

Blasdell Elementary School 22-23 January Meeting

Date: January 19, 2023

Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Call Meeting to Order:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of Silence

Approval of the Meeting Minutes from September 28th, 2022.

1. Danielle Skinner
2. Heather Smith

Principals Report – Shannon Thurston

Mrs. Thurston spoke about how wonderful Ms. Juron's pup-up Art show was and that all the students had a chance to walk through and enjoy. The school is focusing on a culture each month, this month is India. The Golden Spatula is back, kids are excited about it and it will be announced at the next Bee Hive. The final lockdown drill is tomorrow, parents will be informed on blackboard. The Capital Project will begin in Feb. with an interior face lift/paint job. The Building team will take a look at 2-3 choices and then let the kids and teachers vote to decide. Feb. 16th will be open house, because of the painting happening the walls will be mostly empty. The trees will be removed in Feb. Mrs. Thurston is looking into a grant for next year to help buy sun protection. May 29th South Park Ave begins construction which is scheduled to last through July 28th. The Bus loop is scheduled for June 26th – Aug. 25th. Playground is scheduled June 26th – Aug 8th. The Play ocourt is scheduled June 26th – Aug 8th. The inside reno will start July 10th. (Mostly in the cafeteria).

Teachers Report – Helen Senese

Service Club: Crayon Initiative, they will be collecting old and broken crayons that will be sent, melted down, made into new and sent to sick kids in hospitals. They will also have a Sock Hop 13th-17th where they will collect new socks for kids and adults that will go to the Kids Clothes Closet in Hamburg.

Board Member Reports

- Erin Parks: Social Media update: Encourage family members to join the Facebook page and interact so it will bring the posts up in your feeds. Reminder to keep it clean and be patient with the volunteer parent monitors.
- Nicole Sweeney: Treasurer: Finance Update:
 - Balance as of November 9th: \$18,565.62
 - Current Balance: \$17,660.20
 - Profits:
 - Membership: \$258.00
 - Coffee Profits: \$1,621.00
 - Apparel Profit: \$924.00
 - Square One Art: \$514.50
 - Water Bottles: \$460.00

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- Winter Wonderland Profit: \$87.00 (Penguin Patch total sales = \$6,125.00)
- Expenses:
 - Winter Wonderland : \$1,042.39
 - Bookfair: \$92.43 (Bookfair total sales = \$7,702.57)
 - Misc: \$11.98

The Bookfair was our biggest in sales in Blasdell's history! The school earned \$3,891.04 in scholastic dollars that go right back to the school.

- Jennifer Silver: Council Delegate: Jen could not be there so Heather gave update. Mr. Swiatek was there and let them know that because of the State of Emergency no snow days that have currently been used count against our total days. So the school still has all 5 snow days remaining. The Safety E-volve system is going into the H.S. Once it is up and running the H.S. kids will be able to carry their backpacks, which will help with getting to classes on time. They are looking into buying Blue Tooth Vape Detectors. Pinehurst has a car detection system for drop off, it is planned that Blasdell will get it after our new bus loop is finished. The Big Picture Program is being worked on. It will have the students going to school for 3 days and then an internship at either ECC or Hamburg Senior Center for the other 2 days. The new public use of facilities policy will not affect the PTA and our events, we will not be charged to use the school. Feb. 1st is the next scheduled meeting.
- Tiffany Tangel: Secretary:
 - Yearbooks will go on sale at the end of March, they will be on sale for 3-4 weeks. They will be \$11.00 and all sales are on-line.
 - The Advocacy Committee will be taking part in the Legislative Luncheon Saturday morning.
- Courtney Malicki: Membership Chair:
 - Our Membership Goal for the year is: 172
 - Our Current Membership is: 164
 - Apparel orders will be run in Feb. Other apparel options including All-Stars, magnets for cars, socks, sweat pants were discussed.
 - Ms. Juron is running a Bee contest for the kids and then that will be on the apparel when it is ready.
- Lizzii Young: Fundraising Chair:
 - Chuckee Cheese night was a hit
 - Chicken BBQ: with Hamburg Masters is unfortunately closed from building damage. We have booked Weidners instead. We will have a ½ chicken, mac and cheese, salad and roll for \$15. Dinners will be \$15.00. March 24th, 2023 pick up from 4:30-6:30 for pre-sale walk ups until 7:30.
 - We are looking into Paint night
 - Candy: Candy bars for the Spring. \$75/box, \$3/2 candy bars. A kindle Fire will be raffled off.

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- Heather Caligiuri: President:
 - Me and My Guy Dance – valentines theme, glow sticks, music, dancing, photo booth
 - Penguin Patch has been resigned for next year, but we have until October to cancel it.
 - First Day School Supplies will run again this year, with an added \$2-\$5 per box which will be profit for the PTA.
 - Spring Bookfair will have another coin drive, but with an incentive of a Pizza Party for the class that collects the most coins.
 - PARP – Mrs. Gall is working with the PTA to pick the books for PARP, we are still waiting on the week and theme.
 - Banking happens every Friday.
 - Amazon Smiles program has been discontinued we will get our last check after Feb. 20th.
 - Me and My Gal will be held at the Palace Theater – more details and date coming.

Upcoming Events: Please feel free to volunteer:

- Book Fair – March 6th – 8th: Family Night Monday March 6th
- Me & My Guy Dance: Feb. 10th at 6:00pm
- Next Meeting Feb. 15th, 2023 @ 6:00pm

Motion to Adjourn:

1. Danielle Skinner
2. Eddie Z.