

EMS PTO Meeting January 12, 2016

President's Report

Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report

Tammy Snoke reported that we received 2 checks (Dezine line and Box Tops), giving us a new balance of \$10,846.42.

Liz Fleming wasn't able to attend the meeting.

Principal's Report

Mr. Miller's newsletter will come out soon.

Guidance is going to assist 8th graders with schedule for next year. They will start on Wed., Jan 20.

Mr. Miller is on the interview committee for the new Assistant Superintendent. Interviews will take place Friday 1/15 and Wednesday 1/20. There are 14 candidates for the position.

EMS Magnets are for sale! \$3 each. On sale at the school store on Wednesday's during lunch periods and in the main office.

Testing will take place in April.

Sports are in full swing.

Pep Rally was FANTASTIC! There were lots of games and sports. Teachers claimed it was the best one ever. Every kid left with a smile that day!

The Gym has new wall mats and it looks great! It really livens up the gym as the old mats were from the 1960's. The Gym will be painted this summer.

In the Spring, the courtyard will be open for the kids to get some fresh air since it was finally cleaned up and completed.

Potential changes next year:

Civics may be reformed

8th Grade Google will stay

STEAM Lab may be introduced to 7th graders.

7th grade elective curriculum may get tweaked.

We could really use an extra minute at the beginning of the day to allow for extra announcements, etc. Maybe 1 minute will be taken from lunch. Ideally, an additional 7 minutes per day would be great.

There is still no contract for teachers/administrators. Once the contract gets settled, there are a number of sports/clubs Mr. Miller would like to propose but nothing can be even heard by the BOE until contract is resolved.

Committee Reports

Winter Wonderland Dance

Semi-formal. Kids can “dress up” but it’s not mandatory. Please follow district dress code.

Friday, January 22 from 7-9pm.

Free with PTO membership; \$5 non-members

Tickets will be sold during lunch on Thursday and Friday (Jan. 21 & 22).

Eileen Defuria has a sign up sheet for volunteers. We still have some snacks left; more donations are coming; decorations are being donated; we can use more water bottle donations, cupcakes, etc.

Box Tops are still being collected. PTO received a check for \$3,102.40 from Box Tops for Education. We assume \$2500 of that amount is from the sweepstakes that was won by Dan Masi. Thanks Dan!

Shoparoo- Thank you to all who are participating in the Shoparoo fundraising. Please continue to tell your friends and family about it to spread the word. It's a very easy way to earn money for our school.

Next Year's Officers

Michelle Stein will continue on as Secretary. We need all other officers as the current ones are moving on to the high school. Openings are for President, Vice President and Treasurer.

8th Grade Step Up Dance

The date for the step up dance is June 20 and will be held at EMS from 7-9pm following the Step Up ceremony at the high school. A Chairperson for this committee is still needed. Must be a 7th grade parent. Please consider volunteering some of your time to make this event a memorable one for our 8th graders.