

March 10,2021 Eisenhower Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

PTO President – Linda Mango

PTO Vice President - Lori Fisch Romano

PTO Treasurer – Caryn Block

PTO Secretary - Nicole Watson

Vice Principal – Mrs. Swaim

Vice Principal's Report:

- The students were very happy to be back to a five-day week. Kids are finally warming up to being back in school and interaction with the teachers has increased. In the beginning the kids were silent in class.
- Ms. Blewitt is still collecting photos for the eighth-grade slide show. It has been posted as a reminder on the Facebook page along with eighth grade announcements. If there are pictures missing, we will reach out to the families so no one is left out.
- There was some technical confusion regarding ninth grade scheduling. The deadline may be pushed back. High school guidance counselors will meet with the eighth graders again to review choosing electives. They need to pick two electives and have a back up in mind in case the class is full. They do not need to input their back up. World language defaults, so no need to select unless there is a change. Performing arts such as band is considered an elective.
- Saturday support secessions have begun at EMS. Lincoln Roosevelt attends as well. It was set up for kids that were recognized by the district of being in need of extra in person help. The teachers were involved in identifying these individuals. Some virtual students had their first experience inside the building and interacting with teachers. The program is funded by the Community School. It went very smoothly and worked out well for those that took advantage of the program.
- Basketball has wrapped up. The girls won their last game and parents got to come to the game. Wrestling practice has just begun. Track will begin soon, just figuring out where they will practice.
- Considering ordering planners for the students next year. It is in the PTO budget to purchase for the students. It was also questioned how the use of the planner would be presented by the teachers. This will be looked into.

Pto:

Lori Romano, Vice President

- Possibility for a spring Kona Ice event. Looking into doing it at Horseshoe Lake.

Caryn Block, Treasurer

- Ella Wink Scholarship, check will be made for \$200.00. Linda Mango volunteered to help review essays.
- Treasurer position is still open for next year.
- Planning for about \$320.00 for teacher breakfast during teacher appreciation week. Tentative date is May 5th.

Open Floor Questions

- Can we organize a drone to take a class picture? This will be looked into.
- What will Set Up look like and the date? A possible date for step up is June 23rd . It is unsure what it will look like but every effort is being made to make it an in-person event.
- Will there be an 8th grade sign sale? The PTO agreed to do the signs again as a fundraiser. Orders do not need to be taken until the end of May.

Upcoming Meetings

April 14th , May 12th , June 2nd