



Beaver Creek PTO
Minutes

Monday, April 4, 2016
Beaver Creek Library
7:00pm

Meeting called to order 7:01pm

Principal's Report

Mr. Toot

Thanks for changing your meeting day/time to accommodate my schedule. This is greatly appreciated, as I can't be two or three places at once.

Sheri Johnson and Pat Rodda received a Foundation grant last week for iPad docks.

Iowa Assessments results were sent home after spring break. Our results are similar to previous years.

We are beginning to work on staff allocations/assignments for next year. Now that registration packets have been sent home, our office is working on our lists of students moving in and moving out of Beaver Creek. At this time, we are not aware of any teachers not returning to Beaver Creek.

There will be arrival/dismissal changes at Beaver Creek for next year. Not sure of all the details yet, and these will be shared in back to school letters. The bus drop off/pick up area will be on the east side of the school. Parent drop off/pick up will be on the south side of the school. This drive will become one way, with entry on the southeast side and exit on the southwest side. Registration for transportation will be on-line, and a link will be sent to families as soon as it is available.

Our front entrance will be remodeled to create a secured entrance this summer. The reception area and mail room will be flipped, and all visitors will need to go through the office after the start of the school day. Construction begins on June 6.

4th grade career fairs last week. Digital Starlab is at Beaver Creek this week in fourth grade.

April is busy with events at Beaver Creek.

April 5: Meals from the Heartland

April 11: MAP testing week

- April 14: 4th grade to Exercise your Character Day
1st/2nd grade vocal concerts
- April 21: Steps for STEAM/STEM walk with rain date of April 28
- April 26: Kindergarten vocal concerts
- April 28: Beaver Creek Fine Arts Night

President's Report

Kristy Houghton

- Meals from the Heartland April 5th
- Spring Fundraiser needs volunteers, Tuesday, April 21st
- **Committee Chair positions available; email Toni @ bcpto.vicepresident@gmail.com**
 - Vice President
 - Incoming Treasurer
 - Incoming Secretary for 2017-2018
 - Box Tops
 - Fall Fundraiser
 - Fall Reading Event
 - Family Activities
 - Friends of Beaver Creek
 - Volunteer Workshop
 - Book Fair (2 spots available)
- 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

Vote to Approve March 7, 2016 Minutes

Tracy Walker motioned to approve; Rita Holter seconded
Approved

Treasurer's Report

Tara Hartman

Vote to Approve Treasurer's report

Brian Hurley motioned to approve; Tracy Walker seconded
Approved

Spring Grants

Four teacher requests (totaling \$4249.65) + Overage (\$750.35) to Book Room (leveled texts that stay at school) + President's discretionary funds toward Book Room (\$1400)

Sara Hentscher motioned to approve; Tracy Walker seconded

Draft a grant summary form (for inclusion in award letter) so PTO receives some feedback regarding outcomes.

Move Capital Expense Fund dollars into a Money Market account

Author Fund was created as a way to allow for unexpected expenses to the PTO for district-wide author visits. Should the dollars be shifted to wider-impact equipment, etc.?

Committee Reports

5th Grade Event

Tracy Walker

- Being held May 17th at Hidden Acres in Dayton.
- 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.
- Thank you to a great committee for helping out with the event. I could have asked for a better group of ladies and of course Allen! J
- We have enough to cover the cost of the event. YEAH! Thank you to all the parents who donated \$\$ to make this event a great success.
- 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. Thank you to Karmen for compiling this list.
- We received 16 entries for the cover contest. Committee members are choosing the top 5 and the kids will vote on those by the end of the week.
- Memory Book is close to being finished. The questionnaires are all done but 1 and have been entered into the book. Thank you to Sara Hentscher for spending hours typing all those answer ins and deciphering some pretty creative handwriting. Need 2 more Kindergarten pics, cover, individual classroom pics and candid pics. If you have any candid pics of 5th grade activities please email to tracy@permaform.net. If you already submitted any 5th grade pics to the Yearbook committee we have those. Final approval will goto teachers next week and Joan the following week. The books will be on the desks when they return from their trip on the 17th.
- We decided to go with the purple drawstring bag to be used on the day of the event. Outside will have the J fire logo and Class of 2023 on it. Each child will receive a bag with a few goodies inside. All those have yet to be determined. We have an activity book and pencil so far. See what our budget is as time gets closer. Thank you to Carolyn Miner for coordinating the order for the bags and Tara Hartman for coordinating the activity packet.
- The lifeguards we arranged fell through. We are looking for 2 college students who are lifeguard certified to come along on the trip. Pay is \$65 person. Price includes transportation but must bring their own lunch. I have contacted Coach Lake of the Blaze, Coach Walling at Summit, Deb Blanchard at Summit. They are looking for me but no one so far. Please share with anyone you know. Thanks.
- Permission slips will going out at the end of April beginning of May.
- Pray for NO rain this year and warm weather.
- Next committee meeting (still time to join our fun group) is April 25th at 7 PM. Location to be determined. If interest email Tracy Walker at tracy@permaform.net. All are welcome to join.

Staff Appreciation

Toni White

First week of May (Star Wars theme)

Chair Massages, Dessert Day, Yogurt Bar day, etc.

Admin Assistant day

Yearbook

Sara Hentscher

332 sold copies

Pages are all done; being proofed now

Spring Fundraiser

Brian Hurley

5k/1mile walk/run on April 21st (rain date 28th)

Parents are invited to walk/run with their students

Fundraising for STEM equipment

Spring Book Fair

Rita Holter

Thanks to all the volunteers, staff for support

\$11,167.38 doesn't include free books \$2083.77

\$1064.66 free books to teachers

\$898.32 gift certificates to Toot's kids

\$129.79 to Book Fair volunteers (buy 4, 5th book free)

Profit: \$2,364.55

Will not do the BOGO sale this year

Outdoor Classroom

Laura Sinnard

- Last fall the committee got together and cleaned up the garden for the winter and planted several new mums that added some fall color. Molly, a landscaper we are lucky to have on the committee, trimmed up the bushes and shrubs to prepare them for winter. (She is a godsend to have on the committee.)
- The committee spent several hours a week ago and did all trimming needed for spring and bagged up all the dead leaves, grasses, etc. In the next week or two we will be looking at the garden to determine what we might want to buy to enhance it and continue to improve it. Garden centers are just getting all geared up for spring so it will be a great time.
- A huge thanks to the staff at Beaver Creek for disposing of the twelve yard bags we filled while cleaning up!
- I'll keep you posted on what we continue to do this spring

Old Business

None

New Business

Fall Reading Event

Kristy Houghton

Discussion. Recommended to discontinue this event.

Family Activities

Kristy Houghton

Will combine All-School Event, Family Activities, and New Families committees for next year.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Rita Holter; seconded by Tracy Walker

Meeting adjourned 8:54pm