# January Eastern Elementary School PTO Board Meeting

## Tuesday, January 10th, 2023 at 6:30PM

Board Members Present: Laura Ashton, Jenn Comstock, Lydia Potthoff, Kristin Harnish,

Betsy Powell, Kylie Croon

Staff Present: Biz Ruskowski, Carrie Bui

Start: 6:30pm

Approval of August Minutes: Jenn Comstock motioned and Lydia Potthoff seconded

## **President's Report**

## **Holiday Events Recap:**

Eastern community stepped up big time. All gift items we requested were purchased and delivered on time! Thank you to all that donated.

Many also utilized Staff wish lists and staff was grateful for these classroom supply gifts.

Student council hosted a Polar Express Movie night in December and they made more profits than expected. They are excited to be able to use the profits for Supplies for their next event, a dance on Feb 10 at 6-7:30pm.

**Newberry Book Club**- Kelly O'branovic requested PTO funds to purchase the newberry book program for 5th graders and it was so successful. Future 5th graders will get to experience this in the future.

#### **Upcoming events-**

- -Student Council Valentine's Dance on 2/10 at 6-7:30p. This is not a drop-off event. All family members are welcome to attend.
- -Student Council Carnival 3/10. PTO will be auctioning class art projects and teacher experiences at Carnival this year
- -Our Wild wild West Spring Fundraiser will take place on April 15th 7pm at The Cathedral Barn, Hoedown theme. Boots, Jeans and karaoke! This is an adults only event. Tickets will go on sale Feb 10th. We are looking for auction item sponsors as well as volunteers to help with the event.

**Tonie Purchase**- Kathy Ferguson thank you for PTO to purchase Tonie reading machines for Kindergarten.

**Project Proposal Presentations (**Ruskowski only presenter present at meeting)

#### Mr. Comier- 3D Printer to make classroom manipulative \$600

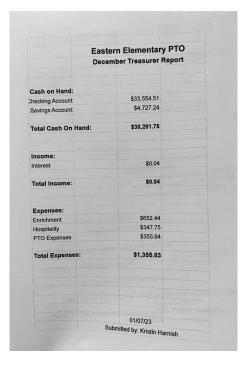
**Ms. Owen-** 4 iPads Instructional support for reading and language lessons. Current iPads in the school do not support the apps needed for reading intervention. \$1283

**Principal Ruskowski-** Ice skating field trip to Howe Arena for all 1st-5th students. \$3 per student. About \$1200 total

Ms. Bui- 14 Ukeleles to complete Eastern's set of 30. \$487 total

### **Principal's Report**

- -School wide writing celebration January 25-26 from 3:30-5pm. The lobby atrium will be set up with student writing pieces and a compliment sheet. Parents can also come through and see their students writing. We could use volunteers in the lobby during this time if you would like to participate.
- -Student council Food drive and dance on Feb 10th. Cookie decorating and crafts in the cafeteria.
- -School Carnival is March 10th. 5th graders run this event and lead all the games. Carnival planning team is already meeting.
- -Parent Teacher Conferences 2/28, 3/2, 3/9
- -Kindergarten informational meeting will be help in the lobby on 2/13/23. District slide show for new parents. Staff introductions to get a feeling for the school. Front office will begin collecting enrollment paperwork at this meeting.
- -3rd grade TAG testing is first week of February. This is voluntary.
- -Winter NWEA testing is happening this week.



#### <<Treasurer's Report

\*\*Staff Lounge Refridgerator- vote passed. Jenn Comstock shopping for 28 cu ft fridge with delivery. \$1500 max cost. Will add fridge donation to the auction list and will get a plaque on the fridge and student will get lunch with teacher in teachers lounge. Update: will purchase from Max's appliances for \$1200 with a free year of service from Max's. 27cu ft GE floor display unit to be delivered week of Jan 16.

Kylie Croon motioned to adjourn, Betsy Powell Seconded

Adjournment: 7:28pm

Next PTO Meeting moved! February 7th at 6:30pm