

Eastern Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes DATE: March 15, 2021

Call to Order: 633pm

Officers Present: Laura Ashton, Kristin Harnish, Lydia Potthoff, Jenn Comstock, Kylie Croon, Shannon Jensen
Staff/Parents Present: Biz Ruskowski, Kelle Krcmarik, Sunny Miller, Lexa Ferrill, Lydia Smith, Betsy Powell, Julie Wilsey

Meeting Minutes Approval for February 2022: Harnish, Comstock

President's Report

- Valentine's Parties: Adorable, staff loved them!
- Conference Meals: Last conference night is tomorrow, Wednesday, March 16th. PTO has been supporting local companies for food for staff at each conference evening.
- Board Voting: Next month we will need to vote on board members. President nomination can only be filled by someone currently on the board. You can be in a co-position if wanted. Show interest or nominations by the next meeting. We are also looking for Committee leads as well.

Treasurer's Report

Breakdown

Eastern Elementary PTO	
February Treasurer Report	
Cash on Hand:	
Checking Account:	\$42,986.69
Savings Account:	\$3,534.77
Total Cash On Hand:	\$46,521.46
Income:	
Interest	\$0.03
Total Income:	\$0.03
Expenses:	
Enrichment	\$228.20
Field Trip	\$696.00
Hospitality	\$82.08
PTO Expenses	\$398.97
Total Expenses:	\$1,405.25

Enrichment: library carts

Field trips: several grades to ice skating, demos museum, and Boardman

Hospitality Fri-yay and staff celebration

Principal's Report

- Kindergarten parent meeting was tonight and it was awesome! Had 30 adults on this virtual meeting with a slideshow consistent for all TCAPS elementaries.

- Survey to students in the next 2 weeks on the social/emotional learning that they've been learning this year. We have committed to the Second Step program - 15-20 minute lesson followed by experiences and examples throughout the week. Each week has a theme. Survey will give a pulse on how the students are feeling on this program. This program teaches problem solving in conflict, education, and life strategies

- Goal for 100% participation in Parent-Teacher conferences. Thank you for attending!

- We will be having a spring carnival!!! 5th grade sponsored and coordinated. There will be options for students who will not be able to attend the carnival in the evening.

- Report cards went home since the last meeting. Don't be too worried - we have to redefine what "normal" is. We will provide structure and support. Parents open up communication with your classroom teacher as needed.

Committee Reports

- Star Writers, report by Sunny Miller - All submissions have been turned in by teachers! Just a few students to track down. Ordering for parents will come in the next few weeks.

- Auction Committee

- May 14th at 6pm, adults only, fundraising for outdoor learning space. Tickets include appetizers, drink tickets available for purchase. At the Traverse City Country Club. Gold attire encouraged! Staff invited at no cost. Tickets on sale tomorrow!!

- We are currently collecting donations for silent or live auction.

- Also looking for sponsors!

- Considerations: table sponsorship, extra donation at checkout,

- Popcorn Fridays - volunteers pop and bag popcorn and deliver to each student. Once a month. Laura can get you in contact if you'd like to help volunteer! Usually half a day, but we'd take you for an hour!

- Sitters for Meetings - looking for 1 or 2 sitters for each meeting, must be 5th grade or older.

Next Meeting: April 12, 630pm

Adjournment: 724pm, Approved by Betsy Powell, Second by Lydia Potthoff

EASTERN ELEMENTARY
PTO INVITES YOU TO
**SHOOTING
FOR THE
STARS**

A SPRING EVENT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR AN OUTDOOR LEARNING
SPACE AT EASTERN ELEMENTARY

May 14

Traverse City
Country Club
1725 S Union St

6pm

**TICKETS \$40 PER PERSON | FREE ADMISSION FOR ALL STAFF
EARLY BIRD RATE \$30 UNTIL MARCH 31ST**

**Tickets Include Appetizers
Drink Tickets Available for Purchase
Gold Attire Encouraged
Silent and Live Auction**

Purchase tickets at **[PTOauctionTickets.eventbrite.com](https://www.ptoauctiontickets.eventbrite.com)**

For cash or check purchase of tickets, email
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