

Parents & Teachers of Eastview (PTE) Minutes of February 3, 2014 Meeting

7:07 P.M. - Meeting called to order

Kerri McGee called the meeting to order and welcomed the parents and Mr. Donner. She provided the minutes from the January 13, 2014 PTE meeting for review and opened the floor to questions. Gigi Bendis requested that the Treasurer's Report be amended to reflect that the \$350 expense noted be corrected to show that the expense was \$300 in December and \$50 for January from the Accounting/Audit line item in the budget for a total of \$350.

Jane Serbus moved to approve the amended minutes from the January meeting. Yvonne Mundorf 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 \$16.17 for postage from the PTE Supplies/Expenses line item, \$679 for annual insurance and \$15.00 for annual state filing fees for the incorporation status. There was a \$366.57 deposit from Escript for January. Yvonne Mundorf moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Cindy Carvey seconded, 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention - motion carried.

Committee Reports

Box Tops - Yvonne Mundorf shared that participation has been low. There was discussion as to how to make parents aware that Eastview is now taking part in this program. Information is now available on Eastview's web page. Mr. Donner offered to include information in the next newsletter. Please submit any details to Kelly Jatczak. The question was posed regarding increasing participation by having a competition between classes/grade to see who would bring in the most box tops. At this time the goal is to make students aware that we are doing this program and encourage them to please contribute. Ideally the goal would be to generate as much income from this program as was formerly generated through Escript.

Citizen's Advisory Council (CAC) - Karen Merchant shared that a presentation on Career readiness programs offered through the district was the focus of the January CAC meeting. U-46 is working toward National Career readiness. This program is implemented at the high school level. There are 4 level students work through and not many students finish all 4 levels. Career readiness provides students a focus of what type of career choices they may be prepared for if they determine that they will not be attending college immediately after graduating from high school. Karen also shared that future CAC meetings will bring discussions on current school boundaries and the possibility of reconfiguring them. Discussions will focus on the matter overcrowding or under-utilization of schools within the district.

The next CAC meeting will take place Thursday, February 13th at 7 o'clock in the evening at Elgin High School.

Butterbraid Sale - Jane Serbus informed the group that the Butterbraid sale would start March 19th and run through April 4th. Orders will be available for pick up on Tuesday, April 15th. Braids will cost \$12.00 with \$5 of each sale going to our organization. Jane is currently working with last year's sale chairperson, Stephanie Fitzgerald. Discussion regarding how to promote the sale included all calls home, reminders daily to students during morning announcements as well as sending home the order sheet. Braids are being sold to raise funds to finish the intruder lock project. Locks are to be purchased for the classrooms located in the lower level of Eastview. There are approximately 30 doors left to be outfitted with locks. Each lock is \$275. There were a total of 496 butterbraids sold last year.

Administrators Report

Mr. Donner shared that on Tuesday, February 4th Dr. Kling and Mr. Kling will be presenting the grading presentation to the staff. This presentation is similar to what was presented to parent in January but is geared toward the teachers and how the system will be applied at Eastview.

Mr. Donner provided an explanation of how to read/interpret results student received on the Explorer Test students took before winter break. The test is a gauge of how your student may perform on the ACT. A new test will be implemented next year. The new test will have a computer component similar to what students now do with MAP testing. The new test will also have a written component. The new test is a part of the Common Core programming that is being implemented throughout the district.

Old Business

2014-2015 PTE board - new officers needed. We would like to have a slate of officers to present at the April 7th meeting. In addition to officers we are also looking for volunteers to chair various committees. All are welcomed. Anyone who is interested may contact Kelly Jatczak.

New Business

Cindy Carvey shared that she is looking into setting up a No Cook day/night at Panera. The store on Rte. 59 at Irving Park and the location in Bloomingdale are the restaurants that Cindy will be contacting to hopefully set up this event. It was also suggested that perhaps we consider the Dog Father for this type of event.

The next PTE meeting will be Monday, March 3, 2014. We will cover the results from the Explorer tests.

Any agenda items should be forwarded to Kelly Jatczak.

Jane Serbus moved to adjourn the meeting. Tim Turner seconded. 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention - motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

