

Parents & Teachers of Eastview (PTE) Minutes of April 7, 2014 Meeting

7:02 P.M. - Meeting called to order

Kelly Jatczak called the meeting to order and welcomed the parents and Mr. Donner. A special welcome was extended to the 6th grade parents that came to the meeting. The PTE board and Mr. Donner introduced themselves. The guests were invited to introduce themselves and share a little about themselves. Kelly provided the minutes from the March 3, 2014 PTE meeting for review and opened the floor to questions. Yvonne Mundorf moved to approve the amended minutes from the March meeting. Dawn Jastrzebski seconded - 13 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 the recent deposit of a \$1.11 deposit from Escript. No other activity was reported. Jane Serbus moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Lisa Medendorp seconded, 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention - motion carried.

Committee Reports

Butterbraid Sale - Jane Serbus and Christi Peblanski reported that the Butterbraid sale raised approximately \$2000 in profit as of April 7th. The sale ended April 4th but orders were still coming in. Delivery would be Tuesday, April 15th from 3:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Proceeds from the sale will be used to continue purchasing intruder door locks. With this year's sale the upper level of the school will be completed. Approximately 30 class rooms still need to be outfitted with locks. Last year's sale raised about \$1500.

Dance Committee - The final dance of the year will be the 8th Grade Dance to be held on Thursday, May 29th. There is a need for parent volunteers to chaperone and a request for snacks. Any donations can be dropped off in the office the day of the event.

Citizen's Advisory Council (CAC) - The next CAC meeting will be April 19th at Elgin High School. Reports to be presented will include finances and building use. Reports are available for viewing on the CAC website available through the U-46 website.

Website & Communications - The PTE website has been updated to include information regarding Box Tops. A review will be done to add any new information and insure links and forms are current.

Box Top - Yvonne Mundorf reported that participation in the program is low. She currently does not have the minimum number of box tops to submit. Yvonne welcomed input about how to make the program more successful. The idea of making it a competition between classes might create more interest for students. Information about this program will be submitted for the next Eastview Enewsletter as well as to promote it in information being sent out to incoming families for next fall.

Teacher Appreciation - Teacher Appreciation luncheon will be held May 2nd. Yvonne Mundorf is organizing the luncheon for 75 teachers and staff. Teachers will be asked to provide their own drinks. Donations of sweets will be welcomed.

Additional discussion took place regarding fundraising at Eastview. Kelly Jatczak explained that the majority of the funds collected by the PTE is done through the family donation program where families of Eastview students are asked to donate \$30 at the beginning of the year. Kelly shared that participation is low. Lisa Mondelli asked if PTE offered an incentive to parents regarding the

donation. Make levels so that if a family donated above the basic amount they could receive a t-shirt, hat or other type of gift. Maybe do a drawing for something that would be interesting to students so that they would encourage their parents to participate. A question was posed about participating in Target's Red Card program. Mr. Donner shared that Eastview does participate in this program.

Administrators Report

Mr. Donner announced that the spring soccer season was underway. Boys and girls teams have been announced. The soccer tournament will be held at the Elgin Sports Complex on Saturday, May 3rd beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Friday, May 2nd will be a school improvement day. No student attendance on this day. Teachers will be involved in CTI training to learn how to de-escalate situation properly and how to handle situations in a safe manner.

Wednesday, May 28th will be 8th Grade Recognition. This will be held at Bartlett High School. The ceremony will be approximately an hour and will acknowledge students accomplishments in academics, sports, clubs and student participation.

Thursday, May 29th will be the 8th Grade dance. This will be held at Eastview from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. This is a more formal dance for the students. Please see the Eastview enewsletter for details for additional details.

The last day of school will be Friday, May 30th. This will be a full day of school for students. P.B.I.S. will be planning activities for students on this day.

Mr. Donner shared that there will be no changes in the academic programming for the 2014-2015 school year. There had been some discussion of the possibility of revising the programming to eliminate reading. However the research reflects that schools with a literary block have students who show more consistent growth in learning. This is evident in our district as Eastview is the highest performing school for student growth in the district. The Transformational Task Force is recommending a 9 period day for middle school students. The students would start a bit earlier and have shortened passing periods to accommodate the additional class time. The day would include the literacy block and also provide more opportunity for learning to students. This recommendation is still under review by the School Board.

Old Business

2014-2015 PTE board - new officers needed. A slate of candidates will be presented at the May 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

Yvonne Mundorf shared that any 8th grade parent interested in participating in the Bartlett High School Parent organization is welcome to see her. The BHS Parent organization is looking for board members for the 2014-2015 school year.

A question was posed about the possible boundary changes for the upcoming year. Mr. Donner explained that no changes would be made for the 2014-2015 school year. Discussions on this matter may be next year but any change would be several years away.

The next PTE meeting will be Monday, May 5, 2014. Any agenda items should be forwarded to Kelly Jatczak.

Dawn Jastrzebski moved to adjourn the meeting. Vickie Kilgore seconded. 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention - motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.