

PTA Meeting- November 6, 2018
Minutes
East High School 9:00am-10:48am

Present: Angela McKellar, Sarah Belzer, Angela Winters, Rebecca Anderson, Shannon Freedman, Tori Bergstrom, Casey Trawick, Seni Kongaika, Jen Hulse, Hayde Harris, Heather Evans, Mary Catherine Perry, Jody Glende, Elizabeth Florence, Carolyn Louie, Lexie Dubell, Kris Barta

President's Report: Angela McKellar

Angela welcomed and thanked everyone for their service.

Family Support:

Lexi Dubell reported. November 14th and 15th will be Thanksgiving distribution. It will not be the traditional Thanksgiving food. We are expecting 50 families. An Eagle scout, Levi West, will be gift cards and groceries for the week. Lexi and Kris will need a few volunteers to help those days. We have another Eagle scout helping with school supplies in the pantry. They need more volunteers for Friday afternoon in the stash.

Kris Barta reported.

November 20th 10:00am will be the grand re-opening and ribbon cutting of the Stash. Kris has been working with Smiths for over a year about a sponsorship program. They have dedicated \$70,000 over the next three years to donate groceries. Kroger is working on a grant.

Administration from East and Salt Lake Education, City council members and government elected officials will all be in attendance. There will summer internship opportunities and a full time staff member. Kris encouraged everyone to attend.

Angela and Liz Bell are chairing Holiday Help this year. Kris will be collecting names of students who need help during the holidays. Forms are at student services. Shopping lists will be given out November 20th for "secret santas". There will be wants and needs. Names are anonymous to protect privacy. Each family will have a number. Everything that is brought in should be unwrapped and bagged with the family number. All gifts will be collected and distributed through East High School the week of December 10-14. Please contact Angela (daveangwinters@icloud.com) and Liz (lizkbell@msn.com) if you can shop for a family in need this season.

A group in Alpine will be donating 84 gift sacks will be distributed to East students in need. Senior student government student will be organizing a giving tree that the students can donate to.

Budget Proposal: Tori Bergstrom

Tori reviewed the budget. The board voted and approved the budget.

Carnival: Tifiny Reed reporting

Fall Carnival was October 1st. It was a success. Attendance was a little less than previous years. Good turnout by student government. This event is important for the community. Flyers were distributed to all of the elementary schools and posted on social media. Next year we need to start earlier with advertising. There was feedback about having it later in the evening so more families can come. Football families were not able to come because practice doesn't end until 7pm so it makes sense to extend the time to at least 8pm. There is also discussion about having the carnival be on a set day every year and not tied to homecoming week. Teams did not make as much money as they hoped (\$17-\$200). Not every team has a parent that can help organize so there were some complications. The communication was difficult. Snow cone machine was the highest money maker.

Glendale Outreach: Angela McKellar reporting

Glendale has a carnival right before East carnival every year and in the past East was not involved. They have requested more representation from East. We need to continue to develop relationships with families and staff. Student government did a pot luck last night that was successful. Football little league and basketball has done a better job of bridging the gap and now we need to get more of the student body.

Brown Bag: Mary Catherine Perry

Brown Bag: Four times a year guest speakers come during lunch and talk about issues related to mental health. Food is provided and tardies and absences are forgiven. The next one is put on by Planned Parenthood and the topic will be healthy relationships.

New Business:

Heather Evans reported on feedback she received from Bonneville PTA meeting. We need to work on improving our reputation so that we do not lose families to neighboring high schools. We need to have better communication of what improvements are being made at East specific academic improvements.

Upcoming Events:

Changing Minds (school play): Nov 9, 10
Brown Bag: (healthy relationships) Nov 14
Fall music concert: Nov 15
Stomp: Nov 17
No school Nov 21, 22, 23
Midterm Nov 30
December 12th will be teacher appreciation day

Upcoming PTA meeting:

The PTA Meeting schedule will be the second Thursday every other month at 9:00am in room B402 at East High School
January 10
March 14

