

June 11, 2024 Meeting

Attendance via Google Meet: Tracy Kent, Jodi Cataldo, Kim Colleen, Courtney Sroka, Rachel Turetsky, David Bernsley, Carrie Minkler, Renee Van Keuren, James Taylor Shaw

Old Business: Bake Sales at concerts MS/HS around \$150.00 to be deposited. Book Fair was a success around \$5,000 in sales, final count not done. Money given to 5th grade for the end of year gifts. Also drinks donated to 8th graders for the moving up ceremony.. Cupcakes and drinks for the award ceremony tomorrow (Wednesday). Smith 5k/refund for bounce house has been deposited.

Principal Report

Elementary: Mrs.Kent is retiring. Thanked the PTO for all the work they have done with her to help students/staff. Will be working until November and will help as needed if she can. Mrs. Cataldo is excited to continue working with the PTO. Senior Walk Thru at Elementary School 9:30 am on Thursday. 5th Grade is going to MS/HS to walk thru for a preview to their 6th Grade Year. 5th grade graduation will be happening. Pre K moving up, PE Fun Day
MS/HS Mr. Bernsley: Will clarify senior walk thru time tomorrow with Ms. Day. He has been meeting with clubs and committees to help them organize fundraisers for upcoming trips due to budget. Helping them to plan how they can do this for next year. Would like a PTO member to present next year so clubs know who the PTO is and how they can help so they can continue to go on their trips and events despite the budget. Hope to have staff join the PTO next year.

Upcoming/New: PTO Scholarships were decided. Music/ Community Service/Sports They will be Presented at awards ceremony tomorrow. Lifetouch emailed dates for next year.

Officers for next year. Meeting over the summer? Meeting in August?

James Taylor-Shaw. Grant money received for BES Restorative Practices Committee/make a basket for each class with money from their grant. A lot of the items are already prepared, but add items like yoga cards/timers/body movements/helping students to calm down/create calm corners etc. Carrie explained that the committee has an earmark on her records and as they spend if they submit the receipt she can deduct and write a check for reimbursement. Possibly getting coral club on an earmark/hearing what they have.

Treasures Reports: Capcom is now Broadview. Due to this there has been trouble logging into the account. \$62.90 in boxtops deposited. Book Fair was deposited. Buy one get one takes a large part of the profit but we do get scholastic dollars. Watch the scholastic dollars so they do not expire. 5th Grade \$165.00 for gifts, they also have some funds left from bronx zoo that will go into PTO for gifts. Carrie will write out checks for PTO winners tomorrow/3 scholarships at \$200.00 each. Ambassadors submitted reimbursement. Kindergarten reimbursement sent. Once balances can be obtained via an online account she will update the report.

Next Year: Meeting on August 13th at 6:30pm. Supply drop off will be the start of September on the 2nd day of Superintendents day. Does the PTO want to set up that day at BES? At the MS/HS 2nd day of Superintendents day will be a BBQ for staff by Mr Bernsely, does the PTO want to help out that day? Continuing to have virtual options for next year, seems to allow for

more flexibility for people to come. Need to come up with ideas to try and get parents involved/volunteering. Work on more communication in the MS/HS next year to make known what the PTO can offer for the students. Fundraiser ideas for next year.

Thank you to Laurie Madsen for her service to the PTO over the years.

Officers for next year:

Co-Presidents: Kim Colleen/Courtney Sroka

Secretary: Courtney Sroka

Treasurer: Carrie Minkler with Co Treasurer Rachel Turetsky