

CES PTA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2014

Meeting called to order at 8:00 am.

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance
- 2) Reading of the Mission of the PTA
- 3) Tracey Greenberg made a motion to approve Minutes from 3/10/14 Executive Board Meeting; Susan Barrie seconded the motion; Minutes unanimously approved.
- 4) Principal's Report: Mrs. Haberlein
 - a) Four First in Math awards were given to students from CES
 - b) Cultural Arts assemblies were rescheduled: Wacky Science—4/8 and Step Africa is on 5/14
 - c) Visit from State Superintendent and staff will be on 5/13 to celebrate CES EGATE award; Requested representatives from PTA be present; they will be touring school and visiting various classes/observing programs
 - d) Received persuasive letter from a 4th grade student outlining the pros and cons of school uniforms and the student requested this be discussed; Mrs. Haberlein explained that this has been addressed in the past and in order to institute school uniforms, 70% of the school community must be in favor of them, which is difficult; last time we explored this, only 19 individuals were in favor of it; could consider adding a line in the survey inquiring about the Membership's interest in the topic; the Board discussed this and decided to ask about exploring the topic at the next General Membership Meeting on 5/1/14. Mrs. Haberlein will respond to the student that we are exploring the topic
 - e) Steakhouse fundraiser will be held on 4/28 for the CES Relay for Life Team.
- 5) Officer Reports
 - a) President-Sherry Madden
 - i) Reflections awards: Congratulations to two CES students who won awards at the State level of the PTA Reflections Program: Olivia Connolly won 1st place in her division for dance; Bella Schweitzer won an Award of Merit for her musical composition
 - ii) Spring clothes closet drive will be through 4/25/14
 - iii) Contacted by Florist regarding flowers for graduation—florist will donate 20% back to the school; also donate balloons for the arch
 - iv) Running club: Contacted by Ryan Bergamini to determine interest in starting a Milers running club—mainly for boys, since we have Girls on the Run; Ms. Morris offered to help once a week; the Board agreed that this would be worth pursuing and Ms. Madden will follow up with him.
 - v) Many open committee chair positions for next year; will start to recruit in upcoming EBlasts
 - vi) Teacher Appreciation week coming up in May—next luncheon
 - b) Vice President-Melissa Wanner
 - i) Tiger Trot summary: Attendance down a bit from last year, likely because of weather; 450 people registered; 180 actual participants; Expenses increased—likely due in part to reduction in registration fee; however, the goal was to make it affordable so that as many

families as possible could participate; May need to increase the family registration price a bit next year; Will include questions in survey to gauge if members liked the change to water bottles/bags from T-shirts

--Net profit: \$22,019.65; ~\$10,000 from Race alone

Discussed possible change for next year: consider having Casino Night in Fall and break up the Silent Auction/baskets from the night before Tiger Trot to include at the Casino Night; also initially when Tiger Trot first started, there was no Spaghetti dinner—takes much effort for little profit; consider having packet pick-up morning of race/only race and not having the event the night before; Could have a fun/health day on the day of the race with other Vendors

- c) Treasurer-Susan Merkel was absent
- d) Secretary-Melissa Schweitzer
 - i) Annual Survey Discussion; reviewed proposed questions; goal is to start Survey beginning of May and run for 2 weeks; will use survey Monkey again

Next Executive Board Meeting on Monday, 5/5/14 at 8:00 AM