

Bear Creek PTO Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2014

- A. **Attendance:** Hether Schlosser, Rena Lehman, Missy Burkholder, Lori Kolaric, Don Williams, Margaret Williams, Mary Snyder, Amy Burkhart, Rick Hart, Sue Kob, and Jason Kingsborough.
- B. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.
- C. **Approval of Minutes:** Mary Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 26, 2013 meeting; Rena Lehman seconded the motion.
- D. **Treasurer's Report:** Missy Burkholder presented the Treasurer's Report.
- Transactions occurred for Box Tops, Spirit Wear, Mona's Pretzels, Giant A+, Community Service, Holiday Shop, Yearbook, and Teacher Allotment.
 - \$2,466.75 was made from the Spirit Wear fundraiser.
 - Amy Burkhart made a motion to approve the budget; Don Williams seconded the motion.
- E. **Principal's Report:**
- Online scheduler will be available for optional spring conferences. Sign-ups will begin 2/17/14. Conferences will be held on March 5th and 6th.
 - Please have your children dress appropriately for the winter months.
 - Sixth grade physicals are still needed for 100 students. These children have not submitted their paperwork.
 - A fire drill was held on January 27, 2014.
 - Snow make-up days are posted on the school website.
 - Ms. Calderon is Mrs. Weikel's replacement. She was a long-term sub at East High.
- F. **Teacher Updates:**
- All the comments regarding the holiday shop to the teachers was positive. Not one negative experience was reported to the teachers. Thanks to the PTO to for having such a wonderful evening for the kids.
 - The staff enjoyed the holiday cookie exchange. Thanks to Amy Burkhart for a wonderful job organizing the event and to all her hard work.
- G. **Standing Committees:**
1. **Assemblies – Celia Domines**
 - Annette is scheduling a science assembly with Franklin Institute.
 - Cost estimate is \$1000.00
 2. **Bear Creek Bash – Don and Margaret Williams**
 - Had meeting with IT department for online registration.
 - Letter to the 4th grade will be distributed to explain the Bash to the students and parents.
 - Will be held on April 25, 2014; one week earlier than originally scheduled.
 3. **Book Fair – Georgann Azzalina and Nicole Snyder**
 - Spring Book Fair to be held week of May 5, 2015. This will be a BOGO event.
 4. **Box Tops for Education – Margaret Williams**
 - Movie Night moved to February 5, 2014 due to the school closures from weather.
 - March 1st is the deadline for box tops to be submitted in order to receive payment for this year.
 - Current contest is a team contest. Deadline is February 26, 2014. The teachers from the winning team will wear crazy costumes for the day.
 5. **Campbell Soup Labels – Cindy Wivell and Mary Snyder**
 - Nothing to report at this time.
 6. **Community Service – The Giving Tree Program**
 7. **Family Activities – Need chairperson**
 - Nothing to report at this time.

8. **Fundraising – Lori Kolaric/Rena Lehman/Hether Schlosser**
 - Approximately 3000 packs of Mona's Pretzels were sold. Profit is 75 cents per pack.
 - Pretzels will arrive on February 10, 2014. Pick-up is on February 12, 2014 after school in the school cafeteria.
9. **Giant A+ Rewards – Rick Hart**
 - December totals decreased significantly.
 - Bear Creek shows 725 bonus card numbers registered to our school.
 - Totals per month are \$687, \$1300, \$663.
 - Rick will continue to follow-up with Giant A+ to determine the cause for our severe total drop in December. He will also try to negotiate a resolution.
10. **Holiday Shoppe – Hether Schlosser**
 - The change in the traffic flow in and out of the shop worked better this year.
 - The first day of shopping was lost due to a school day cancellation (snow) . The remaining two days the shopping hours were extended.
 - Over 300 families came to the event.
 - Inventory was packed up and can be sold next year.
 - Lynette Thomas and Michelle Rudy have agreed to chair this committee next year.
11. **P.I.E. (Parents in Education) – Need Chairperson**
 - Nothing to report at this time.
12. **PTO Manager – Don Williams**
 - Don is happy that so many people are using the program. Over 40,000 emails have been sent out using the PTO Manager system.
13. **Room Parents – June Shepherd**
 - Nothing to report at this time.
14. **Spirit Wear – Erica Kreiser and Tara McCorkle**
 - Program is concluded. 250 magnets remain and are available for \$5.00 each.
15. **Staff Appreciation – Amy Burkhart**
 - February appreciation will be boxed brownies with a special message for all the staff.
 - March will be a themed meal during conferences.
16. **Website – Barb Shenk**
 - Nothing to report at this time.
17. **Yearbook – Cathy Donahue**
 - Order forms have been sent home with all the students.
 - Order deadline is February 7, 2014.

H. Continuing Business

I. New Business

J. **Adjournment:** A motion was made by Margaret Williams to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Amy Burkhart. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Kolaric