
 2. Multi faceted program that provides a various number of services and support to our community; from counseling, partnering with programs to provide educational seminars (ie.

suicide prevention, how to talk to your child about tradgy etc), help students get finiacial aid and scholarship support, huck finn camps, adult and youth recognition awards for hard work and dedication to name a few.

3. Need help spreading the word on what we do and what we offer. More information can be found on our webpage and facebook group
 4. Always looking for new recruits and volunteers
 5. Also looking for donations from community and school PTO's
- b. Winter Park at Bowers Farm (Feb. 16 &23) Megan Preston
1. Eastover and East Hills will share the evenings of Feb 16th and 23rd for our school tubing events.
 2. The event is only open to Eastover and East Hills students from 4 - 9pm with a 40 minute time slot and is \$14 per person. Recommended students are 46" tall and wear helmets. The tubing course is longer and probably faster. NO parents are allowed on the hill so students need to be able to carry the tube up the hill and ride down on their own. No tickets available for parents on the school nights.
 3. There will be no rain dates this year. They have a snow carpet so tubing will commence no matter the weather.
 4. 500 tickets available for each night, whatever doesn't sell will be open to the public.

VII. Committee Updates

Megan Preston/Committee Chairs

a. Publishing Center

Charma Acheson & Lauren Schroeder

1. Kits went home before the winter break to allow families time to work on them.
2. Extra pages are available at the entrance of the school - container on the table labeled publishing center. Any questions can be directed to BHSYoungAuthors@gmail.com
3. Kits are due back January 25th.

b. Math Pentathlon

1. Still waiting to finalize the schedule and timing. Will push out information as soon as it becomes available.

c. Talent Show

1. March is normally when we run our school talent show. We are looking into fine tuning the details and what it will look like this year. Information will be sent out as soon as the finishing details have been ironed out.

VIII. Announcements

Megan Preston

a. January Photo contest Theme: NEW BEGINNINGS

b. Sign up for PTO Communications

1. E-Blasts: Register at eastoverpto.org
2. Facebook Group: Eastover Eagles PTO

c. Student directories have been printed and sent home to PTO members that have paid dues. If you have paid 2021/22 pto dues and did not get a directory please contact the PTO to get your copy. You can still pay your PTO dues on the community pass website to secure your copy of the paper directory.

IX. Adjournment

Cyndi Smyly

- a. Meeting was called to a close at 7:37pm by Cyndi

Upcoming dates and events

Monday, 1/17 - MLK Day - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, 1/25 - Publishing Center Kits DUE

Friday, 1/28 - HALF DAY OF SCHOOL, 12:30 Dismissal

Tuesday, 2/1 - Eastover PTO Meeting, 7:00pm

Friday, 2/18 - HALF DAY OF SCHOOL, 12:30 Dismissal

**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?

Contact: Cyndi Smyly and/or Megan Preston - EastoverEaglesPTO@gmail.com