



ESS PTA Board and Community Meeting Minutes - October 1, 2024
7 PM
Zoom

Attendance:

Jessica Smith - President

Kareema Mitchell Allen - Vice President

Summer Smith - Secretary

17 members of the ESS Parent/Caregiver Community

Jessica Smith, ESS PTA President, welcomed everyone to the meeting. There was a discussion about how to volunteer for the PTA and noting the importance of volunteering at our school.

Jessica reminded everyone about some important upcoming events at ESS:

Movie Night - October 18, 2024

Election Day Bake Sale - November 5, 2024

World Culture Night - January 25, 2025

Volunteers are needed for all events.

Elizabeth Bernal-Amick presented a detailed overview of the Program at ESS. She presented the program details and offered how the ESS Community can advocate for funding from the County. In addition, she shared the schedule of advocacy opportunities throughout the year leading up to the vote on next year's budget.

After the presentation, members of the Community asked questions. Including if ESS will be guaranteed part of this program due to our Title I status. Elizabeth said that the school will not be guaranteed access to the program based on Title I status. Another community member asked how the 120 students who can participate will be selected. Elizabeth said the group will be divided into 6 groups to meet their needs. The choice of students will be made by the school. Other members of the Community asked how they can help with this effort. Elizabeth suggested that Community members visit schools that have this program and a possible letter writing campaign.

Jessica closed out the meeting by thanking Elizabeth and everyone who attended the meeting. Ms. Bodre-Woods also thanked everyone for attending.

After this meeting, the Executive Board approved the September 6, 2024 meeting minutes. These meeting minutes were approved via email after this meeting.