PTO Meeting of the 2023-2024 School Year September 12, 2023

President: :Laurie Madsen Treasurer: Carrie Minkler Secretary: Courtney Sroka Vice President Kim Colleen Co-Treasurer: Rachel Turetsky

Present via Google Meet: Laurie, Carrie, Rachel, Courtney, Tracy Kent, David Bernsley, Amy Glickman, Matthew Turetsky, Jessica Rontey, Renee Flynn, Kara Wilson, Rebecca Corbett

Principal's Report: Tracy Kent BES- Excited for the start of the school year. Working on developing routines and the new start and end times along with bus routes. Amy Glickman presented about the excitement with summer reading coming to an end this Friday. Local libraries also participated and we are hoping to have them participate again next year. Going to continue the camping theme with s'more ice cream to celebrate the end of summer reading. David Bernsley- Excited to be starting at BCSD. Working on setting expectations for classrooms, hallways and lunchrooms. Getting time schedule down for buses. He has an open door policy and believes in open communication at all times.

Treasurer's Report: Book fair payment from last year is all settled up. There were some problems with the online account but it seems to be resolved. There was a submission for Senior Sunrise that was approved to be reimbursed. Will put together a list of what the PTO sponsors so the community can be aware of what the PTO helps with and the amount the PTO is able to give back to the community with the sponsored events. Shutterfly kickback was deposited. Amount was around \$300. Yearbook money was finalized. Continue to work on how the PTO money will be split between BES and MSHS as this is the second year we will be a combined group.

Upcoming: Open house will be September 27th from 5:30pm-730pm at the MS/HS. Open house for BES will be 10/04/23. Picture day will be 10/04/23 at BES and the Scholastic Book Fair will be set up on 10/04/23 and will run 10/05/23-10/06/23 at BES. If the book fair is able to be set up on 10/03/23 then there will be an opportunity for it to be open for the BES open house. Volunteer sign ups will be made and posted for help with these events. PTO discussed and agreed to being at each open house with a guess at the candy jar amount and basket raffle. Laurie will get the candy jar and Courtney will work on the basket. Fall fest will be at the MSHS on October 14th.

Current: Was exciting to have new parents join the virtual PTO meeting. Mrs.Kent was able to send out a mass email with the link to the district and hoping to be able to continue to do this. PTO will continue to work on how to recruit volunteers and get the community more involved in the PTO. Maybe long term commitment is not possible but creating a list of volunteers who may be able to bake, help at a concert, book fair etc. Also maybe a volunteer wants to organize an event such as a dance etc. Maybe setting up a volunteer coordinator position would also be helpful.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday October 10, 2023 at 6:30pm via google meet. Mrs Kent will send out another mass email link.