

Minutes from Friends of Evansville Day School Meeting  
October 3, 2016 3:15 PM

1. Call to order-Hope Staubitz
2. Helen Christian moved to approve the previous meetings minutes, Tara Stanley seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.
3. Jarrin Jaffee reported that the 70th anniversary event was very successful. Many Day School alumni, students, and families were present and it was a good source of community outreach. The Gaga pit is open and being enjoyed by the students. Girls sectionals start tomorrow and Fall Festival has begun.
4. Robin Renschler was unable to attend but sent a report. The preschool has scheduled another playdate. Gnome Night planning is well underway. The evening will include food, drinks, and many activities for the students and their families. The high school will be performing a play in the woods. There will be a display of Gnome Homes in the school. Friends of EDS will provide pumpkins and decorating supplies along with a photo station. Parent Teacher conferences will be October 27-28th. The Halloween Parade and Concert will be October 31st at 8:10 AM.
5. Mary Jane Gibson was unable to attend but sent a report. She has found a nursing home where the extra mums could be planted. Mr. Johnson has also stated that they could be planted at EDS.
6. Recognition was given to Amanda Bultemeier for sending student photos to parents. They have been very well received and are building relationships with families. Tara Stanley offer her support for the photos saying her family really enjoyed the photo they were sent.
7. Bianca Snyder and Tara Stanley reported that Friends sold 319 mum this year. This was a substantial increase from last years total of 189.
8. Bianca Snyder and Hope Staubitz discussed an upcoming Friends event at Escape Evansville on Thursday November 17th at 6:00 PM. Participants will need to RSVP and pay in order to secure a spot. Providing snacks and drinks was discussed but not confirmed until Escape Evansville can be contacted to be sure of their food and drink policy.
9. Hope Staubitz reviewed the upcoming Holiday events. Friends will help provide volunteers for the Thanksgiving Luncheon. Nikki Traylor and the Room Parents will also help coordinate volunteers. Everyone enjoyed having the Holiday Tea catered last year, plans were discussed to have it catered again this year. Bianca Snyder will look into caterers. Meat is needed for the Holiday Party. Several caterer options were discussed, Friends will contact them and report back at the next meeting. Other foods will be assigned by grades as in years past. The teacher luncheon is being moved to Wednesday, December 7th instead of Friday to allow for the leftovers to be enjoyed for the remainder of the week and to reduce waste.
10. Tara Stanley gave the Treasurers Report including updates on tumbler sales, mums, Friends membership dues, All School Picnic, and the Fall Festival booth. The photo booth and chicken from the Hornet's Nest were great additions to the day. Friends will vote on the Budget in November. Helen Christian volunteered to help with the budget if needed. The fiscal year ends June 30th.
11. Hope Staubitz reports that the Fall Festival booth is in great shape and ready to use. She taught volunteers how to use the cotton candy machine. Tara Stofleth will be taking photos at Gnome Night. It was decided to purchase an SD card for her camera so that the photos can later be emailed to the families. Friends will also purchase pumpkins, decorating supplies, and items for the photo setup. Wipe on/off boards were ordered and will be used to

communicate the times and dates of Friends meetings. Meeting times can also be put into the newsletter, on the digital sign, and made into Facebook events.

12. Helen Christian complimented Jarin Jaffee on his TedX talk. She found the TedX event to be very interesting and enjoyed seeing so much participation from the EDS community. She suggests trying to get more students involved next year. Erica Kissinger suggested hosting a streaming party of the event at EDS next year.

In Attendance

Erica Kissinger

Tara Stanley

Bianca Snyder

Hope Staubitz

Rob Foster

Amanda Bultemeier

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Helen Christian

Jarin Jaffee