

EEPTO General PTO Meeting September 17, 2013

In Attendance:

Julia Webber, Dinah Street, Alice Meadows, Aimee Petty, Emmanuelle Jean, Barbara Kim, Clarissa McWilliams, Jennifer Wolf, Rene Schmidt, Ann Bernard, Karen Murphy, Stephanie Dwyer

Call-to-Order- Julia Webber

Welcome! Julia thanked everyone for coming. Please take time to sign the banner for the Ryan Family for Rex. Time for meet and greet. Moment of silence for Ryan family.

Approval of minutes from May, 2013:

Dinah made a motion to approve the minutes form May, Ann seconded and all approved unanimously.

Principal's Report- Michelle Corbett

Michelle gave an update on the Ryan family. Ideas were given on how to help the family. Wear gold ribbons, a care calendar will be going out, a website: Posthope.org-rexstrong is the link. Michelle gave out handouts on how to talk to your kids in times like these. Staff is telling the kids that Rex is sick and they are wearing ribbons to support him getting well.

Treasurer's Report- Barbara Kim

Bank balances as of September 17, 2013: Commercial account balance is \$159,142.34. Money market account balance is \$30,101.77. Underwriting as of September 13, 2013 is \$85,096.00. 98 families have participated in underwriting and there are 276 families and 68 teachers who have PTO memberships. The summer IEC expenses were \$7228.81. The audit was completed on August 22, 2013. Tax fee day was August 23rd at Meet the Teacher.

V.P. of Fundraising- Clarissa McWilliams

The deadline to donate and get your name on t-shirt for carnival is September 27th. PNO is October 25th. Can buy tickets online. Live auction, silent auction and social sign ups. Carnival is October 27th. Buy wristbands online. Just ordered more spirit wear and will have available to sell.

IEC Committee- Rene Schmidt

Rene gave a brief description of IEC role and process. There were 4 requests for August. They are as follows: 22 unbreakable jar for \$76.78; a rug for the music room for \$752.40; RIT teacher Rachel Howard requested some new furniture. This request was tabled for more information; Jodie requested resurfacing the lower basketball courts and playground area. The cost is \$9189.00 and this includes installing duracourt and leveling the area for installation and painting lines for hop scotch and four square. There is warranty for 10

years. Polly made a motion to approve the lower playground resurfacing, Zelda seconded and the majority approved. 2 did not approve.

V.P. Student Enrichment- Karen Murphy and Emmanuelle Jean

Julia spoke for Karen who was out. An outdoor enrichment committee has been formed. This is to get learning happening outdoors. The second arm to the committee is gardening. Cara Lowrimore is chair of this committee and looking for help. Emmanuelle reported Mustang Mania is October 4th and need lots of volunteers. Jen Kuhn was recognized for reorganizing the science lab. Still need volunteers to label things in lab to prepare for experiments. Lab one to K-5.

V.P. of Teacher Support- Stephanie Dwyer

Stephanie thanked everyone for signing up for volunteering. Had 1st teacher staff birthday breakfast.

Teacher Rep.- Jennifer Wolff

Thanked on teachers behalf for dinner on back to school night. Updating teacher websites weekly. Check them! Need healthy snack and peanut free snacks for class rooms. Make sure you call front office for a special dismissal. Teachers don't always check email and will not take child's word for it.

V.P. of Communications- Alice Meadows

Julia spoke on behalf of Alice who was out. The website has been revamped by Alice. Volunteer needs are on her and updated regularly. Chris Overend got up and spoke about the yearbook. Chris and the art teacher are forming a 5th grade yearbook club. They will help select photos and make sure all kids represented in yearbook. It will be Wed. at 2:30-3:30 after school. Would love to have parents volunteers as editors. They are committed to keeping the cost of yearbook at \$30.00.

Secretary Election-Julia Webber

Aimee Petty is stepping down from Secretary. The President elect presided over a nominating committee of 9 people that represented every grade level. There were 4 candidates for the position. Rene discussed that they interviewed each one and the committee selected Julie Hill as the candidate to bring forward. Laura made a motion to approve Julie Hill as secretary of EEPTO, based on her removal from IEC committee, Dinah seconded and all approved unanimously.

News from Floor:

Amy Ashorn the counselor said that 1st grade girls have no Girl Scout leader and to please contact her if interested. Melina Lowden and Kara Fox are co-chairs for the EEF. The EEF drive starts in October. Jodie is hosting the EEF party September 26th from 6:30-8:30. Jules Elkins, a parent on campus, is passionate about lunch room waste and is encouraging our campus to take action. Julia will be working with her on communicating this to the campus.

Meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

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