

Friends of EDS
April 11, 2019
Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Misty Eastep, Mandy Scurry, Troy Vaupel, Tammy Kleeman-Dillback, Amanda Bultemeier, Niki Traylor, Anna Palmer, Chris Madras, Hope Staubitz

Niki called the meeting to order at 5.32 PM.

Minutes were presented from both January and February meeting. Mandy moved to approve January minutes, second by Misty. Hope moved to approve February minutes, second by Tammy.

Treasurer's Report

- Book Fair money from previous years totals \$1200, rolling it into this year's fair, then we will have it transferred to our account.
- Staff transition: Kelly Ballard – 21 years of teaching at EDS - requested giving him a \$250 gift from Friends. Niki made a motion for this parting gift and Hope seconded the motion, motion passed. Plan on giving it to him at the reception in May.
- Creating a new Yearbook ad with current Friends logo, same cost as in previous years – \$275

Department Updates

Upper School update

- Performing Arts night is May 7 at 7 PM on the U of E campus
- MS Field day (including 4th graders) is May 21, US Field day is May 3

Primary School update

- Gallery Night is April 25, from 5.30-7 PM.
- Gingerbread Man is on the run once again, who knows how/where he will show up next!
- Splish Splash and Fun Day are scheduled for May 22. Friends has given money in the past for K-3 lunch and JPK-Pre-K inflatables.

Administration update

- School calendar is being updated daily with every activity/event through the end of school year.

Marketing update

- Send in the information forms to complete enrollment for next school year
- GoFundMe has been sent for Amy Whetstone to families and staff of school

Upcoming Events/New Business

Give Back Nights

- Azzip night made \$114, planning to schedule one for August before school begins.
- MOD pizza or Chick Fil A might be options for May

Book Fair, May 6-10

- Debbie McDaniel is coming back to help with the sale. Judith Kunst will be taking over for her next year. Will need help with volunteers before and after school.
- Asking for 6 parent volunteers on Grandparent's Day
- Idea to invest in foldaway tubs for Book Fair. That way, each teacher can have one to place their wish list books into once purchased.

Volunteer Appreciation

- Reception not needed. Looking into giving bumper stickers to families as a thank you!

Teacher Appreciation Week

- Amazing week! Kudos to Mandy!
- Focus next year on people that might have dietary needs
- Niki is an awesome masseuse.
- Flowers on sale for Valentine's Day as well in 2020? Families really liked having the opportunity to purchase flowers at the school!
- Friends bought runners for tables and vase fillers. Mandy has these at her house, can use in the future.
- Popcorn and Blizzards were a big hit!

Spring Skating party

- Party is set Friday, April 26 from 3.30-5.30 PM. Tiffany is the contact person, Tammy Kleeman-Dillbeck has agreed to be the liaison for the event.

Spring Flower Sale

- 25 families placed orders!
- Did include an overage for purchase on May 10.
- Rexings Nursery is in touch with Anna for delivery times.

School Supplies

- 20 orders have been placed thus far. Flyers will be sent home again in early May. Shooting for 90+ orders this year!

Looking ahead to next year...

Fall Festival

- Menu changes!
- Ask families to sponsor a box of potatoes and create an Amazon wish list for Puppy Chow supplies.
- Wanting to rewire the electrical panel in the Fall Festival booth over the summer – need to be able to run microwave and both cotton candy machines simultaneously.
- Cotton candy machines need to be serviced and cleaned. Company that is able to do this off of First Ave.
- Puppy Chow needs to be kept in copy paper/school supply boxes to keep it from getting crushed. Focusing more on the larger bags in the fall!

Gnome Night

- Friends will sponsor the pumpkins as well as staff the decorations table at the event

Family Fun Night

- Add a STEM component

New Friends event ideas....

- Spring rummage sale – single day Op Shop!
- Trivia night – buy tables, adults only – might be a good volunteer recruitment event in September
- Summer volunteer retreat to get a calendar together for the upcoming year
- Friends video? Show what the money goes towards and how exciting it is to be a part of Friends! 😊
- Working on getting an Instagram and Venmo account for the next school year

Board Positions for 2019-2020

EXEC Team

President – Niki Traylor

Vice President – Mandy Scurry

Secretary – Anna Palmer

Treasurer – Lori Weichmann

Past President – Hope Staubitz

Volunteer Coordinators

Lower School – Troy Vaupel

Middle School – asking Megan Tas or Jennifer Braden

Upper School – Theresa Hamby

Motion made to accept the new slate by Troy, second by Mandy. Exec team was elected.

Meeting was adjourned at 7 PM by Niki Traylor. Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 9 at 4 PM.