

ELHS Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Committee/Meeting Name	ELHS Parent Council Meeting				
Date	11-19-13	Starting Time	6:30 pm	Ending Time	7:30 business meeting 9:10 pm presentation
Location	ELHS "HUB"			Recorder	Pam Bergeron
Members Present	<p>Donna Kaplowitz, Shan Sweitzer, John Brandenburg, Konrad Hittner, Paulette Granberry Russell, Gene Gutierrez, Lisa Rutkowski, Anne Simon, Sheila Nash, Laura Dotson, Wanda Clayton Jones, Elizabeth Vanis, Pam Bergeron, Nancy Schertzing, Candace Merkel, Nate Lake.</p> <p>Guests: Caitlin Chung, Eliana Kaplowitz, Therese Brimmer, Demetrius Jones, Don Heller, Teddie & Mrs. Simmons, Andy Wells, Tim Volovsek, Dorinda Carter-Andrews,</p>				

Topics	Discussion, Information	Action to be Taken, Decision, Recommendation, Timeline
PC Recording Secretary	Pam Bergeron has assumed recording secretary duties for academic year 2013-14.	October PC Council meeting minutes approved and submitted with minor edits.
Principal Report- John Brandenburg	<p>Minority Student Achievement Network update presented by Caitlin Chung.</p> <p>Our students developed a 5-category action plan with our youngest students in the district in mind. They are focusing on a <i>growth mindset vs. fixed mind-set</i>. The group is coordinating efforts with the Social Justice Club.</p>	The first initiative is the Mix-it up Lunch on Nov. 20, 2013
Treasurer Report	<p>With a goal for transparency, the Treasurer's report will be posted on the parent council website every month.</p> <p>Target Money and Meijer Money</p> <p>Our budget is fully funded.</p>	<p>Budget reporting format approved.</p> <p>Nancy will talk with Jeanne McGuire to re-instate program</p> <p>A goal of this council is to leave at least 2,000.00 in the Treasury for 2014-15 Parent Council activities.</p>
Fundraising Report (Nancy)	We will send one more electronic appeal at the end of the month to give people an opportunity to maximize their contributions before years end.	<p>Letter will be sent electronically to all ELHS households who receive e-blasts.</p> <p>Hard copy letters with return envelopes will be sent in August 2014 for the 2014-15 academic year.</p>

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Grant Requests (Konrad)	<p>3 proposals were considered:</p> <p>Art Dept. (Ms. Remer-Saenz) Light Boxes</p> <p>English Dept. (Ms. Hmadi) Dictionaries and Thesaurus</p> <p>NHS (Ms. Kelly) Funds for Thanksgiving Baskets</p>	<p>Motion carried for \$226.65 Light Box purchase.</p> <p>Motion carried approval up to \$325.00 for Dictionaries and Thesauruses.</p> <p>Motion denied.</p>
Parent Council Special Session	<p>Meet and greet with Dr. Bawmann, the new Director of Educational Services for ELPS. Dr. Bawmann will share her background and vision for ELPS.</p>	<p>December 17, 2013 6:30 – 8:00 pm</p> <p>NOTE that Dr. Bawmann will only be available from 6:30 - 7:00.</p> <p>All are invited to bring a holiday treat from your family's holiday traditions to share with other ELHS PC members.</p>
Adjournment		<p>7:30 pm</p>
An examination of School Culture and Climate at East Lansing High School.	<p>Dr. Dorinda Carter addressed her data in an analysis of 2012 Student School Experience Survey</p>	<p>Dr. Carter will email a copy of the survey instrument to Parent Council</p>