

# Bear Creek PTO Meeting Minutes

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**Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm by Tara Oltmans, President.

**In Attendance:**

Amanda Hulse	Tara Oltmans	Kelly Griffith	Beth Williams	Erin Grosh
Annette Spagnolo	Jill Hoffman			

**Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Meeting minutes from March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 were reviewed. Kelly Griffith made a motion to approve, Erin Grosh seconded. All in favor, March 2016 minutes approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Hershey Park and Rockwell's fundraising totals were provided via email. No motion was made due to it being a report received via email.

**Principal's Report: Dr. Spagnolo reported:** Teacher appreciation was phenomenal last week! A huge thank you to all PTO officers and committee chairs for the great job this year in providing amazing opportunities for the students of Bear Creek. Student activity fund was used to bring the Lemonade Wars author and provided books for all students. Hope everyone can come for volunteer appreciation event on May 31st

**Teacher Updates:** No update provided

**Standing Committees:**

- a. **Assemblies:** The upcoming assemblies include a BMX event and the end of year Box Tops event.
- b. **Bear Creek Bash: Message from Cindy Wivell:** *I won't be at the meeting and have no update other than to thank all that helped with the Bash in March. It was a huge success!*
- c. **Book Fair:**  
Erin Grosh reported \$11,550 gross sales, 5% will come back as scholastic dollars. Fall dates are September 25th-October 2nd. Setup on Friday, September 22. Family night Monday, September 25th.  
The purchase of a PTO stamp for use during the Book Fair was approved. It was announced that Emily Sirinezes will be assisting Erin with the 17/18 Book Fair events.
- d. **Box Tops for Education:**  
**Update from Megan Reedy:** *Box Tops have been pouring in for the final contest and grand prize drawing at the end of the school year.*

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*The May contest is Lunch with friends where one grade will win the chance to sit anywhere in the cafeteria for one day. Currently 4th grade is in the lead. The Grand Prize drawing assembly for Box Tops is on Tuesday May 30 at 9am. In the past we would show a prize and draw a name to win that prize. This year we are planning to draw 50 names randomly to come up and draw a prize from a prize box. We draw the name the students draw their prize. We have prizes ranging from \$10 Rita's, iTunes and Sweet Frog gift cards to \$25 and \$50 to Sky Zone, Get Air, iTunes and Under Armor gift cards, a Kindle Fire and a laptop.*

*We will recognize the top homeroom that submitted the most box tops all year and also the Top Team that has turned in the most box tops. The homeroom will get soft pretzels from Philly Pretzel and then we will give the Top Team a King size candy bar or pack of starbursts. In addition we will reward the top 3 students that have submitted the most box tops all year long with a \$50 gift card of their choice (plus they still have a chance to have their name selected during the drawing).*

**e. Community Nights:**

- i. Ice Skating at Click Lewis – about 150 total in attendance
- ii. Vinnie & Pat's and Rita's – We will be looking into a fall event date

**f. Community Service:** There has been no bill received for the turkeys used at Thanksgiving time. No other updates at this time.

**g. Fundraising:**

- i. **Spirit Wear:** Erin Mohr and Amanda Hulse will co-chair Spirit Wear next year.

1. Moving to online ordering through Etown Sporting Goods

**h. Hershey Park: Message from Tina Georges:** *The Hershey Park ticket fundraiser earned about \$460, with about 25 families participating. We also gave tickets for the BOX tops end of the year.*

*I am willing to do this again next year, however I would like someone to work with so they can transition to take it over the following year. Thank you to Tara for her help! Kelly will assist with next year's sale.*

**i. Giant A+: Message from Tracy Billings:** *Our final Giant A+ result is \$10,773.91.*

**j. Holiday Shoppe:** No update at this time

**k. Movie Nights:** Nothing to report other than we had 2 successful movie nights this year!

**l. Room Parents: Message from June:** Room parent binder will be in the PTO mailbox sometime next week so that it is available for next year.

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- m. Staff Appreciation:** Had a week of fun activities, announcements were read and specific teacher info was reported. Monday was donuts, Tuesday was gel pens and post it's, Wednesday was mints, Thursday was lunch and Friday everyone received a marigold.
- n. Website:** Thank you to Ms. Shenk for her continued support!
- o. Yearbook:** 560 yearbooks have been ordered! Consistent with other years. Pages are almost complete. Extras will be ordered. Yearbooks will go home the Tuesday after Memorial Day.

## **Continuing Business:**

**2017/2018 Executive Committee Vote** – The following positions were unanimously approved for the 17/18 school year:

President – Beth Williams

Co Vice Presidents – Erin Mohr & Kelly Griffith

Treasurer – Linda Bell & Donna O'Connell

Secretary – Amanda Hulse

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade End of Year Activity:** Monday June 5<sup>th</sup>, rain date June 6<sup>th</sup> for 6<sup>th</sup> grade end of school year swim party. Cindy will take over next year.

**New Business:** The issue was raised that it has been difficult to get people to volunteer, next year will use remind now and school wide communications to spread the word regarding volunteer needs.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm by Erin Grosh, Kelly Griffith, seconded and meeting was adjourned.