

**PTO Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 4, 2014**  
**6:30 pm, ERS Library**

**President:** Meeting brought to order at 6:37pm

- Welcome and introduction of the Board
- May minutes approved
- The PTO asked families for donations in lieu of Entertainment Books/ Giving Studio; \$2,000 received.
- PTO will review the Entertainment Book drive to plan for next year; for those not buying a book, please return it because the PTO gets charged for all books not sold.

**Vice Presidents -**

**Committee Reports:**

- Committee Chairs and volunteers are still needed; if interested, please see Elena T. or Shelly M. Most committees have binders of how to run the event, so you will have guidance and support from the board!
- *Septemberfest* – is 9/11, 5-7pm; Chairs are finalizing plans, good on volunteers
- *BuzzBook* – is printing the week of 9/8, and will be sent home the week of 9/15
- *Facebook* – PTO will try to post a lot of info on ERSPTO page this year. This is a closed group, so if you are not a member, send a request to the Board. Anyone who requests access will be verified through BuzzBook; until that is printed, requests will be verified by teachers.
- *Room parents* – Amy Gerlach is planning a meeting for all room parents.
- *Trunk or Treat* – outgoing Chair returned the binder to Elena T.

**Treasurer:** Treasurer Report

- Teachers grants awarded (\$7,900)
- New budget year is 6/1- 5/30 to be in line with District PTO Umbrella
- 2014-2015 Budget approved – Entertainment Book & Giving Studio profits reduced; Music Dept requested recorders for 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade; Original Works & Book Fair profits set (75% Art/25% PTO, 75% Library/25% PTO)
- Project for the year is to provide \$\$ for ipad minis for the teachers (30 teachers = \$8,400)

**Principal & Faculty Report:**

- Welcomed new teachers, cook, crossing guard, custodial supervisor
- Transfers: Brenda Wright moved into librarian, Shayla Pott is new gifted teacher
- All Security Improvement Committee are complete (deadbolts on classroom doors)
- Buzzers at front and side doors with monitors (for Adv Club, Lynne Christmaa, Dr. Retzlaff)
- Circle Drive safety is moving along nicely; request that people not be on cell phones
- Food at School Committee is moving along nicely
- Music Makers did a fabulous job at the Cardinals game this year
- Picture Day is Wed, 9/10
- Michael H. expressed gratitude from teacher s for teacher grant

**Old Business:**

PTO wrote/received a grant for ERS Yard signs. Printing delays prevented signs to be given to kindergarten families; PTO will give signs to families that enroll during the year and to kindergarten families next year.

**New Business** – Funds for music department approved (during budget vote)

**Miscellaneous** - Attendance drawing held

**Next Meeting** – October 9, Dr. Riss will be a guest speaker

Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm