

EEPTO General Meeting

Date: December 17, 2013

Time: 11:00 a.m to 12:30 p.m.

Location: Eanes History Center

Call-to-Order - Julia Webber

- Approval of Minutes: the minutes from the EEPTO General Board meeting held on 11.19.2013 were approved and will be posted to the website.

Treasurer Report - Barbara Kim

- Account Balances (as of 12.17.2013):
 - Commercial Account Balance - \$250,679.52
 - Money Market Account Balance - \$30,116.77
- Income highlights
 - Underwriting - 181 families have committed approximately \$125,000
 - Yearbook - approximately \$7,000 from 229 yearbooks
- IEC Budget - EEPTO Board approved an additional \$25,000 to the IEC during their last meeting.
- The Board also approved a budget increase for the 4th grade anti-bullying program “Courage to Stand” covering the cost of adding an additional class (4th grade increased from 5 to 6 classes this year).
- Book Fair - BookPeople donated approximately \$5,000 to EE from the recent book fair. This donation will be divided evenly between the library and EEPTO.

IEC - Rene Schmidt

A meeting of the Instructional Enrichment Committee (IEC) was held on Tuesday, December 3rd. The following items were presented:

- Claudia Carpenter, Kindergarten, requested square counting tiles and jars for Kindergarten. These will assist in counting projects in the classroom. The request was tabled due to additional research to define the correct amount needed for Kindergarten.
- Meagan Didlake, FIT, requested small group instructional materials for RTI. These included a multi-digit computation dry erase board set, 12”x9” write again dry erase board, desktop pocket chart tent, everyday pocket chart, deluxe chart stand and ez store extended side panels privacy shields jr. The request was approved at \$537.88 minus remaining pod monies.
- Michelle Corbett, counselor, requested 25 15” and 15 18” Hoki stools for the campus. This request was for \$4,148 and was tabled for additional research into the quantities requested.
- Jeanette Michaels, PE, requested golf clubs, balls and a launcher pad for PE. This will fill the remaining amount needed for PE. The request was approved for \$414.00
- Caitlin Maher, Art, requested 60 Isokinetics Inc Brand Exercise Discs for the art rooms. These will be used for students to sit/kneel on the floor or for use in their seats. The requested for \$780.00 was approved.

- Jennifer Wolff, Elizabeth Holstein, Laura Wright, Natalie Brewer, Debbie Smith and Jodie Villemaire requested a staff development trip to the Iditarod. The request was to supplement the costs of travel and registration at \$2,400. The staff will attend a 4 day conference and stay for the start of the race. The staff will create lesson plans campus wide to bring learning from the Iditarod to Eanes Elementary. The request was approved.

The total amount of requests reviewed in December was \$8,455.87.

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VP Reports

Fundraising - Clarissa McWilliams

- The EE Underwriting campaign officially closes at the end of the month.

Communications - Alice Meadows

- There have been 229 yearbooks have been sold to date. The sales deadline is January 10. Parents should spread the word and encourage others to purchase yearbooks.
- There are 339 families entered into the EE directory app. Please email Alice if you are not in the school directory and would like to be included or if you or your business would like to be a directory app. sponsor.

Student Enrichment - Karen Murphy and Emmanuelle Jean

- The EEPTO will have a page on its website providing information about Science Day and to encourage parent volunteers.
- Future dates for the EE Movie Night are being discussed and will be posted on the website.

Teacher Support - Stephanie Dwyer

- Planning is underway for all class winter parties.
- Additional parent volunteers are needed for Desserts for December to provide desserts and treats for teachers and staff. A VolunteerSpot sign-up has been created.
- A birthday breakfast is held on the first Tuesday of each month to celebrate staff birthdays. Coffee and desserts are provided to all staff members and gift cards are presented to those with birthdays during the month.

Teacher Representative - Jennifer Wolff

- Jennifer expressed appreciation on behalf of teachers and staff for birthday breakfasts, holiday gifts, and Desserts for December.
- Seven EE teachers will attend a conference in Alaska, in conjunction with Iditarod 2014, that teaches students to persevere through problems. The experience will provide learning opportunities before and after the event. Teachers will Skype and video chat with students during the conference. They also plan to work together and write curriculum that will benefit the entire EE student population.
- The 2nd grade will present “A Bugz Christmas” on December 18 and the 1st grade Polar Express will occur on December 20.
- #REXSTRONG hoodies and shirts will continue to be sold through January to help the Ryan family offset medical costs. Signing up for the care calendar is another way to help with

additional expenses and needs. A blood replacement drive in honor of Rex Ryan will be held at Westlake High School in January.

Principal's Report - Jodie Villemaire

- Harvey Mayton, Interim Vice Principal, will complete his time at EE at the end of the month. Candidates will be interviewed to fill the administrative gap and the selected applicant will begin working in January.
- A portion of the EISD curriculum for math and science is up for adoption. EE administrative staff and teachers are currently reviewing potential curriculum. All schools in the district will adopt the same curriculum for both subjects.

Special Guest - Grace Ingram-Eiser from Little Helping Hands

Grace presented information about Little Helping Hands, a nonprofit organization that facilitates family volunteering by creating and organizing monthly volunteer opportunities for children ages 3-14 years old. Families can sign-up at www.littlehelpinghands.org or by emailing Grace directly at grace@littlehelpinghands.org.

EEPTO News From the Floor

- Lora Ferguson will present a seven week workshop, Positive Discipline, beginning in February. The program will focus on helping parents teach their children to be responsible, respectful, and resourceful members of their communities.
- Neissa Springman introduced her company, iGnite Your Life, and discussed a program that provides cross training, Pilates, and yoga to teachers on campus.
- Cafeteria and custodial staff were recognized for their hard work and will be provided gift cards from the EEPTO.
- Upcoming events include Science Day on January 23 and presentation of the recently completed Eanes Facilities Master Plan on January 27 at 11:00 a.m. in the EE library.

Adjournment

Julia adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.. The next EEPTO General meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.