

PTO BOARD MEMBERS:

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PTO MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday
September 6, 2016

Welcome:

At 6:01 Julie Pendegraft welcomed those in attendance and introduced Principal Luebbe and EPS Superintendent Mr. Steve Baker.

Mr. Baker then gave a presentation and Q&A covering the following points:

* Boundaries stating that new boundaries have not been set and no information have been given at this time. He then discussed EPS's current boundaries (which cover approx. 48 sq miles) to the new families in the EPS family.

* Enrollment- 2016 enrollment is up 600 students alone this year.

Elkhorn grew more than 170 school districts in NE we are the 7th largest school district. Enrollment has doubled in ten years. (Up 7%) Elkhorn is currently at 7,815 students and after preschool is added it will be over 8k.

Mr. Baker than went on to state that we are the 6th lowest spending district in the state of NE. Per pupil spending 2014-2015 \$9,902.47

* Future school planning: Third HS? When? What other schools? How much \$ (60mil for HS) Location? Boundaries?

EPS tentative Plans are that we need:

19 Elementary schools, (Current 11)

7 Middle schools, (Current 4)

4 High schools. (Current 2)

Mr. Baker closed taking a few questions from some parents in attendance then requested all others to please send questions to: info@epsne.org to Jan Anderson.

Principal Report:

Mr. Luebbe presented the principal's report. Mr. Luebbe introduced himself and discussed upcoming events along with a handout for Sept- Oct PTO events.

*Mid quarter reports are Sept 14th as the first half of the first quarter starts coming to an end.

*First grade has a field trip coming. Battle of the books sign ups due this Friday (Sept 9th)

*Month of October will be busy- Outdoor ED for 5th graders to camp Kitaki, Parent/teacher conferences Oct 18-19

Halloween party will be on Halloween - So far - but may be subject to change. Trunk or treat will be the

Friday previous.

*New staff. K teacher: Ms Killeen

4th teachers : Ms Christenson and Ms Bull

Specialists: Full time, Mr Smith, Ms Kempke and Ms Kelly

We have added a few TAs this year to help around the school: Ms Kortan, Ms Petersen, and Mrs Thompson

*Guidance: Ms Champion is half and half with West Bay Elementary and Skyline.

*Enrollment: Skyline has grown up to 444 kids compared to last years 341.

*Health Screenings: Mrs Kohnekamp is the new school nurse and is at the school Tuesdays/Thursdays. Health screenings are coming up on Oct 17th. We are looking for about 20 volunteers for the morning. Sign up genius will be sent out to sign up children for the screenings.

*Womenade starting Oct 7th, looking for volunteers for a Women's clothing drive. Will be accepting clothing Oct 17- Oct 20th. Take to ANY EPS School for drop off.

Finally Mr Luebbe thanked everyone in attendance and spoke about the giving tree, thanked everyone for all the past attendance and help for the beginning of the school year events.

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PTO Board took time to introduce themselves. Julie Pendegraft will be the 2016/2017 President, Michelle Epstein will serve as the Vice President, Diane Rogers will serve as the Community Liaison, Amy Marsh as Treasurer, and Jennifer Ridenour as Secretary.

Treasurer report:

Amy Marsh handed out the finance reported. The biggest expenditure we have thus far is the new bench to sit out front. Bench was approved last season.

Motion to approve the finance report by Jen Rutar, Ashley Bedland seconded

Apparel committee:

Karen Little stated that Today was the last day to order any apparel. Orders go in tomorrow and will be in by Sept 23.

Stallion Stomp:- Sept 23, 2016

Handouts for the stomp will be this Friday.

Back to the 90s is the theme. There will be a teacher vs Student competition. Chick Fil A will be catered in. Donations will be \$25

We need a few more raffle prizes if anyone has ideas.

Mr Smith, Skyline Music teacher, discussed how great the year has started out

Jonie Stuerk asked about room parent and room committee sign ups. Will there be any? Katie Foster chair of classroom volunteers stated that she has the list and will email all the room coordinators this week.

Julie Pendegraft reminded all that Friday the 9th is the last day for the giving tree; please have everything in by then.

Conclusion:

6:59 pm Julie Pendegraft requested to motion to adjourn the meeting
Jen Rutar motioned
Josephine Bilek seconded

Meeting adjourned 7:00pm

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Ridenour