Eagle Creek PTO Meeting

3.25.2025 | 7:00PM

Virtual

PTO Mission Statement:

The mission of the Eagle Creek Parent Teacher Organization is to engage parents, teachers, school staff, and the surrounding community in working together to provide social, informational and educational experiences for students and families.  The PTO will provide support to Eagle Creek Elementary as they strive to create a nurturing learning environment in which all students will grow and succeed.

**Meeting begins: 7:01pm**

**Approval of Minutes:** Jenni recapped previous meeting notes

**Old Business:**

* PTO is always looking for and accepting snack donations for the Teacher Lounge
* Yearbook updates – 71% sold currently
* Always looking for more photos, please upload to the Yearbook picture folder, or email to PTO.
* Cover entries will be returned to teachers – to distribute back to the student

**New Business:**

* Penny Wars – 1st grade won!
* Timing was a bit harder this year with the shortened week and upcoming events. Hoping to possibly move it up next year? (PTO thoughts)
* Teacher feedback of Penny Wars
  + Loved the less time in clusters, really helped to only send kids that brought change
  + Video was super helpful
  + Liked the timing of March, not in We love to Read month, and not at the beginning of the year when parents are paying for supplies
* Carnival coming up on 4/11/25 from 5-8pm
  + Still looking for volunteers to help with games, a lot of openings!!
  + Need 2 more teacher for the pie throw booth
  + Silent Auction will run from 4/9 through 4/13 ending at 7pm
  + Hayley and Kirsten did basket inventory today and a couple baskets that need more donations include: Disney Lovers, Fishing and MN Sports Team baskets.
  + Accepting donations through Wednesday the 26th
* Learning Garden
  + Committee has been formed of teachers: Becky Garvin, Jenn Johnson, Loretta Gregory, Stacy Dorner and Abbie Perron
  + Garden Day: Tentatively Thursday May 29th, 2025
  + Doing an inventory of garden needs

**Upcoming Events**

* Carnival: April 11th 5-8pm
* Online Auction: April 9th-13th
* Cherry Berry Night: Tuesday May 6th 4-9pm

**Treasurer’s Report**

* Current Budget: $95,272.90
  + Penny Wars raised $3,455.44 total!

**Grant Requests**

* Field Day Pre-order: Was approved and with changes in 2025/2026 this has been put on hold.
* 5th grade wants to put on EC Town – which would replace BizTown. Requesting $300 for supplies so Students can continue this amazing experience
  + This grant was approved with 10 people saying yes
* PTO put in a grant request for a Shed for playground equipment -$1,600 request
  + This grant was approved by 7 people
* Still funds left for grant requests – please submit any you might have to use up these funds!

**Announcements**

* PTO looking for new additions to the team for President and Vice-President roles. Please email PTO if you have interest, we’ll be voting on these at the next meeting.

**Teacher Liaison - Ms. Masters & Mrs. Scheuring**

* Conference dinners were great – loved the baked potato bar. Always appreciated.

**Principle Updates**

* Making it through the last couple days before spring break!
* The spring is crazy for teachers and students. Lots of field trips, music concerts, Kindergarten graduation, 5th grade send off, Kindergarten round up (which is April 15th from 5:30-7pm if the PTO wants to be there)

**Adjourn:** 7:36pm

Next PTO Meeting:  May 19th, 2025 from 7-8pm. In-person at Eagle Creek Elementary Teachers Lounge

Minutes Submitted by:

Jenni Rislund - Secretary

Minutes Approved by: Allisha Gosselin