

# **EEPTO General Meeting November 8, 2012**

## **Call-to-Order- Dinah Street**

Dinah Street welcomed all those who were able to attend and extended a special thank you to the volunteers who took a leadership role and were instrumental to the success of the PTO underwriting campaign, fall carnival, and the fall book fair.

## **Approval of Minutes – Chris Overend**

The minutes from the October 11 General Meeting were presented and approved. Chris will post these to the website.

## **IEC/President Elect – Aimee Petty**

The following requests were submitted to IEC and approved:

- Sensory items for Ms. Corbett-- \$475
- Listening centers for STAR readiness requested by Ms. Hutchings in 3rd Grade-- \$570

## **Treasurer's Report – Laura Clark**

For the current school year, there is 30K in the money market and 131K in the checking account.

Carnival was very successful this year raising approximately 11K from the silent auction and 24K from socials. The carnival event itself is expected to clear a profit of 11K after the final expenses are tallied.

Laura asked for feedback regarding the increase in the ticket prices. Those present agreed that it appeared less crowded, with shorter lines and seemed to run very smoothly.

## **VP Reports:**

### **Fundraising – Meg Propes**

Profits from the Mustang Bags were \$800.

The PNO Event is scheduled for April 6th and will be held at the Rattle Inn on West 6th with a Western theme.

The book fair will be hosting a Newberry Award Winning Author tonight.

Hat Creek has signed on to host spirit nights with a portion of proceeds being donated back to EE.

## **Communications – Alice Meadows**

The directory will be coming out next week. It will be delivered to all PTO members as part of their dues and the remaining copies will be for sale in the front office.

## **Student Enrichment – Stephanie Beard**

There will be a cultural assembly next week and the theme will tie in with the Lend a Hand campaign.

## **Teacher Support – Amy Cain**

No updates.

## **Guest Speaker – Doris Robitaille**

Project Purple will come to the EE campus the first week of January. This program stresses a positive message to kids about making healthy choices and avoiding drugs and alcohol. The week of January 8-11, kids will be asked to wear purple and record their good choices in a log. Project Purple will be celebrated on all EISD campuses and in the community with several local businesses offering to Light up the Night with purple light bulbs in their signs and storefronts.

## **Principal's Report -- Lesley Ryan**

Lesley explained that the teachers are meeting in two Professional Learning Communities each month. Vertical Teams have a member from each grade K-5 in a particular subject area. Grade Level Teams allow all the teachers from a particular grade to sit together and discuss the goals that they feel need to be focused on and how to measure achievement in that area.

Teachers meet twice a month for a 2 hour block of time taking advantage of late start days or utilizing PLC substitute teachers who visit all EISD campuses and take over classes for a 2 hour block of time each month.

Teachers need to be the biggest learners on campus. Their development is crucial so that they can continue to bring new ideas and new methods and new technologies into their classrooms.

**Upcoming Events –**

November 5-9 -- Fall Book Fair

November 12 -- Special Veteran's Day Assembly

November 13 -- Spirit Night at Hat Creek Burgers for 5th Grade

November 21-23 -- No School for Thanksgiving Holidays

November 29 -- Froyoyo Spirit Night for 2nd Grade

**Adjournment**

Dinah adjourned the meeting and reminded everyone to read the Mustang Memo in the weekly Eanes Scene newsletter to get the latest PTO news.