

Energy Institute High School PTO January 15, 2020 – General Meeting Minutes

Date, Time and Location : 01/15/2020, 8:00 am, EIHS Dining Commons

Meeting called to order: Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury called meeting to order at 8:15 AM

I. Welcome: Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury welcomed attendees.

II. Approval of November Minutes - Minutes were distributed and reviewed. Motion to approve by Eliana Belafonte. Motion seconded by James Asbury. Minutes approved.

III. Principal update:

This past Saturday, EIHS hosted the VEX tournament for 38 teams. Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury received the VEX volunteer award. There was a great turnout of student support, as well as student commentators & an all-student jazz band.

Magnet lottery has received a large number of applications that qualified for matrix. EIHS received 700 freshman applications.

There was a shooting at Bellaire HS on January 13, 2020. Please keep that community in your thoughts.

The district has revamped student psychology services to include social and emotional education.

On January 29, 2020 there will be a Vape Awareness presentation with a speaker from The Council. Parents should RSVP and can send in questions.

Make It Work Club has been started by Ms. Jennifer West to address social and emotional needs of students and create restorative circles.

Spring Exhibition in March, dates will be announced soon
Senior Prom @ Science Museum

Ms. Kristick was honored as the District teacher of the month.

EIHS received 2nd place in the National Ronald Waltrip Awards for Magnet Programs. Ms. Lambropoulos has been invited to be on committee to create criteria for next year's award.

IV. Budget Review: by Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury

No treasurer report submitted yet. Report will be sent via email & posted on the website. Cohorts & clubs are active, and the budget has no issues or concerns.

V. Committee Reports – Discussion / Action

A. Membership – Committee co-chairs: Julie Garcia and Ana Ponce nothing new to report

B. Volunteers – Committee co-chairs: Julie Garcia and Ana Ponce nothing new to report

C. Hospitality - Committee co-chairs: Martha and Paul Jacob nothing new to report

D. Teacher Appreciation - Committee co-chairs: Martha and Paul Jacob

December 2019- teachers received movie tickets and treat bags

February 2020- teachers will have a Valentine's Day bar

E. Communication / website – Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury

Website is now translated into Spanish

Other formatting updates and changes have been made

F. Spirit Store – Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury

The PTO is purchasing more polos

We are considering changing polo supply company to jacket company

We currently have 20 pieces of outerwear pre-ordered, and we need 24 to receive discount price point

Sweatshirts are the most popular of the outerwear items

We plan to sell spirit wear (outerwear, polos, etc) and other EIHS items at Freshman

Registration on Feb 8, 2020.

We will collect size info for PE Shirts (to be ordered later).

G. Fundraising – no chair yet; report from Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury

CFS going well

Fundraiser at Total-Wine was hosted by Jaye McAfee and sponsored by the Washington Family and sold out in the last week before event. Individual tickets and tickets donated for teachers were purchased. There was enough interest that we could have sold more tickets. This fundraiser made a \$1200 profit.

Next Fundraiser will be at St Arnold Brewing Company on Sunday March 1, 2020 from 2-4pm, will be hosted by Julie Garcia. Tickets are \$40 and will include open taps and light bites. Maximum capacity is 50 people. Plan is for the event to be a social happy hour, low key, and perhaps include door prizes.

Other possible fundraisers under consideration are a student dance, family social & spaghetti dinner, another wine tasting, fun run, maybe teddy bears via spirit store.

Remember that Amazon Smile is available, but you must go through the Amazon Smile portal for it to be credited to EIHS. FlipGive has not been profitable

VII. New Business

Dance socials for students, will collaborate with a club.

All student-related activities and events need to run through Admin.

IX. Notable Dates:

PTO General Meeting Wed March 11, 2020 6PM

Meeting adjourned by Sarah Carpentieri-Asbury at 9:10 am.