Parents & Teachers of Eastview (PTE) Minutes of November 4, 2013 Meeting

7:04 P.M. - Meeting called to order

Kelly Jatczak called the meeting to order and welcomed all of the parents, teachers and administrators. She provided the minutes from the October 7th PTE meeting for review and opened the floor to questions. Cindy Carvey moved to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Sandy Martin seconded – 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention – motion carried.

Treasurer's Report A current ledger of PTE income and expense was provided to all in attendance. Gigi Bendis provided an explanation of the recent transactions which included \$279.53 Escript, \$64.21 from Niccodinos fundraising through the balance of the 2012-2013 school year and dues. Expenses included \$270.00 for Teacher Appreciation dinner during conferences and \$1.92 postage. Gigi asked for any questions or comments from the floor. None were offered. Yvonne Mundorf moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Cindy Carvey seconded, 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention – motion carried.

Committee Reports

<u>Escript</u> - Amy Spenser shared that Dominick's had not communicated with her as to what would happen to the program once the Chicagoland stores were closed. The question came up about if the parent company of Dominick's (Safeway) would continue the program with their stores in other states. PTE families have families in other states that could possibly participate. Amy shared that she would work with her contact to provide additional information at the December PTE meeting. The goal would be to try to achieve \$700 more in Escript participation before the end of the program to meet the amount raised in previous years through this program.

Citizen's Advisory Council (CAC) – Sandy Martin shared that the Transformational Task Force presented their recommendations and goals at the October 10, 2013 CAC. The presentation was well received. A presentation on Common Core will be offered by the District on Thursday, November 7th. Additional information regarding this can be found on the District's website as well as Facebook. The Family and Community Engagement committee is addressing the requirement by the District to charge rental fees to groups such as PTOs/PTAs which are organized to benefit their particular school. Charging a fee payable to the District to rent space is counter-productive to what these organizations are trying to do for their schools. The goal is to have the District revisit this policy as it applies to these specific groups. A comment was posed to Sandy to share with the Family and Community Engagement Committee to provide more open-ended surveys. The goal would be to provide a survey that has the opportunity to create better solutions. Next CAC meeting will be held Thursday, November 7th at 7 o'clock in the evening at Elgin High School.

<u>Dance Chaperone Committee</u>: Mrs. Nammari shared that Spooktacular was a big success. About half of the students came in costume. Eric Z, who is the same DJ from the first

dance, provided music and entertainment for this event. We are always in need of more donations for snacks and drinks but overall the event was great.

<u>Staff Appreciation</u>: Yvonne Mundorf shared that the dinner for Parent-Teacher Conferences held on October 24th was provided by Niccodino's. Sandwiches & chips were the menu. The teachers and staff were very appreciative for the meal. Delivery and set up went very well.

<u>Box Tops</u> - Yvonne Mundorf shared that she will be starting to collect Box Tops as a fundraising opportunity for Eastview. This is a program that most grade schools have been doing for years. She will be getting information put on the PTE website that will include what needs to be done to collect them and turn them in to the school. There will be a box in the office where students can drop them off. Yvonne also shared that there is Box Top University that helps coordinators learn how to successfully promote the program. Each box top earns \$0.10 and can be collected in 3 ways, by purchasing products and cutting out the box top, by shopping at the on line market place and earning E-Box Tops or through bonus and sweepstakes promotions which help you earn a large number at once.

<u>Chili's</u> Cindy Carvey was able to set up a month long No-Cook night with Chili's located on Rte. 59 in Streamwood. Any purchases made in November would provide with a coupon for Eastview with 10% of the purchase before taxes upon presentation of a coupon as a part of Chili's Give Back Program. Cindy is also planning on contacting Panera to find out if they have a similar program.

Other Fundraising: Butterbraids will still be offered in the spring as a fundraising event.

<u>Website/Communications</u>: Kelly Jatczak shared on behalf of Donna Hall shared that she is working on getting all the current information posted to the Eastview PTE web page. If you have any new information to be added please send details to Kelly Jatczak.

Administrators Report

Ms. Magnuson shared that the students have completed Explorer Testing. A fair number of students were absent during the testing and will be making up the test. Results from the tests should be available in December and can be discussed at the January PTE meeting.

Photo retakes will be Tuesday, November 19th. If a student was absent on the first picture day, this is an opportunity for them to have their photo taken. If a student would like to have their photo retaken, they will need to present the original photo package that they were given.

Map testing will begin Monday December 2nd.

The newly issued State Report Card for Eastview and the District is now available for review. A link to this information is available on the District's webpage at www.u-46.org.

The results from the Library fundraiser are not yet available. The fundraiser ran until November 4^{th} . This is the first time that they have offered the personalized signs and we look forward to hearing how well this went. .

Old Business

The PTE board is still in need of a secretary. Anyone who is interested may contact Kelly Jatczak.

New Business

Cindy Carvey spoke on the Heroin Awareness presentation that was recently held. She shared that it was very informative. Parents and students in 6th grade and older are encouraged to attend. Assemblies would be held at the high schools on this matter. Ms. Magnuson shared that there is currently no plan to have an assembly at Eastview however the topic is presented to the students through Project Alert and in health classes.

Review of state report card to be discussed at December meeting. Any agenda items should be forwarded to Kelly Jatczak.

Sandy Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Gigi Bendis seconded. 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention – motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.