

Minutes from Friends of Evansville Day School January 2017 Meeting

Those in attendance

Hope Staubitz, Bianca Snyder, Tara Stanley, Erica Kissinger, Helen Christian, Jarin Jaffee, Robin Renschler, Mary Jane Gibson, Amanda Bultermeier, Misty Eastep, Anna Palmer

Hope Staubitz gave the call to order. Bianca Snyder motioned to accept the previous minutes, Helen Christian seconded and requested a copy of the minutes via email.

Mary Jane Gibson reported that students are beginning to be accepted to colleges and universities. The number of students using the Hybrid Learning system is increasing. The participating students have given good feedback about the classes. Homecoming is approaching. There will be a spirit week before the game on Saturday. Seniors are ordering their caps and gowns. Upper School is looking into an anti-texting and driving or bullying program. Further research will be done to choose the best option.

Robin Renschler passed on many thanks for the teacher luncheon and holiday gifts. Friends received many lovely thank you notes from appreciative staff members. 3 new students have joined the primary school. The 4th grade has started their state reports. A Facebook post requesting materials has been viewed over 29,000 times. PreK has started their dinosaur unit, complete with EDS's own Karen Meacham as a t. Rex. The Chemo Buddies event was excellent and they very much appreciate the EDS donations. Upcoming events include Portfolio Night, Earth Day, Global Day of Play, and Grandparents Day.

Jarin Jaffee reports High School Experience night will take place January 23rd from 5-6:30. There will be another Discover Why event in late February. Next Friday will be a teacher inservice with Jay Roberts speaking about Experiential Education. He will also be having an event for the board members. Basketball season is ongoing.

Hope Staubitz reports that the budget will be voted on at the February meeting. Tara Stanley will send out copies of the budget prior to the meeting for review. Friends is exploring new fundraising opportunities. Upcoming events include Family Fun Night and the Sweetheart Dance.

Bianca Snyder reports that everything is prepared for Family Fun Night. There will be a video game trailer, bounce house, hula hoops, pizza, and more. The Key Club will be asked to volunteers. Family Fun Night is January 23d from 5:30-7:30.

Friends would like to feature the new meeting time in upcoming newsletters. Many parents and staff are reporting they did not know of the date and time change. Next meeting is February 3rd. The executive committee will meet January 27th.

Teacher appreciation week is April 10-14.

Tara Stanley is looking into having an EDS event in conjunction with the Evansville Thunderbolts.