



Eli Terry PTO Meeting Notes

March 20, 2023

Meeting called to order: 7:02 pm

Attendees: Board Members-Beckah, Melissa, Allison, Kathryn, Katlyn, Rachel.
Mr. Kenyon, Teachers, and Parents

Motion to Approve Minutes from November and January Meetings: Approved

Principal Report:

Thankful Thursday-Mr. Kenyon and the team are so thankful for the monetary help with Thankful Thursdays!

Author, Sarah Weeks visited on Tuesday. There were 3 assemblies and she adjusted her talk track to each group she spoke with. The kids and teachers enjoyed listening to Sarah and were inspired. Since the assemblies were such a success, there is interest in bringing in another author next year. PTO made this author visit possible.

Kindergarten Observations- We had our first grouping of evaluations for children that do not meet the new kindergarten cut off based on the new CT eligibility rule. During this time, PTO was mentioned in hopes to add new parents to the PTO. We expect around 80 kindergarteners next year.

National Terrier Day- We will celebrate on March 27th. We ask everyone to wear Eli Terry Colors and/or outfits with "Dogs" on them. There will be games, prizes, and more. We also will have a pet supply drive from 3/25-3/28 for the TRACS shelter in town.

Past Events:

- **Book Fair 2/26-3/1 (Alison)** The fair was very successful, but there were lots of obstacles as well. We sold (all cash, eWallets, credit cards) about \$11,200...up there with previous fairs. We'll be getting \$5591.15 in Scholastic Dollars back. Allison spent \$1220 for the book bags for teachers, items for the library, and paws raffles in days leading up to the event.
- **Leap Day Frogs (2/27) (Allison)** There was limited feedback, but the feedback was positive. Mr. Kenyon added that the teachers and students enjoyed the frogs.

Current/Upcoming Event:

- **Spirit Week 3/8/-3/22 (Kathryn)** The sale is going well, we are already close to meeting our goal. We have one more week to go before the sale closes.
- **Ice Skating 3/24 (Melissa)** We are so excited about this event, it's the first time we have ever had an event like this! We will have to do two waves to ensure that everyone can rent skates. If people have their own skates they can skate the whole time.

- **Spring Fling 4/19 (Katlyn)** This is an event to build community among the parents and teachers/staff. It is an adult-only event. We will have heavy appetizers, drinks, and a cash bar. Adults must register by April 1st. Teachers and staff can register by emailing the PTO email box.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week 5/6-5/10 (Kathryn)** We are planning a week of events. We are bringing back some of the favorites from the past and adding some new items. Please reach out to Kathryn if you are interested in helping.
- **Fun Run 5/17 (Melissa)**- Once we get back from April vacation, she will send out more information about the event. One change is that we will not have weekly classroom winners. If you are interested in helping secure raffle prizes, please let Melissa know.
- **Yard Goats Game May 31st (Allison)** Communication about the event is planned for right after April Break.
- **End of the Year Picnic Thursday, June 13 (Melissa)**- The picnic will be on Thursday, regardless if the last day is Thursday or Friday. We feel we will get better attendance. We will also have a Dunk Tank- Teachers and Staff can sign up to be in the Dunk Tank. We will have an ice cream truck- and everyone will get a ticket for a free ice cream treat.

Other:

- **Eli Terry Cookbook (Liz Conyers/Allison)**- No update at this time- Mr. Kenyon will check on this
- **5th Grade Committee**- The Committee is waiting on the confirmation of the last day of school and TE graduation to plan their JUNE FUN days, and VMP visit.
- **PTO Elections**- We will use the same process as last year. We will announce the Board Positions with the position descriptions on April 5th. Interested parties need to complete the Board Interest Google Form by April 19th. If we need to go to a vote that will be completed by April 26th and the new board members will be finalized on May 10th. The general PTO meeting is May 15th where the roles will be transferred to the new Board. Beckah will run the elections since she will not be on the board next year.

We will release a one-pager that describes all the roles via the school newsletter. Please reach out to the current board members to learn about the positions. All positions are open this year since the current board has all been in their current position for the maximum amount of time per our bylaws. If no one is interested in filling one of the board seats a current board member can resume their role.

Treasury Report: (Allison) The Treasury Report is finalized through February:

Revenue spotlights: We have had a couple of fundraisers, interest from bank account, and box top rewards.

Expense spotlights: Ice cream social, purchased books from Author Sarah Weeks for the library, Nacho Bar for the Staff, Badges for PTO volunteers, Storage fee, Thankful Thursday items, and we contributed to scholarships.

Notable Updates
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\$41,014.12 Current balance
\$4,099.31 5th grade
\$36,914.81 PTO balance

Revenue Updates

Description	Amount
The Paper Store	\$272.80
Red Robin	\$110.09
Company Match	\$100.00
Box Tops	\$38.30
Interest	\$8.72
TOTAL	\$529.91

YTD	Revenue
\$173.15	July/August/Sept
\$721.57	Oct/Nov/Dec
\$529.91	Jan/Feb
\$1,424.63	

Expense Updates

Description	Actual
Storage Sense	\$768.00
SWHS Operation Graduation	\$500.00
Ice cream social	\$487.52
Sarah Weeks book donation	\$420.25
Mexicali - Sunshine Committee	\$400.00
Spring Fling deposit	\$250.00
Fun Run incentive deposit	\$200.00
PTO Board/Volunteer badges & lanyards	\$144.69
Thankful Thursday gift cards	\$100.00
Leap day frogs	\$80.80
Book fair supplies	\$79.24
Service charge	\$9.00
Printer paper for Treasurer	\$8.72
TOTAL	\$3,448.22

YTD	Expense
\$6,661.28	July/August/Sept
\$10,902.81	Oct/Nov/Dec
\$3,448.22	Jan/Feb
\$21,012.31	

Adjourn: 7:56

Prepared by: Kathryn Army, Secretary