

PTO Exec Meeting

Buzz Book Tools for 2017-2018-Maria Wetzel

- There are a lot of things we can do with the buzz book software for next year. Donations to PTO, sign ups can all be done through the buzz book. When we do initial confirm/add info to buzz book at the beginning of the year, Maria can have the software prompt them to sign up for committees or make a donation (money would go to PayPal account and reports can be printed). Room parents have the ability to go in and send an email to the entire class through the buzz book software. It's a good idea to try this system, committees that get started right at the beginning of the year will need to have good communication with the new program.

Principal Report-Nancy Zitzmann

- May 1st morning exec meeting Mrs. Zitzmann won't be able to attend
- Bill for playground parts came in for \$290.00
- Lori Boothman asking about mystery science website. \$499 for school membership. Membership increases to \$1500 after the first year-Approved. Addendum, after being approved by the PTO, Mrs. Zitzmann found out that the district is purchasing this program for the entire district so it does not need to be funded by the PTO
- Best fund Becky James, new sand and water table needed \$470.10-Approved
- Emily Bushmann Best request for summer institute at COCA STEM workshop, tool kit #1 fundamental learning. \$199-Approved
- PE teachers are requesting some field day items. An outdoor portable volleyball x 2 (107.98), foam blaster water shooter 12 pack (11.95), army men (144 pack \$6.500, sponges 5 pack x2 \$17.92, and bunch o balloons (100 pack x7) \$62.37 for a total of \$210.00. They also need field day bracelets for groups, 22 bags @ \$6.99. There is a line item for field day for \$250. These total \$364. Will pay the \$250 out of the field day budget and use the general PTO budget to cover the rest.
- We received the \$20,000 grant from the playground resurfacing. We have around \$300 left after buying chrome books for grades K, 1, and 2
- Dr. Simpson sent a request that PTO and teachers not talk about election tomorrow or endorse a candidate

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- Mr. Senti wants to continue the bulldog bulletin next year. Need someone to take over bulletin for next year.
- Thursday night is BE equity group We story kids being presented at the PTO meeting followed by Bravo concert.

Teacher Report-Clint Woodfin

- April and May are busy at school. Lots of field trips, testing, and end of year celebrations.
- Map testing starts next week for 5th grade, 3rd grade is the week of the 17th, 4th is the week of the 24th
- Is teacher liaison position a one year or a two year position? Should Mr. Woodfin look for a replacement. It is usually a one year position and they will ask at faculty meeting next week for a new volunteer

Presidents' report-Becky Hauser, Deborah Nobis

- Peace core parent Q&A meeting was last week. Not a great turnout but went fairly well. Issues raised with communication about peace core. We are looking into communication for the future. Would like to do a survey of teachers, older kids, and parents after program wraps up to get their feedback. It was decided that feedback as soon as the program ends would be the best to avoid end of the year busyness.
- Exec board slate has been filled and voted on. All approved by exec board.
 - Jamie Baley-Co-president
 - Dana Bosler-1st VP
 - Nicole Speigel-2nd VP-Foundation Rep
 - Elyssa Sullivan-2nd VP-BOE Rep
 - Centron Felder-Corresponding Secretary
 - Kathryn Duckworth-Recording Secretary
- Ice cream truck is booked for 5/4 at 1:00 p.m. for Map testing
- Kindergarten preview on 4/25, PTO will be present to introduce PTO, Stephanie will have welcoming committee there to help out and she will introduce welcome committee role to incoming kindergartners
- Back to school picnic will be first Sunday after school starts, 8/20

1st Vice Presidents' Report-Jody Forsee, Naomi Neal

- Evites are going out this week for committee appreciation party at Llywelyns on 5/4
- Book fair had \$6100 in sales during literacy night. About \$3800 went to the library to purchase books
- Should we move the book fairs to August and November next year to coincide when conferences are? Mrs. Zitzmann/Jody to discuss with book fair chairs.
- Blacktop ball Laura Fairbanks and Anne Lamitola are in charge and we will double check that it is under control
- Still need 4th grade parent to run breakfast for 5th grade graduation and fundraising for next year
- Healthy kids week will not happen this year due to the new mindfulness program, can reevaluate next year
- Chipotle dining to donate night made around \$1000, will do again in future
- Recruiting for committees next year is going on now, emails coming in already from people interested

2nd Vice Presidents' Report-Katie Franke, Holly Kunze

- Spring for schools is coming up on 4/11
- Webster on Wheels is 5/7 1-5 p.m. at Bristol
- Equity and social justice resolution. The board discussed the idea of approving an equity and social justice resolution and reviewed a draft document. The board asked the superintendent to share the draft with the Equity in Education team for their comments.
- Board self-evaluation. Mr. Shipley said that he preferred that the board hold this session, scheduled for March 27, in public and on district property. Other members said that an off-site session allows them to communicate more freely. They noted that no public business will be done at the session.

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- Community outreach. The board discussed conducting a survey to get community feedback periodically. They asked the superintendent to forward the questions from the 2015 online survey to them to consider using in a future questionnaire.
- Board agenda. Mr. Shipley said that board policy would allow a member to make a motion to put an agenda item on a future agenda. He had tried to do that at the last board meeting.
- 2017-18 Teacher salary schedule. The board revised the teacher salary schedule and approved a one-year agreement recommended by the Certified Staff Salary Committee that will provide more competitive starting salaries and eventually cost less than the former salary structure. The estimated increase in net cost from the new schedule is 2.115 percent. The committee developed the new schedule with a focus on making it competitive, equitable, sustainable and something the community would support.
- The committee worked to ensure that the new schedule would not result in reducing any teacher's current salary. It has estimated that when fully implemented, the new schedule will cost about \$500,000 less than the old schedule.

Treasurer Report-Denice Cusumano, Sarah Calame

- \$75,000 is current balance
- PTO insurance has been paid, was around \$400
- Best requests listed above were all approved
- \$100 bill to teachers needs to be given out from trivia money, need to come up with an idea to package, will do during teacher appreciation week after MAP testing
- WE stories paid for from \$1000 grant from foundation and \$600 will come from PTO
- Need to write thank you notes to men who built gaga ball pits
- Need to follow up with Furfaro about landscaping around marquee

Welcome Committee-Stephanie Simpson

- Back to school picnic date set for next year, planning under way
- Ambassador families will be set up at the start of the school year next year
- T-shirts and new family bags are on point for next year

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- Welcome committee will promote signing up for buzz books with new families for next year to be sure everyone knows and signs up
- WE story kits were made this weekend, they will be shared Thursday at the PTO meeting
- The kits will be available to be checked out, there 10 different themed kits, each kit has 5-7 books and a folder with questions/topics to discuss
- WE story kits can be checked out at PTO meeting Thursday, feedback is wanted if you take one home.
- They still need to figure out checkout system, maybe check out through the library
- They are going to also make a video to share at a foundation meeting that shows the kits in action
- The kits need to be shared at the Bristol staff meeting next week, teachers can use kits in classroom
- Amy Hunter will be speaking 4/17, hoping to continue a speaker series next year and other schools will sponsor different speakers, will pay her \$500 from welcome committee budget

Upcoming Dates

- April 6-General PTO meeting, 6 p.m. in Library, Bravos Concert at 7 p.m.
- MAP testing this month April 12-14
- April 17-Amy Hunter 7 p.m. at Steger Auditorium
- April 25-Kindergarten Preview-4 p.m. Library/Classroom

Principal report addendum from 3/5-email from Mrs. Zitzmann

We approved a prescription to Mystery Science Monday evening. Well, the District is purchasing it for the entire District – so we can take that \$500 off the table. The 5th grade, however, is requesting \$595 for the World Bird Sanctuary to visit as part of their science curriculum. Would it be ok to switch the funds from Mystery Science to World Birds? It is \$95 more, as we had asked for \$500 and now need \$595. Your response is appreciated! Nancy Z

This \$595 was approved by the exec board on 4/5

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Mike Muldrow has requested \$500 to take the 5th grade class to the Science Center. They are going at the end of this month, so I have to ask for approval via email, rather than wait until the next Exec meeting. Please let me know if you approve of \$500 for 5th grade Science Center. Thank you! Nancy Z. This was approved using best fund money.