

PTG E-board Meeting April 13, 2022 via Zoom

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Co-President - Amy Dion and Sonya van der Meer; Secretary-Sue Jennato; Treasurer-Kelly

O'Donnell; VP Publicity-Tejal Saraiya; VP Fundraising-Ashley Febvay BHS - Anne Mikol Lurgio-Shailagh Klicker

MIS - Amy Gagnon PWS - Emily Sheff; Meg Duhamie

Memorial - Jenny Landwehr RBS - Becca Durrell

Board/Admin - Ed Joyce, Cheryl Daley

Superintendent - Mike Fournier

Absent:

BHS - Sue Russell MIS - Candice Benson

Memorial - Hailey Tonas

School Board Liaison - Mindy Bator

SCHOOL BOARD UPDATE - Mindy Bator -N/A

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE - Mike Fournier

BSD partnering with Town for Bedford Clean Up Day Saturday 4/16/22

New traffic partner at BHS/RAL starts Monday 5/2

Mike is filming a program with librarians on BCTV that will air for the public to inform them about school libraries and librarians duties

HVAC/Sprinkler timeline discussed at last School Board meeting

Finalizing bond rates

Community engagement - looking to bring back Superintendent and/or Board member community meetings

PRINCIPALS UPDATE - Cheryl Daley, Ed Joyce

Lots of Move Up day plans happenings

Spring sports are up and running

End of year events happening ie 8th grade dance, movie nights, open mic night, field day,

Family Fun nights, clap out etc.

Spring testing coming up

Reminding students to "be the best version of yourself"

District is hiring...lots of open positions

APPROVE MARCH MINUTES - One typo noted, the word details spelled incorrectly, approved with typo fixed by board

FUNDRAISERS:

SUPPORT DRIVE (Budget \$9,000) - no new updates

SCHOLASTIC SPRING BOOK FAIR (Budget \$11,000)

Dates: Fri., April 1 (set-up), book fair: April 4 - 8

Successful fair at the schools. Numbers not finalized yet as schools are still closing out their fairs

COLOR BLAST FUN RUN (Budget \$24,000; May 22)

- Sponsor Update Many new sponsors, have exceeded expectations
- Registration now open currently at 214 registered

Sign up genius is live, lots of volunteers needed Filming Color Blast promo on 4/13 at SAU

EVENTS/PROGRAMS:

COMMUNITY SPEAKERS

Lynn Lyons update - April 18th, speaking to RAL and BHS students

Stand By Me event is not happening as traditional, but Ed Gerety will be coming in to speak with students. Board discussed reallocating Stand By Me funds to cover Ed Gerety fee. Board approved using \$2500 Stand By Me funds for speaker fee.

GRANDPFRIEND'S DAY

Update from Liaisons

Rebranded as "Grandfriend's Day...Connecting the Generations" District providing light breakfast (this will be the expectation going forward) Each school has small budget

OTHER BUSINESS:

PARTING GIFT

Sandy Wiley is leaving the Bedford School District on April 15, 2022. Sandy has been
invaluable in assisting with PTG needs and we'd like to vote to spend \$25 on a parting
gift. (This is similar to what we would do for retiring staff of 25 years.)

\$25 Parting gift for Sandy - Approved by Board

FUNDRAISERS PROPOSED for 2022/2023

- Support (September)
- Gift Wrap (October)
- Ski, Skate & More Sale (Nov. 19)
- Scholastic Book Fair (April)
- Color Blast (May)
- BHS raffle: parking (June)
- Other: AmazonSmile, Additional Misc. Income

Gift card fundraiser has been removed for 22/23 fundraisers based on discussion from last meeting.

22/23 Fundraiser list approved as noted above by board

TREASURER UPDATE

Reimbursement reminder-send in to Kelly in timely manner. Lynn Lyons funded through BHS/RAL ORK monies Color Blast sponsors - a few payments still pending

MARKETING UPDATE

Focus continues to be on Color Blast

Please "rsvp" to Color Blast event on social media

Send pics of Grandfriend's Day and Staff Appreciation to Tejal for publishing on social media

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK: May 9-13th

Plans are in full swing at each of the schools. A full week is planned.

BOARD POSITIONS: For next year...3-year term limits, open roles (board, district, school) - review Coordinator List

Any open Board roles need to be advertised to school communities.

Amy and Sonya compiling a list of open Board and District roles. These will be advertised in principal notes starting 4/15.

PTG Calendar - PTG board meetings may be moving to first Wednesday of the month next year

Some schools are experiencing issues with people that have filled out google form not receiving sign up geniuses. Suggestion was to email the volunteers through school volunteer email and add sign up as a link.

LIAISON REPORTS - ORK/AIR Updates – Send to Sue by Friday for inclusion in meeting minutes.

Memorial Liaison Notes:

- -Grandparents Day invitations sent home last week/ Monday.
- -Staff Appreciation week planning is underway.
- -Spring Fling to be May 20th.
- -Chorus Concert in May (I don't have a date for this)
- -Memorial Day walk to the cemetery Thursday before Memorial Day
- -4th grade play Robin Hood first week in June
- -Blue Ribbon week celebration the week of Memorial Day. Phil has a whole week of fun things planned for this. Tuesday flag raising, Wednesday Field Day, Thursday Wear blue and Phil is hoping to do a photo with a drone with all the kids standing in the shape of a ribbon, Friday A visit from Mr. Eagle.
- -The kids are learning a new school song to be sung at Blue Ribbon week
- -Seniors back for the walk and 4th grade clap out coming in June
- -Lending library is coming out in front of the school (this was given as an Eagle Scout project)
- -SAT testing starting and 1-3rd grade reading GATES testing after break.

RBS Liaison Notes:

- -Book Fair was a success!
- -No AIR or ORK updates
- -Family Fun Night will be Friday, 5/6

This will include the normal Family Fun Night activities in addition we will have a separate tent with a DJ and "dancing"

RBS does a silent auction in addition to the raffle baskets and the PTG liaison has been assigned to that by default

We have received multiple donations and now the focus will be on preparing for the event.

-Teacher Appreciation Week

Still determining the order of events the following is what we have planned

Signup genius link to be sent out within the week and will be included in Principal

Notes

Lunch - various salads

Breakfast - bagels and coffee

Afternoon Snack - cookies and seltzers

Goodie Bags - various items, will be delivered to teachers

Breakfast - muffins, yogurt and fruit

-Grandfriends Day will be Thursday, 5/19

Thank you to Amy Dion for stepping into assist

Schedule finalized

Chorus is really excited to participate

PWS Liaison Notes:

Keith Munslow will be helping our 4th graders create a school song.

We are finishing plans for our Teacher Appreciation Week, Grandfriends and Family Fun Night events all in May.

McKelvie Liaison Notes:

Book Fair went GREAT! Kids really enjoyed getting some great new books! School play - Beauty & the Beast - Practices underway!

Lots of upcoming events!

4.13 Afterschool Movie - for MIS students - Despicable Me

4.14 SAS 5th Grade

4.20 Family Bingo Night! 6-8pm

4.25 - 4.29 Spring Break!

4th Grade transition to McKelvie communications will begin next week!

MIS - Base Camp will be happening this summer again working on confirming the date/time Registration Night - Incoming 7th Graders had lots of positive feedback -

RAL- Base Camp information opened and communicated to parents!

RAL PTG Updates April 2022

*Spring athletics are up and running with over 175 student athletes participating.

*All instrument groups will be performing on May 5 in a John Williams inspired concert entitled "Revenge of the Fifth" (There are currently 122 students participating in band and chorus.)

*Traffic Pattern change will be worked on over April vacation with flow change commencing May 2.

*Plans underway for several schoolwide Spring events including: a wellness day, assemblies with Lynn Lyons and Ed Gerety, Grandfriend Day, and more.

Minutes- BHS Liaison meeting with Bob Jozokos

Date: Mon Apr 13th, 1:30 pm

Attendees: Bob Jozokos, Sue Russell, Anne Mikol, Sierra Dolce

Bob mentioned that senior activities are back in person as in the past. Senior project

presentations - students and parents can attend in person. They will use an electronic system

for tracking attendance at the presentations so will not need volunteer help as in the past.

Senior BBQ - we offered our assistance with volunteers if needed.

Started a conversation about ways PTG can help as we begin our budget process for next year.

We mentioned that PTG could increase support for intersession if that would help, Bob thought it was sufficient for now. Also talked about having more funding that people could apply to from PTG, that wasn't a set bucket already identified. Bob mentioned BEF allowed for grants for specific projects, like setting up an exchange program. Sue mentioned her PTG used to allow teachers to apply for grants for specific items they needed for classrooms, so they wouldn't have to spend their own money on things. Sierra thought teachers spent money on advisory and senior project mostly but a lot of that is food. We will discuss more in the future.

ORK and AIR - Reviewed with Bob the budget - now that Lynn Lyons will only be \$2500, BHS still has \$2450 to spend for the rest of this year. Later also Bob mentioned that the stipends for the Week of Code presenters were all returned by those presenters, and so he will be sending us back a check for \$500 which means he will have \$2950 remaining in ORK/AIR.

Parking Raffle - Bob mentioned that it is likely they will have numbered spots for parking next year, which means that this raffle may get more attention than usual. We now have a QR code, so will start to advertise this. End date for the raffle will be: 5/13/22

Brownie Surprise - 4/20/22 second block. This the day before intersession begins. Sign up is looking good. Bob mentioned it will still be Ramadan so we will provide baggies on all carts in case people want to eat it later.

5/9 will be our teacher appreciation week even though the national one is week of 5/2 (due to vacation week). They were happy with our plan from last year:

Monday: Snack Attack- Make your own GORP (Trail mix) bar.

Tuesday: Coffee, Muffins, Yogurt & Fruit

Wednesday: Frozen Treats Stock teacher's lounge freezers with frozen goodies

Thursday: Lunch: turkey, ham, veggie sandwiches, chips, fruit and water Friday Sweet Treats: cookies, brownies and cookie bars, raffle gift cards.

Next meeting set for May. 10 1:30

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 2022:

Wed Apr 13 9:00am – 11:00am PTG E-board Meeting via Zoom

Mon Apr 25 - Fri Apr 29 No School

May 2022:

Fri May 6 9:30am – 10:30am PTG Year in Review with Principals at BCTV

Week of 5/9 PTG Staff Appreciation Week (Nat'l week is week of 5/2)

Wed May 18 9:00am – 11:00am PTG E-board Meeting at SAU Fri May 20 4:00-7:00pm PTG Color Blast Early Bib Pick Up

Sun May 22 9:30am Color Blast Fun Run

Fri May 27 All Reimbursement requests due to Treasurer

APPROVED BY BOARD AS WRITTEN WITH 2 TYPOS (GRANDFRIEND'S AND GERETY) FIXED 5/18/22