

EKHLA PTO General Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2021 @ 8:30 am via Google Meet

1. Call to Order – President Brianna Eilers
2. School Representative – Q&A - Mrs. Jawanda
 - A. Chrystal - Are we having the Winter Program this year? She has not heard anything yet. She can ask at the next admin meeting.
 - B. Chrystal - Fun Run prizes - what days? Usually day before Thanksgiving break so November 19 - but will confirm
 - C. Eartha - a lot of discussion on Facebook about people turning left out of school parking lot - she thinks the people turning left are not the ones reading the Facebook page - Mrs. Jawanda will bring up at meeting and maybe they can send out another reminder email - maybe have an adult standing out there - but that was dangerous for the parent
 - D. Crosswalk painting where kids cross? - bring that up too - new stop signs and they have teachers - she feels it's pretty secure - stop right where the cement starts
3. President's Report – Brianna Eilers
 - A. No report
4. Treasurer's Report – Amber Liddell Always
 - A. Current Checking balance is \$6,631.50 - \$133.16 transferring from PayPal
 - a. Brianna - she got a cash payment for dues and will get to Amber
 - B. Current Savings balance is \$350.01
5. Communications Report – Jude Morin & Eartha Powell
 - A. Directory! - Administration willing to forward a form link to all families so we can proceed with a family directory this year. Everyone will have the option to participate. We are collecting parent name and contact info for 2 parents. Then up to 4 children we're collecting First name, last name, grade - teacher. If they need to add more students they can reach out on the Contact Us. We are already working on it and will send out a link to the form ASAP. Our plan is to send out the link through individual teachers with their Friday newsletter. Any questions/concerns need to be directed to PTO - the school is not involved. Mrs. Jawanda clarified that the school will send out a link to the PTO website where we will have a link to the Google form for parents to fill out if they want to be included in the directory.
6. Fundraising Report – Chrystal Garcia & Valerie Fuller
 - A. Tuesday, November 16 - PTO Night @ Blanco BBQ - fun for all EKHLA families to gather and kids to play outside - a percentage will go back to PTO - there's a drive-thru too
 - B. Brianna - there's another fundraising idea in the works - we're working with admin for approval before we advertise
7. BINGO Report – Elizabeth Ydrogo (not present)
 - A. Nothing to report
8. Membership Report - Jess Oley & Amanda Lozano
 - A. Room Reps/PTO Liaisons update
 - a. Information packet went out to room rep volunteers
 - b. Compiling teacher favorites lists
 - c. There are still a few openings - Kinder C, 4A & B, and 6 & 7 still open

- d. Our hope is that room reps communicate with parents and encourage PTO membership
9. Committee Reports
- A. Teacher Appreciation – currently no chair(s) - looking for chairs
 - a. THANKSgiving Teacher Treat - Pies/Breads for teachers/staff to take home over the holiday. Homemade or store-bought - then teachers get to pick what to take home - set up in break room - Monica please ask for non-dairy, kosher to be included - Heather - just waiting on final admin approval and we will send out signup genius
 - b. Holiday Luncheon - Joe Hernandez has volunteered to coordinate a luncheon for teachers and staff before Winter Break. Quick grab & go since it is during the school day. They're working with the school to see what works best. Possibly use Linda Wolf who does Kosher catering so everyone is included. He might reach out to PTO for volunteers if needed or for decorations.
 - B. Red Ribbon Week - Monica Lizka-Miller & Heather Henke Rosenblatt
 - a. All students created a self-portrait and they were hung in the hallways in a Drug Free Looks Like Me Gallery. **THANK YOU to all parents who came to hang self-portraits!**
 - b. Teachers gave out a desk pet prize to one student/day and read a RRW blurb
 - c. We had a week of fun dress themes for student and teachers - teachers and students enjoyed that
 - d. **THANK YOU to Chrystal Garcia and her family for tying red ribbons on campus!**
 - C. Health Fair - Brijal Patel, Brianna Eilers, & Marissa Harris
 - a. Both presenters had fun active presentations for our students. San Antonio Food Bank gave a great presentation to K-6 students on balanced meals and had goodies for students to pick from. The American Heart Association gave an interactive presentation to 7 & 8 graders on hands-free CPR
 - b. **THANK YOU to representatives from the San Antonio Food Bank & American Heart Association for presenting to our students!**
 - D. EKHLA's Fun Run
 - a. **THANK YOU to all of the PTO volunteers!**
10. Adjournment – Vice President Brijal Patel