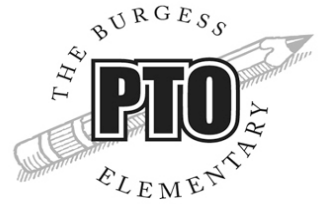


April 2022 Meeting Minutes



Date: April 12, 2022

Attendance:

Wendy Muchi, Juliana Kuszewski, Bianne Miers, Christina LaFortune, Kristen Sabelis, Darci Andrade, Jenifer Ohanesian, Rebecca Chocquet, Jessica Fahl, Daniel Corthell, Kathy Pelley, Christine Neslusan

Minutes:

- Last month's minutes were sent via email.
- *Motion made to approve last meetings minutes. Seconded. All in favor and approved.*

Principals Update

- Kathy recognized Claire Johnson, who was nominated most valuable teacher through Country Bank. Had a great celebration
- Kathy recognized all of PTO for the work on Jog A Thon
- Health and Safety- test kits will be provided through the remainder of the school year as will pool testing. Continuing to move towards pre covid
- MCAS wrapping up, a few makeups left to do. Kathy highlighted how far we've come with technology. More technology means a shorter number of days needed to test everyone.
- Parent Teacher conferences have wrapped up. Survey went out to ask parents which way they preferred conferences be held
- Kindergarten registration is ongoing. 92 fully registered so far. Kathy predicting class size about 110-115. Screening on 3rd & 4th. Kathy is looking to have a delayed start for kindergarten- End of august open house, and September start date
- Burgess After School Program- still going strong. Jill Coughlin- stepped up. Close to 100 kids
- Shout out to Daniel Corthell & Bethany Wuelfing for bringing back our live talent show
- Band concert coming out June 9th and Great East Band Festival- Thankful to Mr. Minchoff for running those

- 6th grade celebration June 15th, rain date June 16th (field day only)
- OSV Field Trips- K-6th, Permission slips are going out, chaperones are being selected
- Thank you to Christina LaFortune for working on increasing our parent volunteers and coordinating
- 5th & 6th graders now have an option to purchase second serving of lunch for \$1

Treasurer Report:

- Juliana Kuszewski gave update
- We are cleaning up the budget, taking out some line items that we don't use anymore and increasing others
- Proposing to increase teacher appreciation and 6th grade class gift and end of year PTO party will be added to budget
- Year to date about \$21,000 spent

Yearbook Update & 6th Grade Updates:

- Christine Neslusan gave an update on yearbook committee
- In person yearbook meetings complete
- About 15 more days' worth of work, waiting on more photos from teachers
- 30 kids on yearbook committee
- Christine and Michele will have a parent meeting to plan for end of year celebration
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Jog a Thon & Fundraising Goals:

- Kristen Sabelis gave an update
- Fundraising portion has ended, we are wrapping up incentives
- Waiting for approval for rooftop party and rally
- Slime delivered to teachers on Friday after break and video will be made
- Total Donations- \$60,519.55, only had to pay 3.1% of fees to fundhub
- Our net total is \$58,628.05
- 65% of kids registered
- 56% of kids participated with at least one donation
- 19% of kids raised \$150 or more
- Winning grade- Kindergarten- raised 23% of school goal
- PTO will place order for Chromebooks

- Kristen wants to gear schoolwide incentives towards younger grades because that's where majority of fundraising is happening
- Kristin thanked all those on the Jog A Thon committee, janitorial staff, front office staff, principals, and teachers.

Scholastic Book Fair:

- Date towards the end of May
- We are waiting for approval for in person book fair

Staff Morale:

- We stepped up our game for teachers this year and have had a lot of positive feedback
- We had raffle and food truck
- Cookies by Tantasqua culinary, Second food truck and desserts by Just a Nibble to come
- Working to see if we can cover a week's worth of recess for teachers

Open Positions & Future PTO:

- PTO President position is open
- There are not yet any volunteers for this position
- Two school improvement committee members- Laura Archambault school Rep, Julie Horrigan- Community Rep
- We will vote on budget that the board is proposing next meeting
- June meeting will be an end of year dinner party

Next Meeting: May 10, 2022