

Edison Middle School PTO Meeting
December 18, 2019

Attendees: Karen Walters, Katie Sumey, Shane Heronimus, Emilie Yu, Allison Pay-Crawford,
Chanda Fawcett

Meeting called to order at 12:05.

Scholastic Book Fair

Chanda Fawcett presented the current running of the book fair. It is too much for teachers to handle concurrently with their conferences. She suggests that PTO and teachers work in concert to set up and maintain the book fair. Discussion included how proceeds are distributed and volunteer staffing concerns. Emilie Yu moved for the PTO to help coordinated set up, staffing, and take down with Ms Fawcett continuing as the point person for ordering and communicating with Scholastic. Katie Sumey seconded, passed.

Minutes

Katie Sumey motioned to approve the November meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Emilie Yu, minutes approved.

Principal's Report

-Boundary Committee to provide recommendations has been formed. The 30 members from a variety of backgrounds will give recommendations to the school board by June 1st.
-The overarching goal is to provide a high quality education to all students. 1000 students per middle school and a balance of growth areas are prime goals.

-Spring Parent Teacher Conferences will be held Jan 30 from 4:15 to 8pm, Feb 3 from 12 to 4:15pm, and Feb 6 from 4:15 to 8pm.

Grading Practices

Edison is working toward a standards based grading system. This is a cultural shift from 'grade' to 'learning'. Practice and homework provide a base of learning but will not impact the letter grade. Mastery, as measured by assessment, is the basis for the final letter grade. Teachers focus on a 'learning goal' for each lesson: eg "I can" statements.

Treasurer's Report

-Cherrydale Fundraiser has concluded. Mr Furness had the most pro-time student participation and received \$50 to spend in the catalogue. Final proceed amounts are not available at this time.

-Invoices for Spirit Wear were paid this month. Spirit Wear was sold at the Honors & Spanish Immersion Informational Night in early Dec.

Chill On the Hill

-January 14 and 16

-Parent volunteers needed. There will be a sign up genius, email, or addition to the student permission slip.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05.