

PTG E-board Meeting October 16th, 2019, 9-11am Held at McKelvie Intermediate School

BOARD INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME: Attendees: Sue Jennato (Co-President), Sonya Van Der Meer

(Co-President), Sarah Lang (Secretary), Mindy Bator (Treasurer), Phil Schappler (Administration Liaison), Jen Asdot

(Administrative Liaison), Chelsea Donahue (RAL Liaison and VP Publicity), Heather Noonan (McKelvie Liaison), Emily

Sheff (PWS Liaison), Kenn Archibald (Memorial Liaison), Mike Fournier (Superintendent), Anne Mikol (BHS Liaison),

Tracy Healey (BHS Liaison), Marc Murai (Memorial Liaison), Kelly O'Donnell (PWS Liaison), Kim Beekman (VP of

Fundraising), Jay Nash (School Board Liaison)

Absent Members: Pamm Hughs (McKelvie Liaison), Lauren Martin (RBS Liaison)

SCHOOL BOARD UPDATE - Jay Nash

Jay stated that the school board would like to find a better way of thanking donors other than a thank you letter. Maybe a press release. Last year the PTG donated \$78,000 to the school district and the school board is very thankful for all the time and effort that the Bedford PTG puts in.

They are headed into budget season so he will have more on that at the Nov meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE – Mike Fournier

The school board would really like to hear from others on how they can get the budget passed this year.

Red Ribbon Week: BeBold will do a PSA with the police chief about not hosting under aged drinking parties and the dangers of them. Several speakers are on tap to give presentations. The town is lighting up red for Red Ribbon week. There will be red lights all over town. The school districts has age appropriate plans for grade 5th and up for red ribbon week conversation and activities.

Lastly, Mike is working on a PSA for Snow Days with BCTV and the new family orientation was a great way to meet the new families with children coming into the district.

APPROVE SEPTEMBER MINUTES- Approved by the board as written 10/16/2019

FUNDRAISER UPDATES:

SUPPORT DRIVE (Budget \$7,500)) Actual to date ~\$8300

- Envelopes sent home K-6 only this year
- Some ideas on how to generate more from this is perhaps putting a QR code on the envelopes.
- As of recently we are at \$8,425

MEADOW FARMS FUNDRAISER (Budget \$10,500)

- Sale ended 10/10
- Initial results (online total \$14,570 6% less than last year, tally day is 10/16)
- Bonus prize offered for selling 5+ items...Inside Scoop coupon for free ice cream

GIFT CARDS (Budget \$2,000)

- Update on local businesses included
- First round starts Friday 10/25 with orders due 11/6
- Order forms home K-8, BHS online
- Due to low turnout from the local businesses the board was asked if we should add a
 few national companies from Scrips. The board voted to add the top earning national
 companies to the gift card order form.

SKI, SKATE AND MORE SALE (Budget \$14,000)

- Equipment drop off Nov 22, 5-8pm. Sale Nov 23, 9-2pm
- Need help hanging flyers around town -liaisons 11x14 flyers to hang in their schools, preferably on front doors if allowed and ask board members to each take 2-3 8.5x11 flyers. If any of the board members know a spot as to where they can put a flyer, that would be helpful!
- Publicity/Marketing update New-BCTV PSA filming 10/23
- Systems update 4 laptops donated by Vigneau family. New scanning at registers for consignor items

COLOR BLAST (Budget \$25,000)

- Sunday, May 31st 2020
- First committee meeting October 25th

The committee is always looking for new members, however a lot of members have returned from last year.

EVENT UPDATES:

COFFEE WITH PRINCIPALS RECAP- Friday, September 27th 9:30am at BCTV- There was a good turn out for this. The video can be located on the BCTV website.

COFFEE and CONVERSATION WITH SUPERINTENDENT RECAP - Monday, October 7th 9:30am at Town Library- The board is hoping to get more people to attend as the year goes on. The conversation with Mike Fournier and other parents were informative and helpful to those who attended.

• Next event will be held Tuesday, Dec 10, 6:30pm - 7:30pm @ SAU Building

NEW FAMILY WELCOME RECAP - Wednesday, October 2nd at Town Library; 9:30-10:30am and 6:30-7:30pm

The new family welcome was well attended during both sessions. The board will be keeping both sessions for next year since it allows more flexibility for parents.

OTHER BUSINESS:

PUBLICITY REPORT

Emily Tolson will provide ORK/AIR updates to Publicity monthly for elementary schools. BCTV Budget process interview with Mike, other "shows" pending

TREASURER REPORT

- ORK/AIR Update
- PTG Bank Stamps

SURPLUS PLAN UPDATE The board is still gathering information for the different PA systems. The board will have to present the donation to the school board again due to its amount.

COMMUNITY SPEAKERS Community Vaping Forum 11/6 at 7pm. Medical, school curriculum, SRO and Q&A format. In 2020, possibly, Jon Wortmann, Terri Hamilton, Broderick The PTG was asked by the Assistant Direct of Special Ed about promoting the Intelligent Lives film that will be coming to Bedford District in March. After viewing the trailer the board voted to help promote this event.

VOLUNTEER FORMS- The volunteer numbers have increased. The idea of putting a QR code around the schools during the schools open houses would perhaps increase the amount of volunteers.

TEACHERLISTS.COM FEEDBACK

Some of the feedback from teachers: they found that they had to answer invasive questions and choose that this is not something that they felt comfortable doing.

ROOM PARENT EXPECTATIONS Liaisons remind everyone of the Room Parent Guideline doc that was shared last month and again this month.

OPEN ROLES:

District Support for 20/21

LIAISON REPORTS:

BHS:

Meeting: Thurs. 10/3

In attendance: Bob Jozokos Anne Mikol Tracy Healey

Gave Bob a copy of the PTG budget for BHS. Asked about upcoming use of AIR and ORK funds. Last year's AIR funds were used to pre-pay for this year's Fall and Spring visit from ceramics artist, David Ernster.

Classroom time is already reduced due to addition of 2nd Advisory and switch from 180 days calendar to minutes, so Bob is being particular about pulling kids out of class for assemblies. Jess Bennett is working with Corey Parker on finding speaker or programs for use of ORK funds – considering an on-going sustainable program for the year. May try to find something that reaches kids during the Advisory periods.

Bob asked that we get the word out about BHS dismissal procedures. Parents should call the attendance line (not the main office) or email bhsattendance@sau25.net (preferred) to dismiss students.

Up next:

Dinner for Teachers on parent/teacher conference eve., Thurs. 10/10

PWS:

PWS has had a significant increase in ELL students this year which has brought a great vibe to the school

Scholastic book fair was last month – sales were comparable to years past & the library was able to purchase additional copies of popular books that are often not available because they are checked out.

4th grade students are taking their field trips to the Little Brick Schoolhouse and 3rd graders are heading to the Mt Kearsarge Indian Museum

PWS Open House was on 9/19

Hospitality hosted a coffee cart on 9/20

Room Parent Luncheon was held on 9/27 – this luncheon is for room parents & teachers to meet and discuss their plans for the year. Great job by the Hospitality team putting that together!

Scarecrow Jubilee was held on 10/17 – this is an event for our 2nd grade students & their families. Each student created a scarecrow & they were all proudly displayed. There was also apple crisp, ice cream & apple cider served.

Math & Literacy Night is scheduled for 10/24

Annual Halloween Parade scheduled for 10/31

Veteran's Day Assembly on 11/12 at 1:30

MIS:

- October is Move-A-Thon month at McKelvie! The school is well underway working towards their fundraising efforts and putting together a fun day for all 5th and 6th grade students. This year, McKelvie has added an online donation component for accepting donations. This hopefully will help those that live far away support their loved ones. Funds from this year's Move-A-Thon will go towards replacing lighting and sound systems. The Move-A-Thon will take place on Thursday, October 24th.
- A blizzard of books will soon be heading to McKelvie. Our Arctic Adventure Book Fair will be held in November bringing snow many new books to read!
- Brian Williams brought his Kindness Nation message to the students of McKelvie for an awesome whole school presentation. Students and teacher alike enjoyed his inspirational message and have taken his kindness challenge to the hallways of MCK.
- The new pavilion has been constructed in the field and the inner courtyard has been transformed into a beautiful quiet outdoor classroom. This new usable space will include a patio, life size chess and checker sets and picnic tables. It looks amazing!

RAL:

- -Witch way to wellness event coming soon on Halloween day. A one mile obstacle course at the fields across from the school, with mind and body wellness workshops throughout the day.
- -finalizing pricing for upcoming author visits
- -advisory going well

MEM: Did not summit RBS:Did not summit

UPCOMING TOPICS

- Form Special Committee to explore District Art Show? Possibly a senior at BHS will be doing this.
- Grand Friends Day

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October:

Fri Oct 25 PTG Gift Card Packet Delivered (K-8, BHS online)

November:

Tue Nov 5 Community Forum on Vaping 7pm @ RAL Media Center

Wed Nov 6 PTG First Gift Card Order Due Date

Mon Nov 11 No School

Wed Nov 13 9:00am – 11:00am PTG E-board Meeting (@ McK)

Fri Nov 22 PTG First Gift Card Delivery to Families

Fri Nov 22 5:00pm – 8:00pm PTG Ski & Skate Drop Off @ BHS Sat Nov 23 9:00am – 2:00pm PTG Ski & Skate Sale @ BHS

Wed Nov 27-Fri Nov 29 No School

December:

Wed Dec 4 PTG Second Gift Card Order Due

Tue Dec 10 6:30pm – 7:30pm PTG Coffee w/Superintendent @ SAU Building

Wed Dec 11 9:00am – 11:00am PTG E-board Meeting (@ McK)
Thu Dec 19 PTG Second Gift Card Delivery to Families (2nd order)

END OF MEETING

Approved as Written By Board: November 13, 2019