

## **Butler PTO General Meeting Minutes**

Monday, May 24, 2021

Virtual via Zoom @ 7PM

**Virtual Attendees:** Amy Beaver, James Bender, Amanda Bonsall, Jesse Brosious, Sarah Burkholder, Jen Emma, Karl Funseth, Donna Katzman, Mariam Mahmud, Edna Miller, Jennifer Mininger, Jeannie Redner, and Rachel Stasik

### **President's Welcome/Call to Order/Introductions:** *Jennifer Mininger*

1. Meeting started at 7:00pm
2. We played the "Zoom In" game – Mr. Brosious & Jen Emma were awesome. In the head-to-head final, Jen Emma squeezed out a win!

### **Principal's Report:** *Mr. Funseth, Mr. Brosious*

3. Teacher Appreciation Week – Thank you to everyone for the notes, gifts, etc. It was really appreciated by everyone!
4. Retirements and Staff Announcements
  - a. Kim Dudzinski – retired in the fall; Todd Cron retired in January; Mrs. Paula Bragg (retiring after 20 years); Miss Judie Pereira retiring at the end of the school year; Janet DiGangi, and Betsy Tieperman
  - b. Mr. Harkrader on leave for May (knee replacement – back June 1); Mr. Guenst out for the rest of the year (back surgery)
  - c. Hired Peggy Bernabei (current Unami secretary) – will start in June
  - d. Mr. Brosious reported on the MTSS-Multi-Tier System of Support that will start next school year – to identify children that need support
    - i. Universal Screener – computer based; will be utilized by all 15 elementary schools; focus on data-driven decisions.
  - e. Health and Safety Plan changes – no new questions

### **President's Report:** *Jennifer Mininger*

1. Approval of Minutes from April Meeting
  - a. Motion: Donna Katzman; Second: Rachel Stasik
1. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to chair an event or activity. Whether or not your event took place, we appreciate you! Looking forward to a full schedule next year and hope for the best!

### **Treasurer's Report:** *Jen Emma*

1. Budget Update
  - a. Will coordinate once/month water delivery for the summer
  - b. We'll exceed budget for 6<sup>th</sup> grade promotion

### **Vice President's Report:** *Ali Abelson, Rachel Stasik*

1. PTO Slate was presented and voted on
  - a. Motion: Jen Emma; Second: James Bender

### **Committee Chair Reports**

1. Parent Advisory (Amy Polis) – [click here](#) to view Amy's report from the Unami Parent meeting. Her report starts at the 15:53 mark.
2. E-newsletter (Donna Katzman)
  1. E-newsletter goes to over 1,000 individuals
  2. Highest open rate of the year was the week of October 19 (651 opens; 65 percent open rate)
    1. Highest click "Butler Booed" (69)
    3. Overall highest click (128) was Spirit Wear link in the September 28 e-newsletter
3. Teacher Appreciation (Rachel Stasik) – went well. Thanks to everyone who participated.

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4. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Memory Book (Sarah Kendrick, Stephanie Ward, Ali Abelson)
  1. Books have been paid for and ordered. Should have them for the end of the year.
5. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Party (Amy Polis and Krista White)
  1. Camp America – will be bussed there. Paid in full by the Butler PTO.
  2. Thank you to Amy, Krista and their volunteers for their preparation before we even knew what was allowed.
6. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion (Monica Dick and Jen Napoli)
  1. Original plan was to hold it outside. We can now have after school events and have our regular promotion as in years past. June 9 at 6:30pm in the gym. Still need to follow protocols (must wear mask, etc.)

### **Family Programming:** *Jeannie Redner*

1. Lip Sync (Ali Abelson) - event was held on May 21 virtually. Thanks to everyone who participated and viewed the event. Link is on Facebook and will be included in e-newsletter.
2. Cooking Classes and Scavenger Hunt – Thank you Jeannie!

### **Fundraising:** *Amanda Bonsall, Tracey Johnston*

1. Spirit Wear (Monica Dick) – orders should be going home with kids by Wednesday
2. Dine and Donate (Amy Beaver) – Rita's this Thursday (May 27; 4-8pm)
3. Book Fair (Nicole Scabarozi, Amanda Bonsall) – closed. Sold around \$1,500 online.

### **Other**

1. Thank you Jennifer Mininger for your leadership over the past two years as PTO Board President (likely the most challenging two-year term of any Butler PTO President in our history.)

### **Additional Discussion**

### **Open Discussion/Concerns/Questions**

**Close Meeting** (7:59pm)

**Have a wonderful summer!**