

March 10, 2022

Meeting Minutes:

Attendees: Liz Forte, Lisa Devaric, Lauren Harton, Carolyn Lasako, Christina Drostin, Katie Frase, Kristin Britcher, Tonya Skinner, Erin Stephens

### Principal Update

- State superintendent visit 3/11/22
- Safety patrol has started and all kids who applied were invited. Approximately 200 kids at dismissal and lunch.
- Read Across EES started last week. Older grades are reading to younger grades. Will continue for the rest of the year
- 5th grade testing just ended (MISA)
- 3rd - 5th MCAP testing end of April through May with results to parents in fall of next school year
- Field day split over three days (May 24,25,26) based on grade. All on campus and parent volunteers are welcome. Dr. Devaric will follow up with teachers about encouraging parent volunteers
- Trash Can Dan at school on 3/11/22 to celebrate Green Week. EES is getting re-certified as a green school.
- Rock Your Socks for World Down Syndrome Day - March 21

- Spring picture days next week. Not required but can be used to make up fall pictures
- School will buy all 5th graders a yearbook this year
- Conferences just happened and teachers were only required to conference with families of children who were below grade level or those teachers had concerns with. Lauren mentioned that a more universal offering to have a conference would be appreciated by parents because hearing about your child's school experience is always valuable. Dr. Devaric said that next year there could be more universal information that goes out about conferences but that if teachers are going to do conferences with everyone they will need more paid time because a half day does not allow enough time to conference with everyone. She also suggested that the best way to change the calendar is to get onto the school wide calendar committee.

Panera Night earned \$391.00

Chipotle Night - March 15 - must bring flier or use code

Playa Bowls - April 26 (ALL DAY w/ teacher lunch delivery)

Bombay Tadka - in the works

Talbot optimists award for 5th grade t-shirts

- Michelle Mackall will work with 5th grade staff to have the students design the shirt
- Bay Imprint will print the shirts
- Talbot Optimist logo must go on the shirts

## Reflection on Valentines

- Teachers liked them a lot
- Next year encourage parents to write valentines and have them available at the January PTO meeting

## First draft of teacher appreciation flier and events

- Theme “Can’t Mask Awesome” still ok even though masks are mostly gone from school
- Make sure there is a non-food items (air fresheners, car wash coupons etc)
- Prize day super fun for all staff

## Fun Day

- Liz Forte gave an outline of the event. See overall plan document included in the meeting notes
- Katie Frase will
  - Talk to the fire station about fire trucks and education unit
  - Connect with special, ELL, math and reading coaching about doing a special big prize basket
- More prizes for the tickets would be great so encourage teachers to make multiple little baskets rather than one large gift basket (like past bingo baskets)
- Do experience prizes as an option too - lunch with teachers, shadow a teacher, announcements with Dr. Devaric.
- Tanya Skinner will connect PTO to Dare to have a table

- Erin Stephens will connect with state police about a police car
- Erin Stephens will make Fun Day a logo and design all of our letters and social media graphics- Liz Forte will add her to Fun Day shared drive to access all info for Fun Day
- Carolyn Lasako will promote on social media
- Kristin Britcher will create a selfie station/ background
- Connect with Mateo and boy scouts about making some game pieces (mini-golf, corn hole, etc)
- Lauren will connect with Constance from Art Academy about a table
- Liz Forte will create a sign-up genius to gather supply donations for carnival games