



Beaver Creek PTO
Minutes

Monday, March 7, 2016
Beaver Creek Library
7:00pm

Meeting Called to Order at 7:01pm

Principal's Report

read by Kristy Houghton

- Conference attendance was great last Thursday, and we anticipate the same on Tuesday night. Our teachers have worked hard to complete progress reports and to share information at conferences. It is safe to say that all of our staff members are looking forward to next week's break. Thanks to the PTO hospitality committee for a great meal on Thursday night.
- BC had a great response to the Meals from the Heartland coin drive, raising \$3,600 to bring this packaging event to Beaver Creek on April 5. A school wide assembly will be held on April 4 to show the students the process of packaging the meals and also giving some background about where the meals will be shipped. Many parents have already volunteered to help this event go smoothly.
- Information on transportation changes can be found at the following link: <http://www.johnston.k12.ia.us/2016transportation/decisions/> The board of education is working to approve the protocols for requesting an available seat for the pay to ride option. There will be much more to discuss in April.
- Iowa Assessments results will be shared after spring break. Third, fourth and fifth grades took the test this year. This might be the last year for administering the Iowa Assessments, depending on what the Iowa Legislature decides to do with recommendations from the State Board of Education indicating they would like to use the Smarter Balance Assessments.
- Roller skating in PE was a hit again this year, taking place in early February.
- Fifth graders attended a show choir and jazz band performance at Johnston Middle School last Friday.
- Summit administrators will be visiting fifth graders on March 23, sharing information about next year and scheduling classes. The students will be making a visit to Summit later this spring for a tour and a chance to swim in the Summit pool.
- MAP testing for third, fourth and fifth grade students will take place in April.
- First and second grade vocal concerts will be held on Thursday, April 14. Kindergarten concerts will be held on Tuesday, April 26. BC Fine Arts night will be on Thursday, April 28.
- Registration for the 2016-17 school year will begin in April, and packets will be sent home with students. If you are aware of any new families or if you are moving, please let the Beaver Creek office know.

- As always, I'm extremely appreciative of everything the PTO does for our school! The grant process is a great way for teachers to enhance the learning opportunities for our students with additional materials and resources. The deadline for spring grant requests in Monday, March 23.

President's Report

Kristy Houghton

Schedule End-of-Year Budget meeting

Spring Picture Day on Tuesday, March 22 (Karmen Gano)

Thank You to Our Amazing Volunteers!

- Thank you to all parents, PTO members, and Beaver Creek families for participating in a successful All School Roller Skating Party! With over 260 people in attendance our families had a wonderful time skating together!
- Thank you to Terri Morgan for organizing the Box tops challenge again this spring!
- Thank you to Abby Hawes, Rita Holter and the spring book fair committee and volunteers for an amazing start to the spring book fair! Your time, efforts and attention to detail are really appreciated!
- Thank you to Brian Hurley for stepping up to lead our STEPS FOR STEM Spring Fundraiser!
- Thank you to Sara Hentscher and Tracy Walker for assembling the yearbook for 2016!
- Thank you to Brooke Israel and the volunteer workshop committee for all you do for our teachers and staff.
- Thank you to Amanda Cheese for laying out the newsletter each and every month!
- Thank you to Toni White and the staff appreciation committee for putting together such a wonderful dinner for our staff on March 4, 2016. Thanks also to all that donated items for the evening!
- Thank you as always to Mr. Toot, Joan and Jane for your continued support with our PTO efforts.

Secretary's Report

Jamie Rehmann

Motion to Approve February 9, 2016 Minutes by Tara Hartman

Seconded by Terri Morgan

Treasurer's Report

Tara Hartman

Motion to Approve Treasurer's report by Jamie Rehmann

Seconded by Terri Morgan

Committee Reports

5th Grade Event

read by Jamie Rehmann

1. Being held May 17th at Hidden Acres in Dayton.
 - a. The camp is a great location because they have both indoor and outdoor activities including an indoor pool. Outdoor activities included: Tractor Ride (extra cost), playground, cornhole, octoball, carpet ball, kickball, 9 square, horseshoes, basketball, canoes, paddle boats, kayaks, hiking, and mini golf. Indoor Activities included: swimming, ping pong, basketball, volleyball, carpet ball, foosball and game room. This is a great location because if the weather is no great there is plenty to do inside.
2. We had our first meeting on February 19 at Panera. Great turn out. Things are moving along with planning the 5th grade celebration event.

3. We have raised about ½ of what is needed to cover the costs of the event. YEAH! Thank you to everyone who has donated. Without our generous parents we would not be able to do this.
4. We have had over 40 parents volunteer for the day of the event. Thank you awesome parents!! We greatly appreciate your willingness to help out.
5. There is a board set up in the 5th grade pod during conferences for parents to read all about the event and to sign up to volunteer if they have not yet.
6. The Memory Book has about 90% of the pictures of the students in it. We are gathering up the last of the missing Kindergarten pics. For those not familiar with the Memory Book. It is a 5th grade only book where a picture of the kid's Kindergarten and 5th grade picture are shown with answers to questions about what they want to be when they grow up, their favorite memories about Beaver Creek and their favorite things about their 5th grade teacher and staff (Mr. Toot and Mrs. Maronn.) The teachers and staff have been great sports and gave us a picture of themselves as kids in 5th grade. This was started a couple of years ago and the kids LOVE it! There is also a contest where the kids get to design the cover. We have some very talented 5th graders.
7. Permission slips will going out at the end of April beginning of May.
8. Pray for NO rain this year and warm weather.
9. Next committee meeting (still time to join our fun group) is March 30th at El Mariachi at 7 PM. All are welcome to join.

Box Tops

Terri Morgan

- 5565 box tops
- Winning classrooms: Hyde, Noble, Barta, McCombs, Jorgensen, Johnson
- \$820.40 check coming to BC

Spring Fundraiser

read by Kristy Houghton

- Thursday, April 21st (or rain date: 28th)
- Parents are Invited to come
 - 2nd Grade 8:50 - 9:30a
 - 1st Grade 9:35 - 10:05a
 - Kindergarten 10:10 - 10:40a
 - 3rd Grade 1:10 - 1:50p
 - 4th Grade 2:00 - 2:40p
 - 5th Grade 2:50 - 3:30p

Spring Book Fair

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- Gross sales are up \$7677.17 (vs. \$3600 last spring)

All School Roller Skating

Kristy Houghton

- 214 paid skater
- 283 total attendees

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Terri Morgan
Tara Hartman seconded
Approved

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm