



Elk Grove High School Parent Teacher Council  
Meeting Minutes  
September 4, 2018

### **DATE AND PLACE**

The meeting of the Elk Grove High School Parent Teacher Council was held on Tuesday, September 4, in the foyer Conference Room at Elk Grove High School.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Dianne Sprenger.

Dianne welcomed everybody to this first PTC meeting of the school year.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Mary Larson, Dianne Sprenger, Michelle McCorry, Tess Setchell, Shea Williams, Linda Bauer, Bill Saluski, Lisette Rodriguez, Mary Masnica, Paul Kelly, Nancy Rathman, Susie Moellenkamp, Tracey ?, Jim Arey, Colleen Cloherty, Carl Moellenkamp, Nancy Broten-Munson, Wai Oda, Mike Lagrimas, Berneice Lagrimas

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the May 1, 2018, meeting were approved.

### **PARENT NATION REPORTS:**

#### **Band Boosters:**

Bill Saluski reviewed the marching band's busy schedule, including five football games and four competitions. Upcoming fundraisers include:

- a 9/23 car wash at EGHS in conjunction with the auto show;
- a cheesecake sale in late October, with delivery by Thanksgiving;
- a bake sale at the November craft fair;
- the annual Christmas tree and wreath sale starting the day after Thanksgiving;
- and the ongoing Buffalo Wild Wings fundraiser - just mention "Team G" to have a portion of sale donated to band.

#### **Orchestra Boosters:**

Tess Setchell reported on the Orchestra's kick-off trip to Millennium Park in Chicago in August. The orchestra has a strong membership this year with 115 students. Upcoming events include Pops & Pizza on October 13.

#### **Choir Boosters:**

Tracey ? reported that choir boosters have grown from 6 members to 16 this year, providing some extra help to fill positions. The choirs' spring trip location has yet to be determined; the boosters will help raise money for that trip. Upcoming events include the choir's first concert of the year on October 1 and a pie sale.

#### **GAB:**

Mary Masnica reported that GAB's first fundraiser, the annual golf outing, is slated for September 30.



## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Mr. Paul Kelly**

Mr. Kelly thanked the PTC for providing ice cream for the students during the first week of school.

Future PTC meetings will be relocated to Room 103, a classroom that would allow for more seating for the larger number of attendees. Attendees will still need to enter the building through Door 24 (athletic entrance) so allow a few more minutes to walk to Room 103.

Homecoming (HoCo) Week will take place September 23-29. This busy week includes: Sunday - auto show; Monday - kick-off classic; Tuesday - volleyball and knockerball; Wednesday - bonfire and luau; Thursday - soccer game; Friday - coronation and football game; Saturday - dance; and Sunday - golf outing.

The fall play, Olympiaganza, is slated for September 20-22.

Mr. Kelly recognized several staff members who were honored recently: Debra Ohler was recognized by Illinois State Board of Education; Courtney Lavand was named Early Career Educator for Illinois In Special Education.

Mr. Kelly recapped correspondence that was sent out to parents over the summer:

- Regarding usage of cell phones and electronic devices, the school is looking for ways to address what has become a nationwide epidemic among students that is chipping away at their ability to focus. Some teachers may be giving clearer expectations about use of phones during class. An optional policy lets teachers give a series of warnings for phone use in the classroom - from reminding the student directly to calling their parent to sending them to the dean's office and possible consequence. Some teachers are trying this out in their classrooms to see how effective it is. The goal is to help students gain situational awareness - better understand when is the right time or wrong time to use their phones.
- Regarding building security changes:
  - Students in early-morning groups will be able to access the building at 7:20 (rather than 7:30). This time change was needed to accommodate meetings of these groups.
  - The new requirement for students to show IDs is going well with very few students forgetting their IDs.
  - Staff is still working out details of new door access changes, such as solutions for Friday night/football night security after 7:30 pm when security guard is no longer on duty. For parent events in the building, Doors 1 and 29 will also be in use. But for athletic events, only Door 24 will be used.
- Regarding changes in open campus policy: Starting second semester, only Sophomores through Seniors with at least a 2.8 GPA will be allowed off-campus during lunch periods. This means there will likely be larger number of students in the cafeteria during lunch periods.

Regarding PTC's request last year to look into the possibility of fundraiser "buyouts," Mr. Kelly said this will be allowed. For example, parents of athletes in Boys Golf were allowed to pay \$50 rather than selling candy bars.

In the new Auxiliary Gym (Aux), the sound issues have been resolved. New sound abatement panels have been installed; they look nice and do a good job at reducing noise.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**



Carl Moellenkamp reported that the budget has not yet been finalized, but should be ready to vote on at the next meeting. The post-prom fund is out of cash, but a down-payment of \$2,000 is needed at this time for post-prom buses. There are ample funds in the main PTC checking account. Carl requested a motion to allow up to \$2,000 to be transferred to pay toward the buses. The motion was approved.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Craft Fair:**

It was reported on behalf of Monika Montemayor that of the 250 crafter spots available, 131 have been paid for and the event is expected to be full by the end of September. For information about the craft fair, the email contact is: [holidaysampler@yahoo.com](mailto:holidaysampler@yahoo.com).

There is a need for more parent volunteers to help run the craft fair.

#### **Hospitality:**

Susie Moellenkamp reported on the success of the first week tradition of handing out ice cream bars to all students. She said many students expressed thanks when receiving their ice cream. The ice cream bars are purchased from Tasty Catering but prices increased this year, so we need to reconsider what to do for next year's event.

#### **Post Prom:**

Nancy Rathman said there will be another pre-sale for post-prom since last year's was so successful. The lollipop fundraiser is continuing, and 250 were sold at last week's football game. Any groups interested in selling lollipops can contact Nancy.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Jim Arey, social studies teacher, noted that the goal is to have 100% participation this year to have all staff come to PTC meetings.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm. The next meeting will be October 2nd in Room 103.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Broten-Munson  
EGHS PTC Secretary