

Blasdell Elementary School 22-23 November Meeting

Date: November 9th, 2022

Time: 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Call Meeting to Order:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of Silence

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

1. Angela Frost
2. Heather Smith

Principals Report – Shannon Thurston

Mrs. Thurston spoke about future student government spirit weeks being announced with enough time for parents to prepare. The 2nd lock down drill happened, with 3 and 4 needed to be completed by Spring. November 14th starts Math assignments for Next Generation Standards. The Bee Positive team is having a Countries Around the World Door Decorating Contest.

Teachers Report – Amy Redmond

2nd Grade will be having a Balloon parade, parents will be invited. Student Government is having a can/bottle drive. Square 1 Art Catalogs are going out and gifts will be shipped to individuals' homes. Mrs. Jakabowski won musical chairs during Staff Day.

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: \$18,937.67
 - Current Balance: \$18,565.62
 - Profits:
 - Membership: \$245.00
 - Expenses:
 - Council dues: \$50.00
 - Fall Fest: \$384.89
- Jennifer Silver: Council Delegate: She went over what was discussed at the PTA Council Board meeting on November 2nd. The superintendent gave safety updates, a new SRO officer, new machines in the HS and MS; and the SOAR project status. HS performance of CLUE is Nov. 17-19. MS Beauty and the Beast is Nov. 17-18. The Halloween bus from the Transportation Department was a huge success, a Christmas Bus is in the plans. The next PTA Council meeting will be on December 5th.

- Courtney Malicki: Membership Chair:
 - Our Membership Goal for the year is: 172
 - Our Current Membership is: 156
 - Apparel orders will be ready by Friday and distributed at the Bookfair.
- Lizzii Young: Fundraising Chair:
 - Premium Coffee: Orders were closed and submitted. They will be available and distributed in early December.
 - Chicken BBQ: with Hamburg Masters: will be held on Friday 3/24/22. We will be needing volunteers for this event!
 - Loaded Lumber: Looking into a craft night (up to two nights) a few difference project options. It is an affordable family activity.\
 - Candy: Niagara Candy or Candy bars in the Spring.
- Tiffany Tangel: Secretary:
 - Picture Retake Day was a success, thank you to the volunteers.
 - Yearbooks will go on after the holidays/in the Spring. More information to follow.
 - Advocacy Committee, the next meeting is November 30th.
- Heather Caligiuri: President:
 - Provided more information on the upcoming Winter Fest.
 - Bookfair details were discussed: two days in school shopping and one family night. Sales tax will have to be charged. We will be having a change drive for the library and raffling off some books, teachers will pull wish list books, games are cash only.
 - Congratulations to Danielle Skinner for winning a \$25 Amazon Gift Card proceeding the table decorating contest from Fall Fest, as well as the 10 students who won books from the sensory game.
 - Banking has started sign up at School Savings.com
 - There will be no PTA meeting in December.
 - A Cruise Night was discussed for next year after the bus loop is completed.

Upcoming Events: Please feel free to volunteer:

- Book Fair – in school November 14th – 15th and Family Night November 16th
- Cider and Donuts – Nov. 22nd in school (Donuts and cider will be passed out to students.)
- Santa's Secret Shop – In school shopping Dec. 7th and 8th, evening shopping for families Dec. 9th.
- Winter Wonderland – Dec. 9th
- Next PTA meeting is Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 6:00pm.

Motion to Adjourn:

1. Danielle Skinner
Rich Marino