

Barnwell Elementary PTA

Executive Board Meeting

Friday, December 6, 2019

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Minutes

Board members in attendance: Ryann, Sogol, Hoda, Lauren, Molly, Jen M., Michelle, Erin, Kate, Jen M., Ece, Emily

Also in attendance, Mr. Neuhaus, Mrs. Roper, Ms. Silverboard

The meeting was called to order at 9:09am

A **motion** was made and **passed** to adopt agenda

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Special Speakers- Brittany Byrd and Kathy from Summitt Counseling

- Spoke about initiatives in school and those available outside of the school. Through a partnership with Fulton County, Brittany has office hours in school on T/TH and is available to students. Kathy works w/ F.C. to work in front of issues at 7 elementary schools. Working to remove Stigma, Accessibility Barriers and Affordability to counseling needs.
- Possible topics for a January meeting include Anxiety and Navigating friendships/ Social media

Treasurer's Report

- We operate with 2 bank accounts, one as a primary and one as a place holder....extremely important that names on both accounts get changed from year to year to reflect the current treasurer
- Donation update on attached
- mini grant update- all approved

Teacher's Report

- Thank you and update on outdoor clock being fixed

Principal's Report

- Mr. Davis special guest re: landscaping
 - reviewed 2 possible plans for front of school and carpool lane landscaping. Option one was primary choice by most. Both options will be sent in a PDF for further review. Can make changes to either plan.
- 2000+ units collected for the food drive
- County items...
 - Tech update: every 3 years laptops refreshed. 240 being replaced in 5th and 3rd. County providing 100 ash new to be rolled out in 1st and 2nd. SGC approved 20 iPads for K. By end of February, we will be all set w/ devices
 - Acceleration to Algebra ...2028 all 8th grade will take Algebra. Next year tweaking K then 1st then 2nd standards. 5th grade plan is to have a choice of accelerated 6th or following regular path

Presidents' Report

- Giving tree bulletin board done- next will be bingo night
- Question brought up as to whether we should move Book Fair from PTA as we have no other part in it other than providing volunteers

Department Reports

- Communications- 12 year books are needed to cover student needs
- Teacher Enrichment-
 - Mini grants approved.
 - Jan 10th room parent mtg. Will review staff appreciation and field day- "Going for Gold" olympic theme. Field day and graduation dates may move
- Community Affairs- Barnival will have Olympic theme. Bingo is 1/31 and no chair as of yet
- Student Enrichment- several reflection winners
- Business Partners- \$5300 in business partner funds want to get to \$10,000. Still working on Classic Cadillac

New Business

- Volunteers of the Month-Heather Dufault, Jennifer Filpi, Mandi Rubenstein, Kristy Killien, and Connor
- Business Partners of the Month- Instant Imprints of Roswell, i9 Sports, Singapore Math, and Great Harvest Bread

Meeting adjourned 10:45

Minutes submitted by Kate Kuehn