



Friends of EVANSVILLE DAY SCHOOL

Friends School Year 2024-2025 Kickoff Meeting

8/21/2024 5:15pm – 6:22pm

Sieboldt iLab

Present: Holly Morozov, Megann Ray, Amanda White, Leah Miller, Justin Ladd, Elizabeth Strader, Dwan Stevens, Niki Traylor, Margaret Musgrave, Nicole Harper, Donn Mehringer, Livia Houser, Maria Mourer, Kymber Hill, Corbe Hill, Kate Vinson, Chris Vinson, Kelly McCandless, Sarah Jacobson, Holly Ziemer, Angela Craft, Laurie Robinson, Christine Beyer (Virtual), Kerry Sensenbrenner (virtual), McKenzie Lueken (virtual), George Grandev (virtual), Liliya Vladimirova (virtual).

Meeting was called to order by current President Laurie Robinson.

Welcome and introduction of the Executive Committee members and Administrative team. As well as the mission of Friends of EDS were covered.

Previous minutes from July were reviewed and approved by motion.

Treasurer's report was given by Amanda White.

Fundraising total: \$2112.05

- ❖ \$485.00 Back to School boxes. (\$15.00 short of goal)
- ❖ \$1,217.06 Mums which was over the goal amount.
- ❖ \$409.99 Give Backs

Expenses: Back to school night snacks and Welcome treats for teachers.

Old Business/Events in Progress:

- ❖ Meghann Ray provided a introduction on Back to School boxes to new parents. And confirmed that there will be Back to School box kits for the 2025-2026 school year.

- ❖ Meghann also provided a update on mums. This years set end date was earlier than last year, this allowed SWN to ensure that everything that we wanted was available and of good quality. 277 mums were sold this year. The mums will be delivered to the school the day before the school picnic and will be available for pick up in the primary school playground the day of the picnic.

Room and Grade Parents:

- ❖ This year the room and grade parents fall under Friends.
- ❖ Holly Morozov is the coordinator for Primary School. At the time of the meeting all Primary School introductions had gone out however, middle school was wrapping up and upper school are pending.

Upcoming Events:

- ❖ All School Picnic – Niki Traylor coordinator
 - Friends provides chicken, mac and cheese and water. Signup Genius will go out 8/30 for side dishes and other items.
 - There will be games and inflatables and Kona Ice. Student Leadership uses this event as a way to raise money.
 - Elizabeth Strader suggested a sprit wear swap during the picnic, this idea was raised to a motion which was seconded.
 - The Fall Festival booth will be on display for people to see and walk through.
 - All School Picnic information will go out in the Nest News
- ❖ Fall Festival
 - 9/4 Is the kick off date
 - Easteps coordinate food.
 - As of 8/21/24 emails have gone out to former shift captions to find out who is interested in being a shift caption again this year.
 - EDS will be selling walking tacos, puppy chow, walking naked burritos with or without meat and uncrustables, cider and pop.
 - There is a push to have an item on the official healthy choice list.
 - Puppy Chow
 - Incentives for ingredients suggested, stickers, free dress, extended recess. Possibly having kids vote on what their incentive is.

- Mrs. McCandless and Mrs. Craft will get back to us on what is approved.
 - Possible visuals to show where we are on donations.
 - The signup genius is almost complete and a suggestion of freezing left overs to sell was made.
- ❖ Gnome Night - Holly Morozov
- SWN has pumpkins and delivers, Mayes has smaller pumpkins.
 - Mrs. McCandless requests stickers and markers to decorate the pumpkins this year instead of paint.
 - 2 volunteers for the decorating table, 6 total
 - Mrs. McCandless goes over what Gnome night is for new parents
 - Shirt orders will go out on Friday 8/23/24
- ❖ Give Backs – Amanda White
- Hacienda does them on Mondays with a possibility of having a Tuesday.
 - They request that we give them two possible dates we are asking for 11/12 or 11/19.

New Business:

- ❖ There is a request of Friends to cover the cost of a web series offered by ISACS Day Schools arresting body.
- The cost of the web series is \$675.00.
 - There are 6 sessions, and all are recorded.
 - It was suggested that we host “watch parties.”
 - A request was made for childcare, and a suggestion of snacks.
 - Niki Traylor made a motion to move forward with this request and there was a second Margaret Musgrave.

General discussion on how to sign up for events, committees and getting families involved. Additional general conversation on getting funding through Friends.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22pm

Next meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2024