

Friends of EDS  
November 8, 2018  
Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Troy Vaupel, Robin Renschler, Amanda Bultemeier, Mary Jane Gibson, Cecilia Watson, Kate Small, Mandy Scurry, Misty Eastep, Tammy Kleeman-Dillback, Theresa Hamby, Niki Traylor, Brittany Streutker, Anna Palmer

Niki opened the meeting at 5.33 PM and we played That's Me... ABC. It got us up and moving and learned some interesting insights into one another (claustrophobia, agoraphobia or arachnophobia?)

Sending minutes to Amanda. A week prior to the next meeting we will email the minutes to the entire Friends email distribution list.

Minutes were approved from the September meeting without any adjustments or corrections.

**Old Business:**

All School Picnic

- Legence Bank will sponsor the photo booth at Family Fun Night. The booth was unavailable in September due to the date change of the picnic.
- Positive response to the picnic being moved indoors.
- Looking into Saturday or Sunday after Labor Day of next year – weekend of September 7.

Fall Festival: October

- 12k was our net return on the booth. Paid out all expenses. Slightly lower take than previous years.
- Cotton candy machine needs a better mechanism for capturing the cotton candy as it's made.
- Looking into new menu options for 2019. Misty will find out when the Munchie Map deadline is, to ensure our new menu is agreed to in the proper amount of time. Some ideas were nachos, Grippos Nachos, pulled pork sandwich, Uncrustables, minimize drink orders – lot of excess.
- Possibly create a plate/cup holder for Fall Festival Food

All School Skating Party – Friday, October 26 4-6 PM

- Need to book a date for spring. March 1, is that an option?
- Needed three more skaters to completely break-even – building will be less expensive if we book another party for the spring.
- Good turnout, everyone seemed to enjoy it.

### Halloween Parade and Parties

- Complete success
- Great costumes, classroom parties were terrific!

### Gnome Night

- Lovely evening, families enjoyed it as much as ever.
- For next year, we need to have the pumpkin decorating table officially staffed by Friends volunteers – ended up falling onto the teachers to oversee
- Next year has been scheduled for Thursday, October 3, 2019

### Department Updates

#### Upper School update

- Progressive dinner was a success. Bonfire is scheduled for Friday, November 16.
- Middle School party was Friday, November 9 at the Newburgh Family Entertainment Center
- National Honors Society and Global Language National Honors Society induction on November 28, 2018
- Eighth graders will be heading to Camp Carson on November 29-30 for a leadership building experience overnight.
- Speech club encore night is November 19.

#### Primary School update

- Veteran's Day celebration – 38+ pounds of candy was collected for Operation Gratitude. Letters of gratitude were written in library class as well. Speaker coming on Monday for upper grades.
- 43 Pom Pom squad members this year!
- Cheer clinic on Tuesday, November 20 before the first basketball game of the year
- Science teachers are wanting to have telescopes at Family Fun Night for "Constellations & Cocoa"
- Complete Parent Survey – information is thoroughly reviewed by administration.
- Discover Why Day - Monday, November 12. Still spots available.

#### Executive Committee Update

- Bianca Snyder has stepped down from the president position. Niki Traylor has agreed to step up and a new Vice President needs to be voted on according to the bylaws. Executive Committee will meet and discuss.

## **Upcoming Events/New Business**

### Thanksgiving Luncheon

- Plenty of volunteers. Only needs to still be met are the veggie burger chefs.
- A list of community helpers has been made for the sharing table.

### Holiday Tea Friday, December 21, 2018

- Theresa Hamby and Cece Watson will co-chair the event.
- Asking families to make cookies to share. We will decide how many dozen each baker should bring.
- Seeing if a large coffee pot is available – asking Bethlehem church if they have any that could be borrowed

### Holiday Luncheon for Teachers is December 12

- Sign Up Genius needed for food/classroom coverage
- Agreed to have a potluck lunch – Crock Pots with soup, salad and desserts, bring the recipes to share with faculty.
- Planning on gift cards to Meijer for \$50 each, faculty/staff total would be \$2750. Within budget for this year. After the meeting, the Exec Committee discovered it would be possible to give teacher's cash. The Exec board agreed and it was decided to give the teachers \$50 in cash, instead of a gift card.
- Parents covering rooms for the teachers might want to have an activity planned in case of inclement weather
- Wanting to ask MS parents to cover rooms as well for this luncheon

Family Fun night is scheduled for Monday, January 28, 2019

Darlings & Dates is scheduled for Saturday, February 2, 2019

Teacher Appreciation Week is scheduled for March 4-8. Planning on luncheon for Tuesday the 5, faculty meeting is that afternoon to help with leftovers! 😊

Gala is scheduled for Saturday, April 6, 2019.

Meeting was adjourned at 6.46 PM by Niki Traylor. Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 13, 2018.

Teacher appreciation gifts were quickly created after the meeting – another Mandy Scurry triumph! Packs of gum to remind our staff we are “Extra” Thankful for their service!