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BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2011

Attendees: L. Kennedy, E. Robbins, K. Wiggins, T. Valentine, T. Arpasi, C. Graham, B. Bachand, E. Campbell, J. Karmanos, T. Rea, G. Herdegen, A. Hartley, K. Mastrangelo, B. Neel, P. Chinn, K. Grathwohl, L. Kingston, J. Erne

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

The meeting minutes of September 22, 2011 were approved.

Welcome

Spirit Committee

- The Spirit Committee is planning a dance for Nov 11, from 6:30-9PM. The theme is, "Cobra Shores." They are seeking chaperones. They are also deciding on a community service project.

Principal's Principal's Report – A. Hartley

- BCS teachers, G. Mixon and J. Frishman, did a short presentation about how technology is being used in the classroom. The focus was on how applications are used to help each child individually.
- BCS has a commitment to being responsible with technology.
- MEAP testing is going well. The cut scores for the MEAP have been raised. An explanation of the cut scores will be given to the parents.
- Annual Report was distributed and discussed. We have a lot to be proud of and will continue to strive for excellence in all areas.

Co-Chair Report – G. Herdegen/B. Neel

- Thank you!
 - Facilities and Proud Dads - Mike Anderson, David Cryberg, Kim Wiggins, David Stone and Chris "Putt" Hurd - Front and back gardens look great
 - Millage Captain- Julie Erne
 - Elizabeth Robbins – Carpool Map – There is a volunteer opportunity for managing the map in the future
- eBugle Deadline – Submit to eBugle@bcsonline.info

- BCS PTSA e-mail – Discussed the e-mailing process – Create the e-mail and send it to Adam and Patricia. CC Brier and Gina. Two e-mail managers are currently in place.
- Blast - They need help this year in several areas. Please volunteer. See Gina for the list of volunteer opportunities. New leadership will be needed next year when Ken Gilbert and Karen Best step down from their roles as co-chairs.
- BCS Decals- The decals are once again available for purchase. Cost is \$5

Treasurer's Report – G. Herdegen, reporting for G. Chapnick and L. Damman

- Profit and loss statements
- Ask that the staff spend their money by the end of October.

Committee Reports

Curriculum – C. Graham, L. Kennedy, E. Robbins –

- Introducing Junior Great Books again during 2nd or 3rd quarter.
- Word masters will be made available to the entire school this year.

Directory- E. Robbins-

- Directory has been printed and e-version is available.

Social Committee- K. Mastrangelo-

- 3 /4 bingo event is tomorrow.
- 5/6 games event is next week.

Room Parent Coordinators

3 /4 – J. Karmanos -

- Meeting tomorrow

5/6 - T. Valentine -

- Planning Halloween parties and the fall conference dinner

7/8 - B. Neel for L. Weidner–

- 8th Grade Graduation Fundraiser, Flamingo Flocking Fundraiser, will be launched on Monday.

Millage - J. Erne –

- Stressed the importance of voting on November 8 in support of the millage.
- Please remind your non-public-school friends to vote

eBugle - K Grathwohl –

- If you received an e-mail from her, please respond with pictures.
- She would like pictures from the lemonade stand.

- The E-Bugle will be going out next week.

Special Services - T. Arpasi –

- We are in need of a market day chairperson.

Community Connection - B. Bachand –

- Halloween candy collection will be sent to Gleaners.

Proud Dads – G. Herdegen, reporting for D. Stone –

- Snow club meeting will be starting soon.
- Proud Dad's Tennis has begun.

Blast – G. Herdegen, reporting for K. Gilbert –

- This year's theme, iBlast, ties into the technology theme of the school. The committee is considering donating a portion of the net proceeds to a cancer organization in honor of Steve Jobs.

New Business

Seaholm All Night Party Donation – The PTSA has been asked to donate to Seaholm's All Night Party. PTSA will send a donation of \$50.

LRC Funds Reallocation – Money was allocated to purchase iPod nanos and Pocket eDGes at the end of last year. The Pocket eDGes have been discontinued. Discussion ensued about reallocating the pre-approved money to purchase Kindle Touches and eBooks instead of the iPod nanos and Pocket eDGes.

Motion was made and seconded to use the pre-approved money to purchase Kindle Touches and eBooks for the LRC instead of Nanos and Pocket Edges. The motion was passed unanimously.

CAD Software Funding - Funding was approved in May by PTSA to purchase new CAD software with a portion of the unspent funds from the 2010-2011 school year. The software will be the same software used in the high schools. The estimated cost was \$1,914. The actual cost will be \$3,630. **\$1,716 additional funding is needed to make the purchase.** The PTSA has carried over an approximate \$9000 in unspent funds from last year and recommends utilizing these funds to cover the additional expense for the software.

Motion made and seconded to approve funding of an additional \$1,716 for new CAD software. The motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:09 PM

Submitted by E. Campbell

Handouts: CECAC and BASCC Programs, Alphabet Soup, www.schoolfamily.com, acronym cheat sheet, BCS Annual Report, BCS PTSA Profit and Loss, Unapproved BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2011, BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Agenda