Esperanza Middle School PTO

General Meeting Minutes

6:00pm Tuesday April 19th 2016

EMS Media Center

* **Meeting called to order** - by president Virginia Richardson
* **Attendance** – Virginia Richardson, Erin Gaddis, Katharine Gaines, Tracy Clinning-Noel, Gracelyn Casas, Mike Richardson, Linda Ferm, Chris Richardson, Kelin Gaddis.
* **Approval Of GM Minutes** for Monday 28th September 2015 & January 11th(12th & 13th) 2016. Motion made by Linda Ferm to dispense with reading of minutes, as had been previously provided digitally. Motion seconded and approved.
* **President’s Report**- Virginia Richardson

1. **Insurance** - purchased and valid for 1 year. ($699)
2. **Teacher/Staff Appreciation** – flyer to go out on Peachjar. Early sign up encouraged. A big thank you to Nancy Bobrowski who coordinates the staff appreciation meals. PTO to provide goodie bags for teachers.
3. **Spirit Nights** – Applebees breakfast idea on hold until next year. Paula Ross to be next year’s Spirit Night Committee Head. Nights to be scheduled on calendar before school year starts. PTO hopes to have its non-profit status by end of 2016.
4. **PTO Contributions** – providing volunteers/photo booth for dances/PBIS gift cards/quarterly awards gift cards
5. **Administration meetings** – PTO has passed on parent concerns re Lifetouch Photo Company & 8th grade lunch issues
6. **Shoe Box Recycling** – has raised $100 to date and second collection cycle to start April 20th for 2 weeks.
7. **Lost & Found** – a big thank you to Linda Ferm for her continuous work. Older items to be donated again soon and a last donation 1 week after school finishes. Discussion to set up a regular donation of older items once a month for next year.

* **Treasurer’s Report**

1. **Budget update –** balance of $832.44. (not including Sonic Spirit Night check of $180).Other future income includes Chick-fil-A Spirit Night, new t-shirt sales, agenda pre orders for coming school year.

* **Student Representatives**

1. **Update** – input from Gracelyn Casas, SCA. Have 2 reps per group for next year (1 to be an incoming 6th grader) and provide info packets for new reps explain their role.

* **New Business**

1. **2016-17 Board Election** – all new board positions voted in unanimously:

President – Virgina Richardson

Treasurer – Katharine Gaines

Secretary – Tracy Clinning-Noel

Vice President – no candidate. Position available.

1. **Play Rehearsal Dinner Request** – PTO to help provide items required
2. **Loot Store** – PTO to help promote use of Loot Store

* **Announcements**

1. **Upcoming events**- Chick-fil-A Mon May 16th 5-7pm(need hosts)/new T-shirt sales/agenda pre-orders for next year/Shoebox recycling/May 4th Staff Appreciation lunch /8th grade teacher student basketball game/spring newsletter
2. **Next general meeting** – September 2016
3. **Door Prize Winners**: Mike Richardson & Chris Richardson

* **Adjournment**  - 7:20pm