

Beaver Creek Elementary  
PTO Meeting  
12/08/2015

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

**Principal's Report** (Mr. Toot's notes)

**Mr. Toot**

- BC Showtime Incentive-BC3/PBIS. Culminating event will be December 18.
- Teachers are enjoying the lack of boots/snowpants so far this winter season.
- Conferences went well. Hope the online scheduling tool was user friendly. Big thanks for the Jethro's dinner on the 17<sup>th</sup>!
- Great 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade concerts on November 23. Next concert at Beaver Creek is a band concert on February 8, combined 5<sup>th</sup> grade band and vocal.
- New lights in entry way-nice and bright
- Hour of code introduction taking place during library classes this week. <http://hourofcode.com/us>
- Nutcracker Field trip for third graders this Friday.
- Winter parties and winter sing along on December 22.
- 2016-17 Kindergarten registration night on January 12. Starting to gather a list of names of incoming Kindergarten students. Please pass along any names/families you are aware of.
- Iowa Assessments at the end of January.
- Roller skating in grades 3, 4 and 5 in late January/early February.
- Book room task force. We have a committee working on how to spend the \$5,000 granted by the PTO to enhance our book room.
- Congressional approval coming for Every Student Succeeds, replacing No Child Left Behind. Will have some impact on school designations. Attendance center rankings will be available to the public in the near future. Good chance Iowa will move to the Smarter Balance assessment for the state test. This will be voted on by the Iowa Legislature this year.
- School rankings: We are striving to get better, but there is still much to celebrate!  
<https://k12.niche.com/rankings/public-elementary-schools/best-overall/s/iowa/>

**President's Report**

**Kristy Houghton**

- Thank You
  - Michelle Herbst + committee for Movie night
  - Abby Hawes and Rita Holter for the Fall Book Fair
  - Becky Janni + committee for the Fall Reading event
    - Update provided in January
  - Homeroom parents for holiday party planning
- Volunteer Workshop
  - Getting more projects coming through
  - Brooke Israel will send out an email
- School-wide Skating event
  - Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 6-8p
  - Need a chairperson
  - Cost per person to be determined
  - Food pantry donation?

## Secretary's Report

- November Meeting Minutes
  - Motioned to Approve – Tracy Walker
  - Seconded – Sara Hentscher
  - Approved

## Treasurer's Report

Kristy Houghton for Tara Hartman

- Report
  - Motioned to approve – Joni Schrad
  - Second – Toni White
  - Approved

## Committee Reports

- Staff Appreciation Toni White
  - Jethro's meal at conferences was great
    - Thanks for all the donations!
  - December Cookie Event
    - Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>
    - Sign up is still available
- Yearbook Tracy Walker, Sara Hentscher
  - Need photos! Classrooms, field trips, events – send to Tracy or Sara
  - Sold 251 copies already; 365 last year (68% of last year's total)
  - \$4172 paid out for deposit (75%)

## Old Business

## New Business

## Adjournment

- Motion – Sara Hentscher
- Seconded – Terri Morgan
- Adjourned 7:49pm