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BEA PTA - BOARD MEETING February 21st, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 am by Wendy Heath in the Cafeteria. There were 13 members in attendance.

Principal's Report – Dr. Tracy Nelson & Ms. Jasmar Bennett

- School data:
 - Presented to SAC Committee on Feb. 20th
 - BEA has been an “A” school for many years.
 - School grade is based on grades 3-5 testing performance.
 - ELA and Math (3rd – 5th), Science (5th only)
 - Points earned for learning gains (increase in student scores from previous year and gains within lowest 25%)
 - Overall 62% or higher = “A”
 - Current projection for K-2 is 64% and grades 3-5 is 62%.
 - Lowest 30% reinforcements/targets:
 - After school tutoring (T – ELA, TH – Math)
 - Large and small group instruction in the classroom.
 - Teachers received professional training from Renaissance on Feb. 15th.
 - Administration will be creating a data chart for each teacher.
 - For weekly proficiency targets.
 - STAR testing has been conducted every 6 weeks.
 - Searching for more resources (websites, quizlets, etc.) to provide to parents.
 - Will post on Facebook and add to newsletter.
 - Exploring positive incentives for gains on STAR testing –
 - Free dress day pass, ice cream, treats, etc.
- Safety buckets have been delivered and teachers have checked out from the school guardian.

President's Report – Wendy Heath

- Motion to approve the January minutes – Kelly Spezzano, 2nd – Terri Lobb. Approved by board.
- Technology survey was completed.
 - Teachers indicated strongest need for classroom iPads.
 - Technology needs for portables as well. (internet booster, Smartboard, etc.)
 - Terri created a large banner to promote technology needs and track monies.
- Slating committee for next year (for 2019-2020 PTA board).
 - Talesha Clements, Terri Lobb, Angie Lopez.
- Teacher requests (PE)
 - Requesting an additional \$112 (on top of \$400 budgeted) for jump ropes, floor hockey sets and 4-square utility balls.
 - Motion - Terri Lobb, Noemi Alfaro – 2nd. Approved by board.
- Curtains arrived for the clinic and Ms Colorado loves them!
- Teachers extended appreciation for meals provided by PTA on portfolio night.
- Teachers are enjoying wearing their new school shirts.

Treasurer's Report – Kelly Spezzano

- See attached for complete financial report.
- January overview:
 - Total income: \$29.07
 - Total expenses: \$8,510.42
 - Current balance: \$22,824.53
 - Savings: \$1591.85
- Kelly has secured an online company, called Paythankyou.com, for online donations, membership, etc.
 - Direct website for BEA: <https://www.paythankyou.com/Payment/Index/352651>
 - \$5 annual fee.
 - Nominal transfer funds fee.
 - 7% convenience fee for users.

Fundraising – Melissa Witmer, Ann Matteson

- Spring fundraiser – Trek for Tech Walk-a-thon
 - Date – March 22nd (Friday before Spring Break)
 - Student letter has been approved and will go home soon.
 - Prizes:
 - Individual student prizes (same as last year)
 - \$25 – no uniform pass
 - \$50 – no uniform, no homework pass
 - \$100 – all plus ice cream party in garden
 - Overall top prizes
 - 1st place - \$75 Walmart gift card
 - 2nd place - \$50 Walmart gift card
 - 3rd place - \$25 Walmart gift card
 - Whole school prizes
 - \$8,000 – Wacky Hair Day
 - \$10,000 – Dance Party
 - BHS cheerleaders are coming and possibly BHS band.
 - Waters will be provided to students.
 - Teachers will receive a letter regarding how to promoting the fundraiser. (Ways they can help and what the funds will provide for the classrooms.)
 - Posters will be displayed around the school.

Special Events: Terri Lobb

- Sweets With Your Sweetie was a huge success!
 - Thank you to everyone that helped!
 - Extra added to budget – rented tables and chairs. (They delivered and picked up. \$550.80 rent)
 - \$1449.52 (grand total expense)
 - Suggestions for next year:
 - Add a photo booth to each end of basketball court. (with signs)
 - Add signs for “Line Starts Here”.

Communications Secretary/Volunteer Coordinator/Uniform Swap Shop – Tiffany Bilbrey

- Upcoming Spirit Nights for 2018-2019
 - Dairy Queen – March 6th – 4-8 pm.
 - Marco's - May 1st, All Day.
- Spirit Night income
 - Marco's – \$130.37
 - Curly Tails - \$250.00
 - Beefs - \$94.00

School Supplies and STEM/Garden Liaison – Kelly Spezzano & Diane Hancock (garden contact)

- EduKit – requesting supply lists from the teachers.
 - Requesting a limit of \$45 as there is now a required sales tax. (So total cost is no more than \$50.)
 - Orders will start at Kindergarten Round-Up.
 - Paper orders will close on May 25th.

Membership & Booster – Noemi Alfaro

- SAC update
 - All new security cameras have been installed have campus.
 - Please encourage after school tutoring.
 - ETA on Mr. Bob is March 4th.
 - Did not meet 100% staff membership.
 - Promote at the beginning of the year teacher breakfast.

Hospitality: Michelle Adams & Talesha Clements

- Barnett and Emery's classes received incentive popcorn party for PTA membership.
 - Students loved it!
- FSA Snacks
 - Snacks, mint and gallon water (w/small cups) for each class.
- Teacher appreciation luncheon
 - May 9th – soups, salads and desserts. (sign up in April)

Old/New Business

The next PTA Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 21th at 8am in the Cafeteria.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 am by Wendy Heath.

Members attended:

Wendy Heath

Noemi Alfaro

Jasmar Bennett

Tiffany Bilbrey

Talesha Clements

Charissa Kesler

Terrie Lobb

William Lobb

Angela Lopez

Ann Matteson

Kelly Spezzano

Melissa Witmer

Shari Wolfe