

# EIS PTA Unit Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2007

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- Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.
- Presentation of Flags by 2nd Grade Brownie Troop 337.

- **Approval of Minutes**

1st motion to approve last month's Unit meeting minutes by Steve Heinen, 2nd motion by Christy Blystone. The November 9th Unit meeting minutes passed.

- **Principal's Report**

Mrs. Strow presented the new program, "Dolphin Tales." The school has three stuffed dolphins that students can take on vacations and adventures (farther than Broken Arrow). Upon their return, the student(s) can give a presentation of their dolphins' travels during a Rise and Shine Assembly.

Mrs. Strow reminded parents that Kinder and 5th grade applications are due soon. She recommends turning them in to the Service Center on Friday, February 2nd, the original due date, rather than the modified date of Wednesday, February 28th.

And finally, after years of parent and student requests, a new playground is on its way!! After countless hours of research and work by Mrs. Worthley and the Grounds committee members, a plan has been developed. The playground will be built in two phases. Literature on the phases can be picked up outside the office or viewed on the EIS website.

In sum, Phase I, will cost about \$24,000. The EIS Foundation will donate \$5,000 toward the project and a generous and gracious donation from an anonymous donor of \$19,000 will cover the rest of the cost!! Phase II will cost about \$50,000. Discussion of money or a timeline for this phase was not discussed.

Several parents at the Unit meeting asked if donations can be made toward the project. Blake Johnson and Lane Wilson agreed that if a family would like to donate money, they can make a check to the EIS Foundation, with a memo "Playground." Steve Heinen asked if funds could be raised by bricks with families' names or some other hardscape around the playground, similar to the fundraising bricks made for the GLC.

- **President's Report**

Emily Hill announced that for the remainder of the school year, childcare will be provided by PTA. Becky Litterell, who runs the Before and After Care, has agreed to be at the Unit meetings from 6:30 to 8 or 8:30 and she will have at least one other childcare provider with her.

The 5th graders will be having a Pizza Bingo fundraiser night on February 9th. Please plan to attend!

- **2nd Vice President's Report**

There will be a PTA sponsored skate party on MLK day. Admission is free for PTA members, and if you would like to come and join PTA, skating will be free!

Jennifer Seely mentioned a 4th grade fundraiser: EIS European-style exterior car stickers. They are \$3 each or two for \$5. Contact Jennifer for more information.

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### • Treasurer's Report

Budget-to-date was handed out for the meeting. Blake mentioned that Innisbrook came in about \$5,000 less than expected, but Trivia Night raised about \$5,000. Projected budget is still on target, pending the Fiestivale fundraising outcome.

### • Other Reports

– *MEDIA ENRICHMENT*: Allison Geary described the new Media Enrichment program. The goal of the program is the production of a 16-page trilingual newspaper, with each grade (K-5) involved in the newspaper in some manner. In addition, the 2nd graders' will be taking a field trip to the Tulsa World and Channel 6.

Allison asked the Unit for funds so this program can occur. The EIS Foundation pledged \$2,000 and Allison asked the Unit for \$650.00. Michael Patton moved to allot \$650 toward Media Enrichment; the motion was approved.

– *TEACHER REQUEST*: Mrs. Wagner asked for remaining money that had been approved last year (the 05-06 school year) for risers to be used instead for a digital piano. The amount remaining from the purchase of risers was \$5,900 and the cost of the digital piano is \$1,999. Robin Postier moved to purchase the digital piano, second by Jill Oglesbee; the purchase for a new digital piano was approved.

– *BOOK FAIR*: Starla Fussell announced that the Book Fair will be February 12-16. Please contact Starla if you would like to volunteer.

– *JUNIOR GREAT BOOKS*: Kathy Ostrem mentioned that Junior Great Books will occur the first week in February. It will take place during the lunchtime and grades 2-5 can participate.

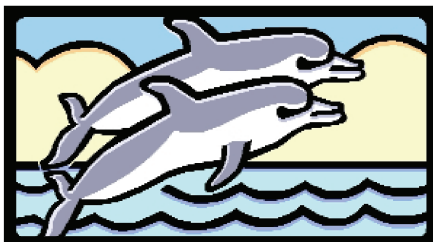
– *FIESTIVALE*: Samantha Heinen asked for people to begin thinking of donations they can make or if they know of any businesses that could donate items. There are donation forms in the office. The date of Fiestivale is not yet solidified.

– *FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT*: Chip Ard announced that the Foundation's golf tournament will occur on March 26th at Meadowbrook. They need 50 players and would welcome any sponsors.

• The next Unit meeting date, February 8th at 7 p.m.

• Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

– *Respectfully submitted, Karen Jones*



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