

Edison PTO Meeting Minutes

January 17th, 2018

Meeting Attendees: Jennifer Dekok, Karen Walters, Michelle Heath, Phil Biteler, Amber Blume, Dana Fisher, Julie Mickelberg, Mr. Hieronimus, Melissa Nelson

Call to Order: Karen Walters called meeting to order with welcome and distribution of minutes from December meeting. Introductions were done.

Motion made to approve 12/20/17 minutes by Michelle Heath, seconded by Jennifer Dekok

Counselors Report: High school counselors have been to Edison to prepare 8th graders to register on Jan. 30th, 31st and Feb. 1st for high school. Parents are encouraged to take their child to visit high school and talk to counselors before next year. Tentative date for 8th graders to visit high schools is May 23rd. Edison received a financial gift of \$2900 from a local business over the holidays. This money will be used for Running Start scholarships.

Fun Run - May 16th - discussed route and that city would like this to be changed to around the track. Mr. Biteler is looking for a parent volunteer to help collect donations for prizes and giveaways at this event. Please contact Mr. Biteler if interested! Money raised will be used for the Banquet and staff wellness incentives. Counselors office requesting sweatshirts & sweatpants donated to restock the kids closet.

Treasurer Report: Michelle Heath provided an overview of current budget with income/expense details. The author visit and Images of the World assembly have been paid. \$200 given to purchase the initial set of books for the teacher book club. Discussed bid for projector system upgrades in gymnasium. \$8859.80 bid includes equipment and installation. Voted and approved to move forward with this purchase. Mr. Hieronimus will order and schedule the installation. First payment will be made upon order with 2nd payment made no later than Jan. 2019.

Motion to approve budget and projector purchase by Jennifer Dekok, seconded by Melissa Nelson

Principal's Report: Mr. Hieronimus discussed end of quarter/semester with students finishing semester tests for the 4 high school classes at Edison. Mentioned upcoming dates to remember: 1/25 - student of month breakfast; 1/26 Junior Achievement - financial literacy classes for all grades; 1/29 Spanish Immersion 5th grade parent night; 2/27,3/1,3/5 conferences; 4/17-4/19 - Smarter Balance testing; 4/10-4/12 - SD Science Assessment - 8th graders MAP testing being extended beyond 6th graders to include 7th graders this winter and spring with 8th graders being added to testing next year. Watch for upcoming school district meetings to get community input on district wide issues being faced due the significant increase in

students. Many buildings are currently at capacity and space and programming needs to be addressed.

New Business:

Officer Positions: Looking for Treasurer and Vice President positions for next year. Contact a PTO officer with questions.

Meeting Times: Discussed adjusting PTO meetings to include evening times. Will keep this year meeting dates as scheduled and will continue to discuss changes for next school year.

Conference Meals: Sign up genius for food and volunteers coming out in near future.

Staff Appreciation Week : May 7-11 Looking for someone to help organize/facilitate this week for our Edison teachers and staff.

8th Grade Party: Planning is underway for the end of year party for 8th graders. Initial meeting was Jan. 11th with chairs of various areas meeting to plan. Watch for more information coming out requesting volunteers/donations. Contact Joni Merkley to get involved!

Old Business:

Chill on the Hill : Volunteers and students are signed up for Jan. 23rd and Jan. 25th.

Images of the World: May 11th - Applied for and received grant money to cover majority of this assembly. All students will attend this program.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:20

Next Meeting February 21st at 12:00 pm in Edison office conference room

Minutes compiled by Melissa Nelson, Edison PTO Secretary