December there will be no parent council meeting, instead a potluck will be held. We will need a host for that, please email Kari if you are interested.

The Edison Community Celebration is tentatively scheduled for May 8th.
The Student Art Walk is tentatively scheduled for May 29th.
All events are in a calendar on the Edison website.

Tom Horn discussed the attendance and tardy policy. The district has a new attendance policy due to a lot of absences and tardiness district-wide. After two unexcused absences, a letter will be issued that will be sent home with a warning first and then citing the ORS rules. After a certain number of unexcused absences, the parents can be fined $150. The state is getting stricter about this since the corollary between the students success and good attendance is high.

Mimi Kato discussed a signed football and two Stanford game ticket raffle. The plan is to have an online raffle, the project is underway.

Trevor Betenson presented the Treasurer's Report. Last year we raised roughly $105k which can be used for this year's spending. Our hope is to exceed the fundraising for this year to $115k. As of a few days ago, there are 357 students enrolled. The goal this year for direct drive would be $15/month per family, that would raise roughly $41k. We will be sending information about how to set up a recurring payment directly to Edison. Direct Drive will launch in mid-November.

Tammy Yound presented a Volunteer Coordinator's report. We still need help in the kitchen with chef Ray. We encourage the use of Sign-Up Genius. Kari Parsons has offered to give a tutorial if any volunteer coordinators need that. The student directory is close to being finalized.

Tasha Hennings presented an updated on Jog-A-Thon report. 43% of our packets have been turned in and we are at $21k raised so far. There was discussion about perhaps moving the Jog-A-Thon back to the spring for next year.

Elaine Lawson gave an update on Meet the Masters. The curriculum is leveled by grade, with hopefully two volunteers per classroom. The program is fully scripted and has kids do an art project associated with a specific artist. The 5th grade classes don't participate. We are in the process of purchasing a new track with new artists. We need parent volunteers for each program at this stage. Let your class teacher or Elaine know if you're interested in volunteering.

Bobby Stevens gave an update on Cafe Alva, the Edison annual talent show. We will be looking for a new venue for this year, the WOW Hall, the South Eugene High School
auditorium or the Edison Gym are a few possibilities. The date is January 29th. We will need an MC and about eight volunteers.

Samantha Brauner spoke about the local option levy, which brings in eight million dollars per year for 4J, and needs to be renewed by voters every five years. Taxes will not increase should the levy pass. There will door-to-door canvassing on October 25th, contact Samantha Brauner if interested. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

Chris Miller gave an update about the Site Council. We will have music until February, and P.E. beginning in February. There is talk of a track club. There was a donation from the WOW Hall for the Artist in Residence program. Edison is a designated Behavioral school with a full-time behavioral teacher. Edison is looking at how other schools handle behavioral issues to generate ideas.

Tom Horn presented the Principal's Report. Staff and parents have been working on extended learning that creates curriculum that taps into different interests of the kids. We are pursuing three different grants to help create extended learning opportunities for kids. There will be common core meetings at different schools if you’d like to know more.

The next Parent Council meeting is November 18th, 6:30-8:30pm.