

Bear Creek PTO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by Tara Oltmans, Co-President.

In Attendance:

Linda Bell	Amanda Hulse	Tara Oltmans	Elizabeth Whitney	June Shepherd
Jill Hoffman	Sheila Hartman	Dr. Annette Spagnolo	Liz Datorre	Beth Williams
Michelle Rudy				

Minutes from Previous Meeting: Meeting minutes from November 9, 2016 were reviewed. June Shephard made a motion to approve, Elizabeth Whitney seconded. All in favor, November minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Updates: The first box top check arrived and it was for \$3,480.80. Teachers are slowly turning in reimbursement forms. June Shepherd made a motion to approve the budget, Elizabeth Whitney 2nd. All in favor, budget approved.

Principal's Report: Dr. Spagnolo reported: The Lemonade Wars is being read and activities are being held surrounding the story. An announcement can be found on the portal that includes all of the information regarding the plan for the book.

2 hour delay update: Parents must re-sign up for call notification. Link can be found on the portal or by following <http://www.etownschoools.org/page/7550>

Reminder that if a student has not completed their physical form, they will not be able to attend the Bear Creek Bash. This is a state requirement.

Teacher Updates: None reported.

Standing Committees:

- a. **Assemblies:** No assemblies have been held since last meeting. Lemonade Wars author is coming for two days, 4/10-4/11. BMX assembly will be held in the spring.
- b. **Bear Creek Bash:** The 6th grade Bash will be held next Friday. Currently have 150 students registered to attend. Anticipating 250-270 to attend. Key Club and parent volunteers (possibly National Honors Society) are scheduled to assist. Shopping is done. Donations are still be accepted for Bingo prizes.
- c. **Book Fair:** Erin Grosh will be running the Buy 1 get 1 sale. Monday May 1st is family night, set up is Friday April 28th, and sale will run through May 7th. The 6th grade lab will be used for the sale again. We have a new scholastic representative. The theme this spring is Camping.

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d. Box Tops for Education:

The very popular Bear Creek Box Tops Superbowl contest is underway. Each team in each grade is competing to win a Superbowl party on Feb 3rd, the Friday before the Superbowl. The party is typically at the end of the school day and the winning team comes to the cafeteria for pizza, nachos, drinks and dessert, while football highlights are played on the big screen.

The remaining monthly contests are as follows:

February – Pizza

March - Rita's

April - Cupcakes or Bear Paw?

May - Lunch with Friends

The end of the year Grand Prize drawing date will need to be set soon. Prizes will need to be purchased. If anyone has any suggestions for some bigger prize ideas this year, please share. Last year we gave away two Kindle Fires and a Samsung Galaxy tablet.

e. Community Nights: Ice Skating at Click Lewis is coming up on March 1st.

Dinner and Dessert Night is being suggested by Rita's and Vinney and Pat's. 10% will be donated to the PTO. May 10th is being reviewed to see if it will work with Rita's schedule.

f. Community Service: 53 families were served through the giving tree program. All families received a turkey certificate, box of food, gifts, Christmas card, candy cane with Hershey kisses and a \$25 Gene Wenger gift certificate.

g. Fundraising: Sub sale ended today. Details regarding amount raised to come at next meeting. Coming up we will be selling Hershey Park tickets, sales begin in April, and tickets will be arriving in May.

h. Giant A+: We are at 1022 registrations and have earned \$5, 470.66 so far.

i. Holiday Shoppe: Shoppe is complete for this year. A list will be compiled of things that will need to be obtained for next year's sale.

j. Movie Nights

i. **4th grade update:** nothing to report, but will coordinate with Tara & Michelle to find out when they want to pick the movie for the next 4th gr movie night in March. March 14th is the date set.

ii. **5/6th grade update:** March 21st is the date set. Movie not yet decided. Looking for volunteers.

k. Room Parents: No updates at this time

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l. Staff Appreciation: Not much going on at this time. Planning for teacher appreciation week. Isaacs will be purchased as the main meal. Gifts will be provided to the teachers each day.

m. Website – Thank you!

n. Yearbook: Sale flyer will go out next week. \$14 flat fee, no options. *What happened this year* is included in all books. Pictures can be emailed to Tara to be considered for the year book.

Continuing Business: None at this time

New Business:

2017/2018 Executive Committee - At the next meeting we will have a committee in place for the nomination committee and a vote will be held at the May meeting for the PTO executive committee.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm by June Shepherd, Elizabeth Whitney seconded and meeting was adjourned.