

Approved

BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2016

Attendees: L. Duzan, S. Byrne, A. Acey, A. Vohra, M. Morawski, D. Patterson, S. Adams, J. Peterson, D. Davis, M. Carrel, S. Wright, N. Corum, J. Enwright, B. Jennings, A. Bartholomew, K. Whitman, A. Young, R. Miller, L. Ajlouny, K. Wang, M. Mann

The meeting minutes of May 12, 2016 were approved. **(Motion – S. Byrne, 2nd – M. Mann)**

Board of Education Candidates – Introductions

- Lori Ajlouny, Adrienne Young, Kim Whitman, Audra Bartholomew, & Brian Jennings introduced themselves and took a few minutes to share their platforms.

Principal's Report – Mr. Morawski

- BPS Board of Education candidates' biographies and forum can be viewed online at <http://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/domain/1732>
- Millage Renewal & BPS Board of Education election will be on the November ballot.
- Edutopia will be filming four stories after scouting BCS for two days.
 - Teacher Lab – how to engage students
 - Resource Experts (not just relying on teacher for problem solving) within the classroom
 - Thinkering Studio
 - Science Literacy in 5/6
- M-STEP Results – Criterion Referenced Assessment (see attachment for score comparison)
 - BCS performed well compared to district and state scores (above district in almost every category).
 - Social Studies (looped curriculum) scores were better, but still much room for improvement.
 - Math progression is an achievement to be noted.

Treasurer's Report – Shelli Adams

- Direct Donation actual is \$31,077.00; projected was \$30,000.
- Directory sales were down, but more families joined the PTSA this year (directory is provided with membership).

Co-Chairs' Report – Alicia Acey, Shannon Byrne, and Alifya Vohra

- Thank you was made to all PTSA volunteers; special mention to Rachel Ann Miller, who took on the role of Volunteer Coordinator!
- BPS PTA Council is looking for a Reflections Chair; PTA Council Chair is handing the role until a chair is found.
- BCS will need to fill many executive committee positions next year: 1st year Co-Chair(s), Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, and Income & Expense Treasurers
- Millage Renewal – Vote "YES" on November 8. (See attachment.)
 - last item on the ballot
 - does not increase taxes

- 38% decrease in funding if not passed
- passing it maintains our property values
- Shannon Byrne will coordinate with Room Parent Coordinators to get yard signs to homes in high traffic areas next week.
- **Friends of BPS requested a donation of \$1000 from each BPS school to assist in campaign costs (materials, mailings, signage, and postage). A. Acey moved to make the \$1,000 donation from Unplanned Expenses (50070) to the millage campaign (Friends of BPS). D. Patterson seconded the motion. Motion will be posted for thirty days and voted on at the next PTSA meeting, November 3, 2016.**
- Collaborative Space Expense
 - Collaborative Space budget of \$12,460 was maximized over the summer. Additional work was done by school/parent volunteers to build benches in one of the vacant areas; Home Depot donated close to \$200 in materials. Carpet was needed to finish the benches totaling an additional expense of \$1831.
 - **J. Peterson motioned to move \$1,831 from Unplanned Expenses (50070) to Collaborative Spaces (50350). N. Corum seconded the motion. Motion will be posted for thirty days and voted on at the next PTSA meeting, November 3, 2016.**

Committee Reports

- 3/4 Room Parents - Alifya Vohra & Sue Wright
 - Coney Bingo is tonight!
 - October 3/4 Room Parent Meeting is next Friday, October 14.
- 5/6 Room Parents – Laura Duzan & Meredith Carrel
 - 5/6 Room Parent Meeting is next Thursday, October 13. Agenda to include Halloween, Conference Dinner, River Rouge field trip, Reflections, Millage, etc.
- 7/8 Room Parents – Nicole Corum & Joanne Enwright
 - Parents play a supportive role; students take lead through Spirit Committee lead by N. Toth.
 - Black Out Party is November 4th.
- 8th Grade Celebration – Nicole Corum
 - Committee of 8 has formed.
 - 8th graders are voting on Friday for class motto.
 - Need media person for end of year video and bagel sales volunteers.
 - Mr. Morawski has donated a collaborative space to the 8th graders for them to decorate/furnish as their 8th grade gift.
- Ice Cream Social – October 20, 6:30-8PM
 - Volunteers: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4baaa828a64-bcsice>
- Curriculum Enrichment – Nicole Corum is the point person.
- Wellness – Daniela Davis
 - Looking into more yoga nights and discussed how to maximize participation within budget.
- Reflections - Diana Patterson
 - Theme is “What is your story?” Entries are due November 11.
- Birmingham Education Foundation (BEF) – Diana Patterson
 - Annual drive supports events such as author visit – Patricia Palacco.
 - BCS can support through direct donation, Amazon Smile, and Kroger Rewards.
 - February 11, 2017 is the date for the Unabashed Bash at The Townsend Hotel (BCS will provide an auction basket.)

- BLAST – Ryan Abney
 - Blast is March 19 from 3-7PM.
 - Chairperson for Blast Baskets is needed.
- BBFA – Jennifer Petersen (See attachments for future programming)
 - Next event is Practical Advice for Parenting with Technology on November 3.
 - <http://www.bbfaprevention.org/event-2291548>
- Box Tops – Lisa Young
 - Volunteers needed to assist with collection.
- Spirit Wear – Lots of new \$5 tees! Check them out at Coney Bingo!
- Volunteer Coordinator – Rachel Ann Miller

New Business

- Birmingham Community-Wide Human Trafficking Awareness Panel Discussion – 10/13 at Seaholm High School from 6:30-8:30PM
(Hosted by the Junior League of Birmingham)
State Senator Judy Emmons will lead a discussion panel comprised of local experts from law enforcement, government, prosecution, regional task force, victim services, and survivor testimony. Parents of BPS students, BPS staff, and members of the community are invited to attend to learn more about labor and sex trafficking, including measures that are being taken in the tri-county region to combat this crime.

Old Business

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM. (Motion – M. Carrel, 2nd – A. Vohra)

Handouts: BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Agenda for October 6, 2016, Unapproved BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes for May 12, 2016, BCS PTSA CLEARINGHOUSE Budget VS Actuals for 2016-2017, M-STEP Results (2015 & 2016), BEF Flier for Patricia Polacco Event, BPS Millage Renewal Information, BBFA Future Programming

Submitted by: Laura Duzan