

Beagle Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes September 11, 2017

In attendance: Amy Ellsworth, Kristy Welch, Cindy Hoskins, Meghan Ritchey, Lanta Winn, Beth Curran, Kari Oberdank, Lindsay Trevains, Ally Briggs, Ashleigh Shepard, Shannon Black, Rachel Shafer, Chelsea VanWagner, Sarah Atkins, Emily Rush, Jennifer Munoz, Halima el-Salayman, Lorene Kappler, and Emily Tekavec.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.

Welcome and Introductions.

We went around the room and introduced ourselves. There were many new faces tonight.

Approval of the Minutes from our last meeting.

Lindsay Trevains moved to approve the Minutes from the May 8, 2017 meeting, seconded by Beth Curran. The Minutes were approved.

Approval of the Agenda.

Lindsay Trevains moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Amy Ellsworth. The agenda was approved.

Principal Report-Dawn Kennaugh (absent).

--Happy 25th Anniversary to Dawn and her husband!

--Thank you to the PTO for the back to school treats

--Picture day is tomorrow

--DIBELS testing is going on in grades 1-3. NWEA is all done except for a few make-ups.

--Each elementary building has a newly-hired math interventionist that is going to be teaching from a program called Delta Math. It involves a pre-assessment to determine what incoming skill(s) from the previous grade students may be lacking. Intervention is planned after the data is collected; some intervention may be done by the classroom teacher, while some will be done by the interventionist. It all depends on the pre-assessment data.

--Data days are coming up for grade level teams to discuss all of the assessment data we've collected & plan instructional intervention accordingly.

--Our Summer Reading Challenge was a success. #BeagleReads was fun to see on Twitter & on the PTO FB page. We gave away over 100 books to 60+ students last week. We'll definitely continue that challenge in the future. In fact, the district literacy coach was inspired by the idea and is talking about setting up a GL Reads FB page.

President Report-Kristy Welch

--Welcome back for teachers. The PTO restocked the two work rooms with basic office supplies. We also delivered "survival kits" to each teacher. They were mason jars filled with little essentials to help get through the first week back.

--Our fall fundraiser has started and goes through Sept. 18. Some of the food items in the catalogs are not currently available to order online, but Kristy is looking into that. There has also been some issues with ordering online and be able to ship to the school. Kristy will be talking with our rep tonight to hopefully get it sorted out. Several parents in attendance expressed a wish to simply donate money instead. Checks made out to Beagle PTO are always accepted. We discussed the possibility of creating a prize for students who raise a lot of money through donations instead of the fundraiser, but have not finalized anything yet.

--Spring Fundraiser: When we surveyed families last spring, the top choices for a spring fundraiser were pizza kits or a Color Run. We have some concerns about the logistics of a Color Run and would need a parent who was passionate about it, to step up and organize it.

Vice President Report-Nikki Selleck (absent)

--Box Tops: Cindy Hoskins - We will do about 4 Box Tops contests this year. The first one will start in a week or so and run through Oct. 20. The winning class will get cider and donuts. There are daily contests on the box tops website. Feel free to visit boxtops4education.com often and enter for Beagle. The more of us who do, the better our chances of winning something.

--We did get a small check for coke rewards last year. If you are interested, you can enter the code on the inside of coke product caps online. Caps are worth 5 cents for the school.

Secretary Report-Amy Ellsworth

--No report.

Treasurer Report-Beth Curran

--Budget Approval. Beth presented the proposed budget for the 2017-2018 school year. Amy Ellsworth moved to approve the budget, seconded by Lindsay Trevains. The budget was approved.

--Audit Committee. We need three volunteers to perform the audit of last year's finances. Lindsay Trevains, Rachel Shafer, and Halima el-Sulayman volunteered.

--Documents explaining our procedures and teacher allowances will be put into teacher mailboxes this week.

Public Relations Report-Kate Jenkins (absent).

--No report.

Activities Coordinator Report-Lindsay Trevains

--We still need chairs for a few events:

A&W night on Oct. 9

Fall Luncheon (someone to work with Kate in the fall and run the luncheon in the spring during conference week)

Spirit Wear (this year we are combining our two spirit wear events into one. Orders will arrive just before Christmas break. There will be GL apparel and our Beagle contest design winner)

Holiday Goodie Trays

Teacher Appreciation Week in May

6th grade recognition

If you are interested in chairing any of these events, contact Lindsay Trevains.

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Old Business

--No old business.

New Business

--No new business

Announcements

--Next meeting is October 9 at 6:30pm

Adjournment

--The meeting was adjourned at 7:14.