

Butler PTO General Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 18, 2021

7pm

Attendees: Ali Abelson, Amy Beaver, James Bender, Amanda Bonsall, Jeanine Colón, Jodie Dinoulis, Sinead Doherty, Jen Emma, Karl Funseth, Christine Hartman, Donna Katzman, Lauryn Orozco, Jeannie Redner, Nicole Scabarozi, Shirley Schombs, Rachel Stasik

President's Welcome/Call to Order/Introductions: Ali Abelson/Rachel Stasik

- Meeting called to order at 7:02pm
- Approval of Minutes (Motion to approve: Donna; Second: Amanda Bonsall)
- Butler Boo going well. (Google form helping to connect families)

Principal and Assistant Principal Report: Mr. Funseth, Dr. Doherty

- October 29 – half day; classroom parties and parade on October 29 too; carpool recommended as parking will be limited.
 - Parade at 9:30 - do not arrive prior to 9:15am; Can wear partial costumes; no weapons; must be school-appropriate
 - Parties at two different times for crowd control
 - Food donations should be dropped off prior to October 29
- Red Ribbon week - schedule in Paw Power newsletter
- Per email from Dr. Lucabaugh - new LiveStream. Any child out due to COVID-related protocols/illness, we are now turning the Livestream camera on. Different livestream system from last year. Kids from home can listen/watch teacher lectures. Camera systems are strong. Only for students for COVID-related reasons.
- November 2 (Election Day) - Virtual "Live Day of Instruction" Learning Day (Livestreaming)

Treasurer's Report: Jen Emma/Amber Cichon

- Budget Presentation (See Budget attachment for full report)
 - Book Fair - \$3,384 net
 - Spirit Wear \$818 (Butler Bash)

Vice President's Report: Amanda Bonsall, Jeannie Redner

Committee Chair Reports

1. Constant Contact (Donna Katzman)
 - a. Last week: Find a family to Boo (79 clicks); Boo Form (43 clicks); Boo documents (31 clicks)
 - b. Week of October 8: Butler Directory (50 clicks); Teacher Book Wish List (40); MyPaymentsPlus (20)
2. Red Ribbon Week (Nicole Flannery/Edna Miller/Mariam Mahmud)
 - a. Set up on Friday, October 22 at 5pm
 - i. Monday-bright colors
 - ii. Tuesday-Something that makes me proud
 - iii. Wednesday-Wear red
 - iv. Thursday-Wear spirit wear

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- v. Friday-Halloween costumes or orange/black
3. Giving Tree (11/1?) (Yasmin Manley)
4. Teacher Appreciation (Jennifer Mininger/Bridget Hoag)
 - a. Working on December
5. Assemblies (Chris Snyder)
 - a. Sent options to admin
6. Volunteer Tea (Lisa Hood) - went well
7. Volunteer Sign-Ups (Kerri Zwiebel) - going well

Family Programming: Christine Hartman

1. Haunted Gym (James Bender/Colleen Lynch)
 - a. Great event; change of venue exceeded expectations; will work on better directions for participating students/parents next year based on feedback and observations from this year; Ask for feedback from 6th grade participants; Clean-up was quick; Possible tie-in to Kind Like Joey Foundation (?) or 6th grade event funds
2. Holiday Shoppe 11/19 (Kerri Zwiebel/Michelle Lockett)
 - a. Items should be delivered a few days before
3. Vendor Fair 11/19 (Amanda Bonsall)
 - a. Six people signed up so far
 - b. Encourage kids who sell items to participate (add in e-newsletter)
4. Butler Bash (Cari Cantor/Dana Paliwodzinski)
 - a. Great event; notes for next year to build upon success
5. Butler Boy Event (Ricki Herman/Edna Miller) - Hellerick Farm (October 28)
 - a. We have 116 signed up so far (down from prior years); will bump up in e-newsletter
6. Butler Bear Clubs starting up - teachers (\$100) for a six-week class (add to e-newsletter)
7. Skate Night (Jamie Beck) - food collection as well
8. Sports Night - looking into SkyZone instead of Philadelphia Sports Club - typically in January for 4-6 grades

Fundraising

1. Spirit Wear (Monica Dick) - all good; Ali shared a possible design for a new shirt
2. Fall Book Fair (Amy Wigo, Shirley Schombs, Amanda Bonsall)
 - a. Went well. Kids were excited. Financially: \$14,500 collected (\$3,400 in profit)
3. Dine & Donate (Amy Beaver) - Gran Rodeo in Montgomeryville (Oct. 27)
4. Save Around Books (Tracey Johnston) - tbd
5. Giant Gift Cards (Amanda) - \$5-\$500 denominations - coming soon

Additional Discussion/Concerns/Questions?

Close Meeting

- Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm

Next Meeting: Monday, November 15, 2021 @ 7pm