

# BES PTO Meeting Notes – 10/15/19

*In attendance: PTO Officers, Mr. Kehl, Two parents*

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**Next Meeting: November 14 at 4:00 pm**

6:32 pm call to order

Treasurer's Report – Samantha W. –

- Rita's night \$195.51 raised
- April 17 AR fundraiser organized
- Box Tops – Kelly – hard copy plus digital so far collected \$166.70 minus mailing costs
- Glow Party – listed on budget as fundraiser, but this is not a fundraiser
- Shoparoo - \$305.83 expecting a check
- Spiritwear - \$500 goal for the year - \$337.33 profit from Fall
- Janitor appreciation - \$100, hoagies, WaWa cards, etc.
- \$293.50 for assembly/author visit, Mrs. Graf purchased books for the library and each class
- \$839.49 so far for teacher expense forms

Principal's Report – Mr. Kehl

- Parent's Visit day – shifted to Thursday this year, Mr. Kehl prefers Fridays, but it went well.
- Courtyard – picnic tables are always used book buddies, staff lunches, etc. Tables are splintered, etc. Trex tables are bowing, not well supported. Got rid of the old tables, looking for help to buy new tables. There are ones that you can flip open, connect together, maybe from Amazon or QVC. Got rid of shed. Maybe kids from the high school and/or a task force to come in and beautify the courtyard, pull weeds, etc. Funds have always gone to other things (books, computers, etc.)
- Ground is stone that may not be safe due to tripping, etc.? Don't want to beautify the whole courtyard and then have it not usable because of that.

- Custodian is pulled many different ways.
- Benches / tables how many do we need? How many can we afford? PTO to research. Wind chimes, bird feeders, thermometer, outdoor clock, mural?
- What's your why? Motivational speaker has come in and spoken with the staff and they talked about why they do what they do.
- Update teacher's lounge. Kelly A&R will donate signs. New furniture.

#### Fundraiser / Event Updates:

- May 20<sup>th</sup> – Spring Rita's date
- Spring spiritwear – Boyertown Bears logo, hooded t-shirts, more pink, bright colors, safety green (neon yellow), neon pink
- Festival of trees – teachers helping, Mrs. King looking for donations from Crayola. Other teachers will help decorate, Mrs. Hartman. Dec 6-7.
- Camp Out – Friday – stations for stories by the fire. Camp chairs, bean bag chairs, crafts (Anita has two prototypes), s'mores fondue bar, many melting chocolates are manufactured on machines that process tree nuts, need to be aware for kids with nut allergies. Maybe fluff instead of marshmallows for kids in that situation. Tents, canopies on stage for decoration.
- Strawberry blonde bands. Buy \$5 and sell for \$8. Possible fundraiser to combine with spring spiritwear. Linda B. will reach out.
- Fall Fest – folk dance, Rita Sharp handling, sending out announcement after Halloween – games instead of crafts, after Halloween will solicit pumpkins
- Apple Wish Trees – Lyndsey Merkle – has been running last few years but she can't do full time. A few others said they'd help. Teachers send list of what they need, how many. We put on apples. Parents come in, pick apples, buy items and send them back in. Maybe have a night they can drop off donated items instead of sending in with students. Apple Harvest.
- Conference Dinners – 2 nights, we should do dinner both nights. Crock pots, donations.
- Holiday Shop – Mel will help with shop part if we can help with activities – crafts, handprints, letters to Santa, decorate your own cookie, etc. Maybe have vendors but

need insurance to cover it, maybe just parents who are vendors. Discussed \$10 table fee, one vendor per brand.

- Basket Raffle – 2/29 – new fee schedule \$75 more than last year for the venue. 216 baskets last year.
- Yearbook – Pictures of events. Biggest challenge is what kid can't be shown in photos. With new system this needs to be done manually. On Sign-up genius have a photographer on the list.
- Box Tops – They went around and collected them from the classes. Extra recess approved by Mr. Kehl if we reach school-wide goal.
- Welcome vinyl – Mrs. Birchall – Welcome in many different languages, in the lobby, maybe approx. \$100, maybe on the glass

Meeting adjourned at 7:33.

#### [2019 – 2020 PTO Monthly Meeting Schedule](#)

September 19	4:00 pm
October 15	6:30 pm
November 14	4:00 pm
December 12	6:30 pm
January 13	4:00 pm
February 11	6:30 pm
March 18	4:00 pm
April 14	6:30 pm
May 11	4:00 pm