

EPS PA General Meeting Thursday, January 12, 2012

In Attendance

Anne Corley	Debbie Dimmer
Desiree Eden	Kim Merino
Karen Triebes	Byron Bishop
Lisa Brashem	Emer Dooley
Betsy Smith	Sanjoy Shenoy
Alice Ryan	Margaret Alvarez
Vickie Baldwin	Leslie Deeker
Liz Hunt	Katya Debrovskaya
Melissa Schaefer	
Leslie Brewer	

Introductions

Anne Corley introduced the Executive Committee and Class Reps present.

Staff Appreciation

Valentine's Day and Staff Appreciation in March

In the Fall, there was a catered Mexican theme lunch. The next Staff Appreciation event is planned for February and is a dessert buffet for Valentine's Day, with a masseuse for the staff. The centerpiece for the buffet is a chocolate fountain. Teachers and supporting staff are included. In the Spring, there will be Staff Appreciation month in March—each Wednesday will be assigned to two classes (one middle school and one upper school), and each week will have a theme. Alice asked if anyone has ideas for themes, to please forward them to her and Vandana at epsa@eastideprep.org The parent community will be asked to help during Staff Appreciation month.

Guest Speakers

Byron Bishop and Dr. Terry Macaluso—EPS Commons

The timeline for this project—start date as soon as the zoning is approved (by early February) with completion by the end of this school year in June (with some landscaping work completed during the summer) and opening at the start of the next school year in September.

This building, including a cafeteria, theater, music classroom, and theater space, has a budget of \$1.7 million. We still need to raise \$750,000 to complete the new Commons.

Open Houses are scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, Wednesday, February 8 and Thursday, February 9 from 6-7 p.m. in the AD Conference Room to learn more about the project and to discuss “giving” opportunities.

Jeff Adair—EPS Summer Programs

Goals of the summer programs—
Utilize the campus facilities, marketing, serve the students wander lust

Hospitality

Spring Trimester Coffee—March 12

Interest in Evening Meetings and Social Gathering

Some discussion took place on this topic. “Nights Out” do not always gain any more attendance than morning meetings. A guest speaker might help increase attendance. Next year, with the new Commons open, we will have many opportunities to have events at the school as it will be a great gathering space.

Spring Events

Campus Clean Up

Some planting and paver installation will be the focus of this year’s clean up, integrating with the landscape plan for the new Commons. An International Potluck will take place at the same time.

BBQ

The BBQ is scheduled for May 31st. Volunteers will be needed for hospitality.

8th Grade Continuation Breakfast

The breakfast is scheduled for June 14th. It is a “formal” event with a hosted breakfast for 8th grades and their parents. Ana Safavi is in charge of the breakfast and volunteers will be needed.

Senior Dinner

The dinner is on June 13th, and graduation is on the 15th. Ana Safavi is heading this effort and will oversee volunteers for the dinner.

Class Reps

Anne encouraged all reps to keep their parents informed about activities at school and opportunities to volunteer and participate.

Attendees were encouraged to continue participating on the Board next year or helping to identify replacements for their positions. Also, Class Reps are responsible for setting up the summer class picnic, or finding a successor who will take on that task.

Next General Meeting

Thursday, April 19, 2012, 8 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Brashem