

September Eastern Elementary School PTO Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 13th, 2022 at 6:30PM

Board Members Present: Laura Ashton, Jenn Comstock, Lydia Potthoff,
Kristin Harnish, Betsy Powell, Kylie Croon

Staff Present: Biz Ruskowski, Tom Cooper, Karen Nelson, Mr. Cormier

Start: 6:32pm

-Board Introductions

Approval of August Minutes: Jenn Comstock motioned and Betsy Powell seconded

President's Report

What does PTO do?

Jog-a-thon fundraiser is our main source of income. How do we spend your donations? Teachers each get a certain amount per child for **staff start up** (Tom Cooper & Karen Nelson: markers, erasers, 3D printer filament, new books, art supplies and all the supplies that school do not supply) We supplement what the district provides.

Community celebrations: Family Fridays. Fall Family Friday will be in October and coincide with Book Fair. **Field Trips:** we fund 100% of field trips for all 500+ kids at Eastern. Field trips are a great enrichment opportunity. **Staff appreciation** and staff meals during open house.

Celebrate Students: popcorn Fridays.

Volunteering: We also provide parent volunteer opportunities during and outside of school day hours. If you have any interest in helping in any capacity, reach out to us or Eastern's front office.

How to get involved and stay informed:

@easternrocks on Facebook

PTO Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:30p

Read your Eastern Outreach emails thoroughly

Special Thank you to committee heads Sarah Gano, Shanna Girrback, Nowicki

Jog-a-thon Kickoff on 9/23 at the High School Track. Mr McNulty will emcee., prizes, music, etc. Jogathon will be Safari theme. Prizes for three count days. Get Movin Fundhub is our tracking site.

- Jogathon will be October 14 in the morning and should be finished before lunch time.

Treasurer's Report

Proposed Budget Approval

Motion to approve budget: Lydia Potthoff motions,

Nicole Van Ness seconds

Eastern Elementary PTO Proposed 2022-2023 Budget	
Income:	
Carnival	\$5,000
JAT	\$30,000
Spirit Wear	\$5,000
Spring Fundraiser	\$8,000
Star Writers	\$2,000
Roll Over 21/22	34,000
Total Income:	\$84,000
Expenses:	
Carnival	\$2,500
Enrichment	\$3,000
a. Student Clubs	\$500
Festival Float	\$150
Family Fridays	\$1,000
Field Trip Money	\$24,000
Fifth Grade End Yea	\$2,000
Hospitality	\$5,000
a. Staff C&C	\$750
b. Back To School	\$1,000
JAT	\$9,500
Misc. Projects	\$3,500
PTO Expenses	\$2,500
Spirit Wear	\$5,000
Spring Fundraiser	\$2,000
Staff Appreciation	\$2,600
Staff Start Up	\$17,000
Star Writers	\$2,000
Total Expenses:	\$84,000

We have a large operating budget this year. \$45/student for field trips and a larger teacher start up budget since enrollment is higher this year.

PTO funding requests for staff and families:

PTO Proposal Request for funds can be submitted 3 times per year.

Oct 1, Jan 1 and April 1

Anything over \$500 must have a

vote per our bylaws. You must be in person at the next PTO meeting to vote (Oct 11, Jan 10 and Apr 11).

We have set aside \$3500 for the 2022-23 school year for these requests. We may add to this total if fundraising exceeds

expectations. Proposal sheets will be in the PTO mailbox in the office or can be downloaded from EasternelementaryPTO.com

Eastern Elementary PTO August Treasurer Report	
Cash on Hand:	
Checking Account:	\$19,351.23
Savings Account:	\$9,916.92
Total Cash On Hand:	\$29,268.15
Income:	
Interest	\$0.09
Total Income:	\$0.09
Expenses:	
Enrichment	\$561.45
Hospitality	\$935.33
PTO Expenses	\$166.00
Total Expenses:	\$1,662.78
09/08/22	
Submitted by: Kristin Hamish	

Principal's Report

Thank you PTO for staff start up and Open House lunch you provided for teachers. We have had a great kick off to the year. Feedback from parents and kiddos has been positive.

-We got to practice a lot of routines and procedures this first week. We got to practice inside

recess this week. How do we walk down the hall? etc. Jessica Owen and Tom Cooper are doing "commercials" to teach the students procedures.

-We are doing NWEA assessments this week and next. Also doing a writing pilot with some other elementary schools. A couple teachers are piloting a new math curriculum. We started our Second Step program: practice what its like to be a good student and friend. As a building, we are working on having similar experiences and consistency throughout the building.

Hello Mr. Cormier. He is our resource teacher this year

Mr. Cooper: staff and students are excited that things are feeling a bit back to normal this year.

How can families support staff with routines? Please be patient as we work out the kinks.

Please honor the cone boundaries at pick up and drop off. Practice independent routines at home and get them to bed on time. If you plan to volunteer, you must fill out a volunteer form. Please check in at the office before you head to your volunteer position.

Why did drop off time in the morning from 8:45am to 8:50am. Breakfast is open at 8:40a, kids can come and eat in the cafeteria at that time.

Upcoming PTO Events on the Calendar

Donuts with Grownups (9/28),

Jogathon Kickoff (9/23), Jogathon (10/14),

Jogathon Wrap Up Assembly (10/26),

Fall Family Friday (10/28)

Kindness week (11/17, 18, 21, 22)

Adjournment: 7:20pm