

Beaver Creek PTO Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2024 - 7 PM Location: BCE Library

Attendees: Mr Toot, Rachel Miller, Hannah Israel, Janette Lems, Katie Strodtman, Amber Foxworthy, Nicole Jacobus, Erica Metzger, Brooke Whiting, Krystal Williams, CeCe McChesney, Mandi Kohn, Soe Myar, Amber Foxworthy, Ali Mohr, Cory Root, Jessica McGinnis, Jen Briles, Ariana Twitty

Welcome & Introductions – Rachel Miller, Hannah Israel

Principal's Report – Mr. Toot

- Twelve days of school thus far, and off to a strong start!
- Beaver Creek's enrollment is at 585 students as of today, which is roughly 10 students less than last year. We have over 60 students new to Beaver Creek this year, not counting our Kindergarten students.
- Jumpstart recap
- We have five new teachers this year. Welcome to:
 - Lindsey Brunstein-4th grade
 - Shannon White-3rd grade
 - o Jordan Lohman-school counselor
- We have one new building associate April Thulstrup, assisting with Kindergartners and recess/playground supervision. Rachel Miller has been hired as a building associate, assisting with lunchroom and playground supervision.
- We also have six new special education associates, with two more to hire.
- Student picture day is Wednesday, September 18
- Homecoming week is next week, starting on September 16:
 - Sept. 16- Day 6 Dress like there's no school (beachwear, PJs, however you dress when there's no school)
 - Sept. 17- Day 1 -Opposite Day (wear the opposite of what you like OR teachers dress like students and students dress like teachers)
 - Sept.18- Day 2 Dress to Impress for Picture Day
 - Sept. 19- Day 3 Twisted Thursday (mismatch, crazy hair, socks, everything)
 - Sept. 20- 4 Day Johnson Spirit Day (wear Johnston attire or purple and gold)
- Literacy screenings (FAST assessments) started yesterday. All students will be screened three times
 each year, and the results of these screenings will be shared with families. We will also be completing
 some math screening assessments in first through fifth grades
- Fourth and fifth graders have been invited to apply for student leadership roles, and we hope to make selections and get more students assisting with jobs around the school in the coming weeks. Third graders will be invited to apply for leadership roles after winter break. Students leaders could be asked to help with PTO events throughout the year.
- Big thank you to the PTO for the breakfast and treats provided during our pre-service days. These were greatly appreciated as we prepared for the start of the school year.
- We had our staff introduction assembly the Friday before Labor Day. We are planning on another assembly on Friday, 20, with a JHS Homecoming theme. Students will help lead this assembly.
- Chronic absenteeism information

Secretary's Report – Erica Metzger

- BCPTO Meeting Meeting Minutes August 2024
- Motion to approve meeting minutes as presented Brooke Whiting; second

Hannah Inman. Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report

• Motion to approve annual budget as presented - **Hannah Inman** motioned; **Rachel Miller** seconded.

Committee Reports

- Fundraiser / Fun Run looking for volunteers if you want to help
 - There will be a walk/run station and a banana/water station students will come out by grade level.
 - Likely big name fundraising item will be a Gaga ball pit and possibly a semi-permanent 9 square course
 - o Dates:
 - 9/27 kick off / packet sending home with oldest student
 - 10/25 Fun Run @ 2:15pm or so (Fundraiser end date)
- Restaurant Nights Eliza
 - Monday, 9/16 Freddy's; 5-9pm
 - Thursday, 10/24
 Tropical Smoothie; 2-7pm
 Slim Chickens; 5-8pm
- Staff Appreciation Ali Mohr
 - o Monthly snack day for teachers parents donate by grade level
 - Meals during conference week and staff appreciation week
 - o 9/26 5th grade parents donating
- Family Activities Amber Albizures
 - September | Homecoming meet-up
 - Sept. 16th sit together in the stands- 20-30 yard lane | north
 - October | Blacktop Boo Bash
 - Pumpkins and other fall activities, fall drinks & snacks
 - Sunday, October 6th | 2-4pm
 - November Skate Night date TBD
 - December Family Read Night
 - Bring books to exchange, potentially as winter/Christmas gifts to siblings, wrapping paper station available?, winter drinks/snacks
- Book Fair Hannah
 - Book fair during conferences opportunities to volunteer
 - Still looking for a new location for book fairs this year
- Social Media Amber
 - All events are on Facebook interact as you can!
- Apparel current sale ends next week
- Other
 - Parent Connection Directory
 - Around 300 or so kids so far. Will start publishing within the next few weeks
 - Water Bottle Sale wrapping up soon
 - Landscape refresh day
 - Sunday 10/13 11am 1pm
 - Also could do one in April to coincide with Earth Day

Unfinished/Old Business

- Need Volunteers to help lead or be on Committees:
 - Fun Run / Fundraiser Lead
 - Fun Run / Fundraiser Committee Members
 - Staff Appreciation Committee Members
 - Nicole Jacobus could help until late winter
 - Yearbook Help

- Krystal Williams
- o Family Activities Committee Members
- o Original Works Art Fundraiser Committee members
- o Treasurer co or alternate to learn this year and take over next school year
- What about the library vending machine idea that was previously brought up as supported by the JCSD librarians? The Community Foundation declined to fund this project so the idea has been tabled for now and librarians are still thinking.

New Business

- Next meeting October 8, 2024 @ 4:00pm
 - o PTO Social Wasabi afterward All are welcome

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm.