

## Approved

### BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes

October 1, 2015

**Attendees: K. Wiggins, A. Vohra, D. Davis, M. Morawski, T. Hernandez, A. Acey, S. Co, S. Shenefelt, G. Moran, N. Corum, A. Kappaz, A. Hendry, D. Patterson, D. Jensen, J. Peterson, L. Duzan, S. Wright**

The meeting was called to order at 1:20 p.m.

Introductions were made.

The meeting minutes of June 8, 2015 were approved.

#### **Our PTSA Dollars at Work: Jordy Whitmer – Thinkering Studio**

- Mr. Whitmer gave a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the purpose, design, and achievements of Thinkering Studio, which is a program enhanced with PTSA funding.

#### **Principal's Report – M. Morawski**

- All three curriculum nights were deemed successful!
- New staff members include Jeff Crum (Band), Ann Warner (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>), Amanda Husband (Art), & Tori Howe (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> sub)
- The annual Proud Dads meeting will be held on October 10<sup>th</sup> at Dick O'Dows.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Coney Bingo will be held on Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>.
- 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Trip to Philadelphia/NYC is October 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.
- Sally Battle will be retiring at the end of October. Her position has been posted on BPS website.

#### **Co-Chairs' Reports – G. Moran, A. Acey**

- Coney Bingo – A new BINGO set is needed; current one is in poor shape with missing pieces. A request was made to purchase a new set for \$350. This unplanned expense was discussed and a motion was made by G. Moran to make the purchase; it was second by D. Patterson. Those present approved the motion.
- BCS Turns Twenty – November 28, 2015 – Discussion about PTSA putting forth funds to help with the celebration with the thought that expense will be recouped through donations. Additional discussion covered how to get the word out to the BCS Covington Alumni (possibly through Mr. Melton's Art Appreciation Page and possibly through high school alumni information). N. Corum moved to put \$450 (unplanned expenses) toward the celebration; it was second by K. Wiggins. Those present approved the motion.
- Open PTSA Positions – There are several positions still open: Legislative, Ice Cream Social (Oct. 22), Tech Café (tech learning for parents), Volunteer Coordinator (J. Peterson is considering), and 2017 Blast Chair (or Co-Chairs).

#### **Treasurer's Report – S. Shenefelt**

- Transition is still in process.
- Budget Summary:

PTSA Direct Donation -	\$31,050
Student Planners -	1,050
Classroom Dues -	11,400
Music Booster -	2,235
Athletic Booster -	1,765
Forensics Booster -	1,160
PTSA Dues -	10,775
Additional Directory -	259
Directory -	570
Directory Ads -	590
BCS Car Decals -	400
Total (Back to School Receipts)	\$61,254

- Check Request forms were explained and distributed. Chair must sign the check request before submitting.
- Please turn in receipts for reimbursement as soon as possible. Tax is not reimbursed. Turn around is 7-14 days.

## **Committee Reports**

### **3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Committee – D. Patterson/A. Vohra**

- Mali/Harvath are taking care of Coney Bingo.
- Reflections Contest “Let Your Imagination Fly” – D. Patterson is requesting a representative from each level to assist. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> room parent coordinators will work through room parent representatives to get volunteers.

### **5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Committee – S. Wright/L. Duzan**

- Inquired about Sign-Up Genius Pro and whether there is PTSA funding for this level of service. This version allows more personalization and flexibility in directing messages to appropriate parties. G. Moran will investigate.

### **7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Committee – N. Corum/K. Barnas**

- Monthly meeting covered the following: service project ideas, 7/8 Dance, Cedar Point trip, and the End of Year breakfast.
- N. Corum inquired about committees that are still active: Art Alive, Future Cities, Social Studies Olympiad, and Spelling Bee.

## **New Business**

### **Birmingham Education Foundation – Executive Director Alison Hendry**

- A. Hendry introduced herself and explained the purpose of the BEF...to raise funds and provide “grants to teachers and staff with innovative ideas.”
- Annual Fund campaign begins October 15.
- Unabashed BASH is February 6, 2016 at The Somerset Collection.
- April 2016 - Expedition 2016 Helping One World

### **Wellness Committee – D. Davis**

- Wellness Committee plans to provide “Wednesday Wellness Healthy Tidbits”
- Discussing a parent/daughter yoga night
- Chartwells - expanded salad bar?

### **Facilities – C. Bassett has pictures.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Handouts: BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Agenda for October 1, 2015, Unapproved BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2015, BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Check Request for Payment Triplicates

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