



## Fox Point Bayside PTO Meeting Executive Board Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2018

**Present:** Katie Glaisner, Christine Duback, Bridget Carlson, Melanie Berg, Jolena Presti, Amanda Singh, Karen Grimm-Nilsen, Jodi Hackl, Julie Trump

**Not Present:** Megan Girton, Tina Kreitlow, Jesse Hilstrom

Meeting called to order at 9:05.

Stormonth Report - Principal, Karen Grimm-Nilsen

- Showed an 8-minute video about the Stormonth Artist-in-Residence art mural that was recently created and installed in the foyer. Will be posted on the Stormonth website and PTO Facebook page soon.

Bayside Report - Principal, Jodi Hackl

- 1st Ski Club Friday night. All will get a beanie this year.
- A collaborative student group, Threads & Things, has been working during lunch and recess to design and screenprint positive message t-shirts. They recently won a North Shore Bank video competition about ideas that are changing the world and will be presented a check at the next school board meeting for \$1923 to use for their project. Congratulations!!

Teacher Representative Report - Julie Trump, BMS

- Thanks to PTO for arts funding that will be used for an all-school trip to the symphony 1/29. 5th graders will also be going to Kohler Art Museum.
- 7th/8th grade band/choir/orchestra concert 12/13 at NHS at 7:00.
- 5th/6th grade winter band/choir/orchestra concert planned for 1/16 at BMS at 7:00.
- 5th graders enjoyed a "time machine" visit by a pirate to learn about Jamestown.
- 6th graders are working on creative creatures paper mache.
- 8th grade Spanish students had a Day of the Dead bread baking competition.
- Planning a "coffee house night" on 4/11 from 5-7 to highlight art, music, forensics, makerspace, and soloists throughout the building.

President – Katie Glaisner

- Remind volunteers about the background check requirement.
- During fall and spring book fairs, students gift Scholastic books and funds to teachers differently. Can we get teacher input on which way they prefer so that we can make this consistent? In the fall, students can buy specific requested books for classrooms, while

in the spring, teachers get gift certificates to shop the fair themselves.

- Karen will put this on the Building Leadership Team agenda.
- Fund Allocation Committee will also address.
- PTO to communicate to teachers why it is beneficial for classes to do a walk-through of the fair - not just to pick out purchases, but to get classroom book ideas, and library book ideas.
- Katie will follow up on planning a coffee in the boardroom event in January to help fill spring volunteer opportunities.

#### VP Administrative Services – Jolena Presti

- Newsletter due 12/14 to Megan Smith.
- Megan recently sent out updated chair packages to be redistributed.
- Membership up 8% as enrollment in the district is down. 61% of households are PTO members this year. Great news!
- Idea to add “it’s not too late to join the PTO” messaging with Artist-in-Residence video showing a great example of the benefits the PTO provides to the school.

#### VP Ways and Means – Tina Kreitlow

- Sold \$8,900.62 in book sales at the Fall Book Fair, down about \$1,100 from last year’s sales.
  - Should we have 2 food trucks again for spring? Sales slow in fall due to cold weather. But will one food truck have enough food for potential buyers?
- Two more restaurant nights scheduled - Corner Bakery Cafe 2/7 and Dr. Dawg 3/19.
- Club Choice Sale results
  - Sold \$8,895 worth of items with an expense of \$4,627 for a net of roughly \$4,268. We were budgeted to bring in \$6,000 net for this fundraiser.
  - Laura Pierri, Chair of the Club Choice sale, thought that BMS sales were down significantly because of Mrs. Knippen’s Washington DC cookie dough fundraiser which is very similar to the large amount of sales we get from Club Choice with the cookie sales. The fundraiser for this trip last year was Butter Braids.
  - Potentially look at a different type of incentive for the BSM kids next year than the limo ride, which may not have been all that attractive of an incentive. Ideas came up including pool party at NHS, volleyball at Libby Montana’s, dodgeball and donuts again with teacher - was big draw last year.
- Successful one-week flash sale for spirit wear. Bayside had 12 orders for 16 items (40 orders in September for 80 items) and Stormonth had 26 orders for 41 item (41 orders in September for 95 items). Items should be in either December 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Winter Fun Night scheduled for 2/8 and will not include K4/K5 this year.
  - Dajen is going to add a few more volunteers for hallway monitoring.
  - There will be an identified space for “time outs” for repeat offenders with bad behavior.
  - No face painter for this event.
  - Karen to make reminder announcements week prior that school rules still apply.
- Still need event chair for Spring Book Fair and co-chair for the Cupcake Color Run.

- Idea to make fall and spring book fairs a combined volunteer opportunity for one chair to run both - would help to make events consistent.

#### Treasurer Report – Bridget Carlson

- Got \$110 check from Pizza Studio restaurant night.
- Still waiting for Monster Bash food expenses.
- Idea to make book fair coin collection distribution consistent across book fairs.
- First year of having the option to prepay for yearbook at the beginning of the year will likely lead to the need in the spring for reminding families if they paid already. How will we do this?

#### Past President – Christine Duback

- Fund Allocation Committees met 11/30 to discuss fund use ideas.
  - Approved new Stormonth playground equipment shed.
  - Idea for creating sensory pathway for occupational therapy, potentially designed by an art summer school class.
  - Alternative seating and desks is a popular need.
- \$10,500 in Scholastic dollar balance - much will be used for alternative seating as Scholastic has a lot of quality offerings.
  - Will figure out how money needs to be split between PSS and BMS.

#### VP School Services – Jesse Hilstrom

- N/A

#### VP Programs – Megan Girton

- KinderKid Date Night was a big success! Thanks to the Leibhams and their team for all their work.
  - Raised \$300 net profit.
  - Becky Diamond donated beautiful cupcakes - will give her a thank you gift card.
  - Had a lot of help from middle school volunteers.

#### VP Cultural Arts and Sciences – Amanda Singh

- Artist-in-Residence video shown by Karen.

#### Secretary – Melanie Berg

- N/A

Good and Welfare/Adjournment. Meeting ended at 10:12. Bridget motioned, Christine seconded.

These minutes approved 12/19. Motion by Jesse. Second by Bridget.