

2018-2019 Eisenhower Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes

EMSPTO Officers In Attendance:

PTO President - Michelle Danielson – mhdaniels@att.net
PTO Vice President - Gabriella Pereira - gabikpereira@gmail.com
PTO Treasurer – Christine O'Connor - coconn@optonline.net
PTO Secretary – Susan Szardenings - susizar@yahoo.com

- *Prior to this evening's meeting, Mr. Gallagher hosted "Coffee With the Principal" at 7:00pm, where parents/guardians could sit around a table and ask questions about EMS. Items included the dress code, anti-bullying policy, school security, and the food service.*

Principal's Report:

- On Tue., October 30th the school ran a Supervised Security Drill and it went well. The students gave good feedback and showed consistency in following directions. As the protocol evolves, and in keeping every student's safety the top priority, there is still room for growth.
- Both the student and adult "High-ding in Plain Sight" Vaping Programs on Wed., October 24th presented by Timothy Shoemaker and sponsored by the Roxbury Municipal Alliance, was very well received.
- The Canned Food Drive was a success and all the food collected is going over to Roxbury Social Services on Fri., Nov. 2nd. The class who collected the most cans receives a pizza party. This collection was entirely student- run and showed a heartwarming, impressive display of humility. Great job EMS!
- Maschio's Food Services, Inc. will be hosting a Youth & Parent Advisory Committee Meeting & Food Tasting on Tue., November 13th at 12 noon. Students & parents will be able to taste the upcoming new foods on the menu. Parents will be able to ask questions about the food service.

President's Report:

- **RESCHEDULED> The Fall Fun Night and Dance is coming up on Friday, November 30th from 7- 9pm**

*This event is for 7th and 8th grade students attending EMS~ parent donated snacks/ drinks are set up in the lunch room & the gym is divided into two sides: one side for games and the other side for DJ Chris D'Amico playing music, with a possible Dance Off too! - tickets sold for the 11/16 date will be honored- **parents can sign up for the PTO by having their children pay the supporter dues before or the night of the***

event, or else an admission fee will be charged at the door. Contacts for this event include Gabriella Pereira, Kathy Ribe, Cheryl Blakut and Susan Szardenings. A Sign- Up Genius is created and linked within the FB pages for snack & drink donations and for volunteers to be present at the event itself.

- **Please consider volunteering 2 hours of your time during the course of this school year to your child(ren) by helping out with PTO activities- there are many neat opportunities during the day, at-home, and evening. Please share your talents, have fun with a group of your own friends by volunteering together, and enjoy knowing that you made a good difference in your child's school life.**
- **Easiest-Ever Fundraiser: This campaign is ongoing:** {\$7 membership dues and \$13 donation= \$20} The \$7 membership dues allows students free admission into the 2 Fun Nights (Fall and Winter). Students can sign their family up to the PTO right at the entrance door as they enter the Fun Night. Children of current PTO supporters will attend the fun nights free of charge. There will be an admission fee for non-supporters, and in paying this fee, they will become a PTO member. An accurate, up-to-date dues/donation spreadsheet will be maintained by the PTO treasurer and will be present at each event. **Please join today!** The double- sided PTO membership form can be found under the Parents/PTO tab of the EMS section of roxbury.org.
- Spirit Wear ordering closes on November 12th.
- **Committee and Chairperson Review:**
 - Box Tops- Jennifer Rosenbaum- collection boxes are in Main Office and Cafeteria
 - Spiritwear- Nancy Loizou- DeZine Line will be providing online ordered items
 - Shoparoo app- Gabriella Pereira
 - Ella Wink Scholarship- Christine O'Connor- info in Sept. minutes
 - Fall and Winter Fun Night & Dances need volunteers- sign-ups are up for Fall one
 - Eighth Grade Step-Up Dance- needs 7th grade volunteers- info in Sept. minutes
- **Our next EMSPTO Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 4th, 2018 @ 7:30pm-9:00pm and we will be meeting in the Lab of Inquiry(LOI).**
Directions to the LOI: please enter the unlocked front main doors and make the first left and follow that corridor until the end- the LOI is the last door on the left, a large room with computers and tables in it. Meetings alternate monthly on Tue. and Thur. to encourage people to attend when they are available~
Principal Gallagher and Assistant Principal Elizabeth Omega will be alternating meeting months.

Assistant EMS Principal Ms. Elizabeth Omega will be at our Dec. meeting

2018-2019 EMSPTO Meeting Schedule

(7:30-9:00pm in the EMS Lab of Inquiry{LOI} unless otherwise noted)

*This schedule can also be found under the Parents PTO section of EMS @ roxbury.org

TUESDAY December 4th

Thursday January 10th

TUESDAY February 5th

Thursday March 7th

TUESDAY April 9th

Thursday May 9th

TUESDAY June 4th

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