EES PTO Minutes May 10, 2022 6:00pm, Zoom Meeting ID: 969 1485 4222 Passcode: 258634

- 1. Attendance: Michelle Bibeault, Lauren Barlow, Carole McCombe, Liz Scranton, Keri Tedford, Brandy Montigny, Aliesha Lynch, Jennifer Barlow
- 2. Review proposed agenda
- 3. Principal's Report Parent informational May 23 5:30 Pm. Thank you from the teachers for the scholastic books! Family Game Night, June 1, 2022.
- 4. Treasurer's Report Brandy. Beginning balance for our account \$8,396.64. Pending balance of \$1595.52 from the scholastic book fair.
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Eighth grade field trip Students will be putting their bags together this week with Mrs Bibeault.
 - b. Walk a thon: need to purchase Bucks gift cards for top three. Donation from Emily at Bucks for a nor'easter of the month for the top earner and then for second and third place \$10.
 - c. Teacher Appreciation week was last week. Teachers received gift certificates for Buck's Ice Cream in Woodstock. We hope they enjoy a sweet treat!
 - d. Playground equipment: Have not met yet but there are three proposals to consider. Proposal 1 \$40,000 and \$18,000 to install. Swings and spinning chairs could possibly cost \$10,000. Possible to start allocation of some funds from school. We the pto would also like to start fundraising for some new equipment. Will form a subcommittee at the next meeting to continue the project. Questions: Are we able to use money for wood chips? Is it more expensive to do in sections or is it all in one deal. IS it possible to have business donations to help raise funds for playground equipment? Is It possible for a group of parents to raise funds for new equipment. We will know more about funds at the June meeting.

6. New Business

a. Graduation: Date is set for Thursday June 16th. 7pm indoors. Pto to do a dessert table for graduation, suggestion to do cupcakes. Trying to do individual items for

the table since there are still illnesses around.. Pto to do an amazon gift card for the MaryIn T Krom award. Lauren to purchase a gift card. We need at least 3 people to form a subcommittee to decorate the day of and purchase supplies. List of supplies and or decoration ideas. Could we borrow plants for the event? 2022 balloons, table coverings, possible balloon arch? There is a kit to purchase on amazon to do a backdrop. Ask other parents who are not in pto to assist.

- b. Sandwich board to be replaced. Possible eighth grade gift or student council. Maybe make it a co gift?
- c. Reached out to Sergeant Kate Cummings of Connecticut State Police. She gives a wonderful Social Media Safety program for parents of middle school students. Possibility for the fall. Possibly think about having an evening event with the Amistad project for diversity as well as the safety media meeting in the fall maybe Sept.
- d. Field Day Date and pizza Jun 10, 2022split field day into two halves. Charge \$2 per student to help with the cost. Have the Hoola hoop lady come for an assembly in the afternoon for the younger grades. Is there something for older kids to do in the morning? Fill water balloons and Virtual skit from Mr. Tomminelli and Mrs Mead. Liz to pick up Pizza for that day for 141 students. Possibly 12 sheet pizzas from Big Y in Mansfield.
- 7. Next meeting date: June 14th @ 6pm