

Beaver Creek Elementary  
PTO Meeting  
11/10/2015

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm

### **Principal's Report**

**Mr. Toot**

- First trimester done on November 6
- PT conferences coming on November 12 and 17
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade vocal concerts on November 23 at 6:15 and 7:30
- Great band concert in mid-October
- Field Trips
  - Biz Town, Apple Orchard, Living History Farms,
- Lock down drill practiced last week.
- Progress report letters and progress report changes
  - S/D
  - 1, 2, 3
- Cultural Learning Opportunities
- Supply drive for Johnston Partnership
- Little Free Library-would like to do two of these. One on our school grounds and the other at Chapel Ridge. This would require some financial support (maybe spring fundraiser) and some book drives to stock the libraries.
- Busing conversations are beginning. Public meetings coming soon.

### **President's Report**

**Kristy Houghton**

- Thank You
  - Thank you to Rita H. and Abby H. for organizing and promoting the Monster Book Fair.
  - Thank you to Becky Janni for planning the exciting Fall Reading Event (see below for more details).
  - Thank you to Terri Morgan and Ashley Brown for a wonderful end to the Box Tops for Recess Campaign! Thank you for putting your time and effort into this!
  - Thank you to all that came to the October PTO meeting and voted to approve \$5,000 in grant money to go directly to the Beaver Creek teacher book room. Everyone in the school will benefit from this generous donation from parents to make our school even more enhanced.
  - Thank you to Allen for making ongoing changes to the website. We are blessed to have such an updated outlet for our parents, teachers and interested parties know what we are doing at Beaver Creek.
  - Thank you to Toni White - Teacher and Staff appreciation chairperson for appreciating our bus driver and the BC Custodian staff this month. We really appreciate them and it is nice to recognize them a little more!
  - Thank you Joni Schrad for making the rounds on all the classrooms and teachers to acquire the wish lists and having Allen H. put them up the website. This makes it so much easier for parents to purchase items for the teachers if they are not able to be in the classroom. Thank you!
  - Thank you to Susan Bailey for the awesome homecoming decorations and making our school look wonderful!
  - Thank you to Amanda Cheese for putting together the newsletter for the BC families every month. It is also appreciated that you send us reminders for getting it in on time!
  - Thank you to all parent volunteers for coming and volunteering in the classrooms each and every week.
  - Thank you to Mr. Toot, Mrs. Joan and Mrs. Jane for your continued support.

- Cultural Arts
  - Plan will be made in the next few weeks
- Spring Fundraiser – 5k run
  - Brian Hurley chair
  - April 21, April 28 back up date
  - 1 mile walk for the younger grades
  - Yet to identify the item for which the funds are being raised
- Yearbook Photos
  - Chairs, please take photos of your events for the yearbook
  - Send to Sara Hentscher (sarahentscher@mchsi.com), Tracy Walker

**Secretary’s Report**

- October Meeting Minutes
  - Motioned to Approve – Toni White
  - Seconded – Terri Morgan
  - Approved

**Treasurer’s Report**

**Tara Hartman**

- Report
  - Motioned to approve – Joni Schrad
  - Second – Rita Holter
  - Approved

**Committee Reports**

Box Tops

Terri Morgan

- Fall 2015 efforts collected 4,903 box tops
- \$503.20 + \$225.00 from last spring after March submission date
- Looking for another idea for winter incentive

Fall Reading Event

Becky Janni

- Barnes and Noble on University
- November 29<sup>th</sup> 1:00 – 4:00p
- Proceeds from sales in store and online (for a window of time)
- 1-4pm Star Wars activities
- Pianists needed
- Need more exposure for pianists
- Need volunteers for 90 minute shifts
  - Allen will add to the website and facebook

Book Fair

Abby Hawes, read by Jamie Rehmman

- Monster Book Fair
- Nov 10<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>

Staff Appreciation

Toni White

- Conference Staff Dinner
  - Tuesday
- December Cookie Event
  - Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

## **Old Business**

### Grade-Level Events

Toni White

- Survey results pointed to one all-school event
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade celebration will remain the same as in previous years
- Options:
  - Skip this year
  - Plan something smaller this year
    - Roller skating was discussed
- Motion to move forward with an all-school skating event in January or February 2016 (if late February, the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will have had skating in PE)
  - Motioned - Toni White
  - Second – Tara Hartman
  - Approved

## **New Business**

### Website Updates

Allen Hentscher

- Enhancements and updates are ongoing
- Contact Allen if you need something put on the website or facebook

### Busing Issue

Allen Hentscher

- Has had contact with several school board members
- There is no plan to have a parent committee
- If you feel there should be one, reach out to your school board members

### Supply Drive

Toni White

- Mr. Toot suggested we work with the Johnston Partnership because it serves the Johnston community
- Hold our own drives to collect items needed by the Partnership
- Suggestion: District-wide 5<sup>th</sup> grade event (split any profit among the elementary schools)

## **Adjournment**

- Motion - Joni Schrad
- Seconded – Terri Morgan
- Adjourned