

EAST COVENTRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
PTA MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

Call to Order at 7:10 pm

Acceptance of June Minutes – Motion by Catharine Corrocher, seconded by Mary Kearney

**Principal's Report – Todd Oswald**

- Update on building opening. Thanked everyone (teachers, staff, parents and students) for their support and flexibility during the beginning the school year with uncertainty of new building opening. Target date of October 9 to open new building. Gym floor and cafeteria floor need to have a more permanent flooring. Will be installed next week, then it needs a few weeks to cure. Playground should have started this week, but the weather has set it back. Teachers have been able to get into the new building on the early dismissal days to set up their classrooms. Open House to be scheduled when permits allow for parents to come in and tour the building.
- Shared a document about building goals for the year. Shows PSSA results for ELA and Math for grades 3-6 from 2015-2018. This can be found at [www.ojrsd.com](http://www.ojrsd.com). Go to EC page and then to about us section. Click on Principal's Welcome to find the information.
- September 17, students from grade 5 and 6 who are newly elected to the student council will go to West Chester Courthouse to learn about the Constitution. Mock election for grades 1-6.
- Spirit day September 21 – dress in OJR/EC attire or wearing red and white. Each student will get a ticket for the OJRS football for EC night at the stadium.

**Head Teacher's Report – Brad Lamison**

- Thanked PTA for breakfast provided for the first day back to work.

**Treasurer's Report – Betsy Iannarino**

- Closed savings account because of the donation for the new playground at the school
- 4 checks reissued for checks not originally cashed.
- Monetary donation if you don't want to participate in fundraisers.
- No service charge for copies of checks.
- Audit completed by Megan Lang, Devon Byers and Kaycee Wilkie. Motion to accept the audit by Jen Williams, seconded by Lis DeCarlo. Audit approved.

Reporting Committees:

**Bylaws approval – Geralyn McErlean**

- PTA needed to go over the bylaws, make any changes and submit to the state. Only made 2 changes because state and national PTA have guidelines. Bylaws need to sit for 30 days. Copies will be available on the PTA website. We will vote to accept on October 9.

**Membership – Megan Lang/Betsy Iannarino**

- As of today, there are 86 members.

**EC Night at the Stadium September 21 – Kaycee Wilkie**

- A table will be set up for kids to get tatoos.
- Looking to add a tailgate next year before the game.

**Fall Family Fun Fest October 19- Ashley Pierce**

- Trying to get food trucks. Not getting a lot of response.
- Pumpkins – looking for a place that will help get us pumpkins at a reduced price. If anyone has any connections, please reach out to PTA.

#### **Joe Corbis Fundraiser – Ashley Pierce**

- Hoping to have samples at Back-to-School night.
- Fundraiser will run from October 1-November 1
- Will look for volunteers to help sort and assist at pickup on November 16 after school hours.

#### **Box Tops and Giant Rewards (other free money) – Jann Quigley**

- Box Tops drive will be from October 9-23. We need to submit no later than November 1
- Please register your Giant card on the Giant website and designate your card to EC. The program has started and will end in March.
- If you already shop at Amazon, designate EC to receive a portion of your purchase. The link is on the ECPTA website and in the newsletter.
- You can also download the Shoparoo app. You snap pictures of your receipts from any store, and EC will get money.

#### **Spaghetti Dinner November 9 – Geralyn McErlean**

- One person interested in chairing. Would love more help on the committee.
- Working out logistics. More information to come at the October meeting.

#### **Holiday Vendor Show – Betsy Iannarino**

- Saturday, November 17 from 9-1.
- 21 vendors/crafters signed up, so far
- There will be a basket raffle. Each grade will be asked to provide a basket for the raffle and the vendors/crafters are asked to donate an item for a raffle, as well. We are also reaching out to local businesses for donations.
- Sign-Up Genius will go live October 1 and donations will be due on November 1.

#### **Spiritwear -Kaycee Wilkie**

- Going to have a school store in the new building.
- Looking for a new vendor if anyone knows of someone who has a printing company, etc.

#### **Yearbook – Betsy Iannarino**

- Looking at having the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade student council homeroom representative help put together the yearbook.

#### **Correspondence – Jann Quigley**

- Card sent to Casey and Eric Smith for a death in the family.

#### **School Tool Box – Ashley Pierce**

- Made \$159.10 on the supply box purchases

#### **North Coventry Food Pantry**

- Natalie Gordon will help with pickup on 9/20, 10/18, 11/15, and 12/13

#### **Chairs and Committees Needed**

- Someone Special Dance in February
- Parents' Night Out – Friday, December 14
- Ice Cream Social and Art Show in May

#### New Business

- In need of a DJ for the Someone Special Dance and 5/6 grade social.
- October meeting will be moved from October 9 to the 16<sup>th</sup> due to bylaws needing to sit for 30 days and maybe being the first day in the new school.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jann Quigley

Recording Secretary, ECPTA