



Beaver Creek PTO December Meeting Notes

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Location: Beaver Creek Elementary Library

In Attendance: Jennie Anderson, Sara Lahey, Erin Hass, Mackenzie Thompson, Allison Tegtmeier, Alicia Hyde, Janette Seybert, Michelle McDonald, Korissa Lassen, Susie Jorgensen, Nick Gomez, Amy Swaim, Heidi Perman, Cindy Rash, Maggie Blanchard, Brooke Stewart, Tania Barbosa, Stacy Koenigs, Nicole Rourke, Erin Olson, Jennifer Emblen, Renee Haugland, Kristina Srsha, Alaina Small, Vanessa Valigosky, Christy Willis, Angie Mumma, Louise Price, Kelly Snow, Ariana Twitty, Jodi Polich

Principal's Report – Mr. Toot

- The playground equipment (funded by last year's Fun Run Spring Fundraiser) has been installed. The school district helped fund the install.
- The fifth grade band concert was held Dec 3 and the third grade classes will be attending The Nutcracker this week.
- A movie, with popcorn incentive, for the last week of school before Winter Break.
- Student Leadership is hosting a supply drive for needed household items for the Johnston Partnership.
- All 150 of our Star Cards, that fill wishes for families and kids in need, were picked up from our office. There were 300 distributed in the area.
- Dan Loy was named as a finalist in Iowa's Teacher of the Year. He will be recognized for his award later this year.
- Winter parties are set for Dec 20 at 2:30 until the end of the school day.
- The buildings next to the school have been sold and are in the process of being removed.
- On January 22 the author of Pete the Cat will present to the entire school.

President's Report – Jennie Anderson

- We will posting PTO highlights on Instagram starting in 2020. A hardcopy of the newsletter will also be given out in January. We appreciate the help offered by the Student Leadership at the restaurant nights and the publicity around the school for events.

Vice President's Report – Liz Neighbors

- We will be highlighting a Beaver Creek family on the Beaver Creek Facebook page starting in January.

Secretary's Report

- **Motion to approve the November 2019 minutes as presented was made by Sara Lahey, seconded by Tania Barbosa. Motion passed.**

Treasurer's Report

- Bank Checking Account Reconciliation Report – ending balance of \$19,227.15 as of 11/30/19.
Bank Savings Account Report - ending balance of \$13,873.43 as 11/30/2019.

Committee Reports

- Book Fair - We have funded the extra items with Scholastic Dollars this year to bring down the costs and have used the older students to help the younger ones during viewing times. We

were able to use books to reward the students who completed the Summer Reading Program. A profit of about \$2,400.00 was made. The Ewallet was tried this year and we will look into a way of making it available to set up gift cards for teachers. We are looking into ways to communicate the Summer Reading program to parents over the summer months.

- Family Activities - The Winter Meltdown is scheduled for the evening of January 24th. There will be many areas to help with this event. Currently we need parents to help with lining up food donations, decorating and games. Skake Night will be on Tuesday December 17th from 5-8pm at Skateland formerly Skate North.
- Staff Appreciation
 - Thank you to the Staff Appreciation Committee (Katie Talley, Shearell Heyliger, Julia Griffin, Allison Tegtmeier and Toni White) for their work on the Staff dinner during conferences. We had great partners - Pagliai's Pizza donated all of the pizza, HyVee donated veggie and fruit trays and cookies and Fareway donated tableware, chips and sodas. We ordered salad from JCSD catering to round out the menu. The staff had great feedback and they really appreciated the food and being well cared for. Thank you also to Kenzie Thompson for her amazing sign work; and to Joan and Mr. Toot for their help and support!
 - Four Beaver Creek teachers recently had babies and/or returned from maternity leave. The Staff Appreciation committee provided \$25 Target gift cards to each of them on behalf of PTO.
 - The Cookie Walk is scheduled for Thursday, December 19 from 11-4 PM in the Art Plus room. (The date changed after our last PTO meeting). So far, volunteers have signed up to donate close to 900 cookies. That's fantastic progress but we still have a ways to go to get to almost 2000 cookies. For marketing efforts - Joan distributed the link in the last newsletter and we have asked her to include a donation request in the upcoming newsletters, Jennie will send an e-mail request to all PTO members and BC PTO Facebook posts will also request donations. Thank you to those of you have signed up already to donate, and if you haven't yet and are able to, please visit the sign up genius.
 - We need volunteers to work shifts during the Cookie Walk from 11-4 PM. Responsibilities include welcoming staff members, marking their names off on a list, handing out containers and keeping the cookie trays full.
- Yearbook - A draft of the classrooms will be given to teachers to proof at the end of January.
- 5th Grade Celebration - Currently reaching out to people to be on the committee and meeting with Easter Seals to go over the contract and timeframe of the event.

Unfinished/Old Business

No old business was discussed.

New Business

No new business was raised.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:02PM.