

East PTO Meeting

9 October 2024 / 7:00 PM / East MPR

Attendees

Nicole Dunn, Michelle Kubec, Cheryn Byron, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Aimee Glynn, Anoushaka Leyland, Andrea Schatzman, Heather Geary, Robin Weber, Emma Black, Amy Roberts, Amy Moore, Darcy Molitor, Cristina Barletto, Caitlin Walsh

Notes

Administration and Executive Board Updates:

Principal & Vice Principal (Jonathan Hawes, Amanda Donovan)

- o Upcoming conferences: 10/23 & 11/6, half day school for conferences 1-3:30pm
- o Fall data: Assessments complete, will go every 6 weeks. All kids have 30 minutes of math and literacy intervention. Meetings with staff to review all students. Urge parents to ask teachers where students are. Many resources available.

President Updates (Nicole Dunn, Michelle Kubec)

- o Next PTO meeting, November ...
- o Welcome to new members: Sarah Flanigan (Kindness Club), Andrea Schatzman & Anushka Leyland (bike/walk to school day), Lindsay Hawley (Halloween Carnival), Lindsay Peters (Bingo Night), Danielle McLure (Sunshine Committee & Bingo Night)

Vice President (Cheryn Byron, Barbara Fitzpatrick)

- o Room Parents: all room parents have reached out to classes. November they will send information on class gifting and staff appreciation

Treasurer (Aimee Glynn)

- o Presented budget to date
 1. Bash within budget
 2. Parent Social made money
 3. School story doing really well

Secretary (Danielle Thomas)

- o Directory update: Directory Cover in process of being updated

Enrichment Updates:

Annual Appeal (Sarah Kuzniar)

- o 30% to goal

Enrichment (Caitlin Walsh)

- o Grade 5 – 10/9 Senator O'Connor & Rep. Meschino visit, 10/11-18 Holly Hill visit
- o Grade 3 – 10/21 Plimoth Patuxet Field Trip
- o K – 10/24 Police Officer visit
- o Please submit upcoming scheduled enrichment to Cristi DeCotis to include in Sunday week ahead PTO emails
- o Please submit photos and short write up to Cristina Barletto for social sharing after activity
- o Ms. Mac will get a field trip! DeCordova Museum with 4th Grade
- o Holly Hill fall is set up, drip line and loom to be donated

Upcoming Activities and Events October - January:

Staff Appreciation (Michelle Grab, Lynn Reisman, Candy Anand, Suzanne Manning, Caitlin McLeod, Gia Morris, Heather Geary)

- o October, stock the break room
- o November 27, pick a pie
- o December, before winter break, cookie swap

Events (Amy Moore, Chair)

- o Halloween Carnival - 10/24 (Kristin O'Brien & Lindsay Hawley, Jess Kirley)
 1. Eblast with ticket sales and volunteer sign ups going out 10/10
 2. 4-5:30pm no pizza, looking into using 9th grade community service volunteers
- o Book Fair - 11/12-11/14 (Melissa Caine), includes 5th grade Ice Cream Social Wednesday, 11/13 – creating sign up for volunteers
- o Hobby Night - 11/13 (Darcy Molitor & Amy Roberts) – sign up early Nov., open to teachers this year!
- o Snowflake Sale (Tara Kilroy & Cristina Barletto) - 12/7 (volunteers needed) - \$1/item, up to 8 items
- o Bingo Night (Lindsay Peters & Danielle McLure)

Community Service - (Heather Geary)

- o Coat Drive (10/7-10/31)
- o Halloween Candy Collection (10/31 – 11/8)

1. All 4 Hingham elementary schools participating. Katie Daley contact at SSH will use 9th Grade Community Service to distribute to SSH staff.
 2. Looking into a feature in the Hingham Anchor
- o Pajama Drive (11/1-11/15)
 1. Tie in with pirate theme of Kindness Club “share your treasure”
 - o Gift Card Drive (11/15-12/15)
 1. Discussed QR code at book fair, hobby night and snowflake sale, offering to donate money vs gift cards so we can purchase what families need

Fundraising (Robin Weber)

- o 10/20 East Mini-Photo Shoot – sold out! Adding 2nd day, 11/2 at Turkey Hill
- o 11/3 ToyBox shopping night
- o November Fruit Center Shopping week – week of Nov 11
- o 12/5 Acquire Good Shopping night
- o 12/10 Buttonwood Books shopping night, 6-8pm open just to East
- o Stop & Shop & Mabel’s Labels - year round, add new code to Stop & Shop card
- o Minted code all year, big holiday push, code will be given at photoshoots

Year Round Initiatives:

Communications - Social (Cristina Barletto), Newsletter/Sunday emails (Cristie DeCotis), Eblasts (Nicole McNally)

- o No update, on going

Teacher Grants (Corey Caras)

- o No update, on going

Kindness Club (Jessica Rodehorst & Allyson Daly)

- o Kicked off – partnering with Heather/Community Service for “share our treasure”

School Beautification (Brooke Stulz)

- o No update, on going

Technology Discussion (Meg Estoff)

- o No update

Green Team (Meg Cragan, Colleen Muzio)

- o No update, on going

Sunshine Committee - (Danielle McLure, Suzanne Manning)

- o No update, on going

School Store (Meg Ruscitto)

- o No update, on going

1,001 Book Club (Maria Kutsh & Caitlin McLeod)

- o No update, on going

Playground Equipment Committee (Virginia Robinson)

- o No update, on going

BOKS - (Josh Grab)

- o No update

METCO (Lisa Carter & Julie Heger)

- o No update

SEPAC (Caitlyn Bearce)

- o No update

Volunteers needed for the following roles:

- o GSAA Kindergarten Coordinator (two volunteers)
 - GSAA - 1st Grade Coordinator (1 volunteer)
 - GSAA - 2nd Grade Coordinator (1 volunteer)
 - GSAA - 3rd Grade Coordinator (1 volunteer)
 - GSAA - 4th Grade Coordinator (1 volunteer)
- o Sweetheart Dance
- o BOKS coordinator and volunteers

Respectfully Submitted,

Danielle Thomas, PTO Secretary