

Duluth Edison Kenwood Parent Advisory Council
Executive Committee Meeting of 2009/2010
Meeting Minutes: October 12th, 2009

1. **Call to Order at 6:47 p.m.:** President -Sarah Pearson, Vice President-Julie Spry, Treasurer- Brian Kinziger, Secretary-Sue White, Executive Committee members- Amber Madoll, Jodi Furman, and Bill Smith. Alternates- Kristi Gordon. Parents- Kim Wick, Lisa Kappenman. Academy Director- Danielle Perich.

2. **Review of Minutes from September 14th, 2009:** Error in administration report as noted by Mrs. Perich: the correct number of students in the district is 1010. No other changes were discussed. **Motion by Brian Kinziger to accept minutes as amended, seconded, and carried.**

3. **Date of Next PAC Meeting:** November 9th, 2009 at 6:45 in the library.
4. **Administrative Report(Danielle Perich) :**
 - a. The bully free program encourages kids to speak up for themselves, to empower them; Kicks off November 5th will have a carnival type atmosphere; Toodles and Dizzy the clowns will be here along with several activities in the classrooms. Aims to get parents involved and students excited. There will be free food and fun! Mrs. Cauchon and Mrs. Nordstrom head up the bully free committee and are always looking for volunteers of all sorts. The Bully free t-shirts are expected to be here before the carnival. A Parent volunteer photographer will be taking pictures of the whole student body donning their “stop bullying” t-shirts on Oct.29th.
 - b. Title one meeting for parents and guardians will be on Oct. 20th from 6-7 p.m. This program is for kids who need a little extra support, the meeting talks about what the program is.
 - c. The Climb Theater will be coming from the cities to encourage 3rd and 4th graders to attend higher education. The performance will take place in the gym then will follow up in the classroom.
 - d. The PAC got a demo on the coolness of the smart board tonight! The goal is to get one in every classroom.
 - e. The Outdoor Adventures leadership team has not responded yet to Mrs. Perich’s request for a quote. The 2nd choice would be sleigh rides to coincide with the bear grease. Also, waiting to hear if the magician has a “Bully Free part3” performance put together

5. **Public Comment:** None
6. **Treasurer’s Report (Brian Kinziger):** Brian gave a print out of all transactions for the month. Some money was used for treats for the last meeting. We also took in some interest money. There is an overall balance of

\$22,360.80. **Motion to accept report by Amber Madoll, Seconded by Jodi Furman.MSC.**

- Brian is asking for permission to shop around for better interest rates on C.D.'s at other banks. **Motion to grant permission by Sue White, Seconded by Sarah Pearson, Carried.**
- Brian forgot to carry over the \$240 for the symphony block grant so look for that total to be off at the end of the year.

7. **Committee Reports:**

GRANTS: Instead of multiple copies of grant requests from each teacher, Brian has gone green and summarized the classroom and block grant requests on one page. This is an easy to read summary of what the teachers are asking for. Brian has the actual grant forms in case there are questions about specific items or requests.

- **Amber Madoll motions to accept all classroom grant requests with notation that Mrs. Potter's request be supplemented by Scholastic dollars (from book fair profits) if possible. Seconded by Sarah Pearson, Brian Kinziger abstains, motion Carried.**
 - Discussion about whether PAC should pay for bussing; Pac never pays for bussing, however, Ms. Anderson has found a free program at UMD and all she has requested is the cost of the bussing.
 - **Block grants: Amber Madoll motions to accept block grants that have a dollar amount available with preference to the leadership team (waiting on quotes). Julie Spry seconded, Brian Kinziger abstained, motion carried.**
 - **Brian Kinziger motions to consider all bussing costs associated with free activates for future applications also motion to use remaining funds if requested by the staff through the end of November.** (There are a few requests that have not come in but may have been misplaced). **Seconded by Sue White, motions carried.**
 - **E-mail Discussion:** regarding the 8 missing classroom grants and 1 block grant they have been found! **Motion by Brian to accept the found grant requests with the approximately \$400 overage, also motion to not entertain anymore requests due to no more remaining funds. Seconded by Sarah Pearson, Brian Kinziger and Bill Smith abstaining, motions carried.**
- Book fair (Sue White):** Volunteers are still needed. Not all classrooms will get the book fair fliers due to Scholastic not sending enough. Scholastic was contacted however they probably won't be here in time.
 - Uniform sale (Amber Madoll):** Will take place on the 21st @4:00 p.m. in the gym. Still looking for volunteers for that. The money that was made last year went into the general medical fund at the school but not in the uniform fund in particular.
 - Kim Wick: has expressed an interest in looking into a "kids closet" type store to make easier and more accessible for families to purchase reasonably priced uniforms year round.

- c. **Teacher appreciation (Brian Kinziger):** will be the week before thanksgiving November 23rd-25th. Donations of salads and desserts can be homemade or store bought. Brian will be e-mailing the details. **Julie Spry** will do an appreciation breakfast for teachers on December 9th and again on April 14th. On the actual teacher appreciation day teachers will be given gift certificates and treats. Sue White will put together a questionnaire for the teachers to fill out and see if Barb will compile and summarize that info on a single sheet to get home to parents so the parents can appreciate their child's teacher☺
 - d. **Reach for the Stars (Julie Spry):** reading program and book sale will take place in February_which is I love to read month.
8. **Other Business:**
- a) **Lead Parents** (Amber Madoll): Have received info from surveys that were in the beginning of the year packet of info. E-mails have been sent out and people are responding it has been going well.
 - b) Alternate member needed: Kristi Gordon.

12. **Adjournment:** motion to adjourn at 8:20p.m. **Motion, second, carried.**