



Fox Point Bayside PTO Meeting Executive Board Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2019

Present: Katie Glaisner, Christine Duback, Melanie Berg, Tina Kreitlow, Jesse Hilstrom, Jolena Presti, Amanda Singh, Jodi Hackl, Monica Arnstein

Not Present: Bridget Carlson, Megan Girton, Karen Grimm-Nilsen

Meeting called to order at 9:07. Katie motioned, Christine seconded.

Stormonth Report - Principal, Karen Grimm-Nilsen

- Not in attendance.

Bayside Report - Principal, Jodi Hackl

- Fund Allocation Committee met. Bayside is focusing about \$5k of their spending on updating alternative furniture, one classroom at a time. Movable seating helps facilitate collaboration and project-based learning. The other \$2600 will be spent on alternative floor seating such as bean bag chairs, mindfulness materials, and fluorescent light shade diffusers.
- Thanks to PTO for wonderful conference dinners!
- 8th grade coffee with Nicolet counselors went well and helps ease transition to Nicolet.
- STEM Day presented by FEAR (Nicolet Robotics team) featured a zipline-building challenge to the 8th graders to encourage interest in STEM.
- Elite Night, handled as a BAN event, was held to introduce 7th/8th graders to each other across area schools.
- Next week, 4th and 5th grade teachers will be meeting to talk about transition needs of students, followed by other transition activities for 4th graders, such as meeting with 7th grade buddies and lunch at Bayside, through the end of the school year.
- Coffee House art/music showcase event will be held at BMS 4/11 from 5-7. Teacher organizers asked for help with potentially getting food trucks to come. Tina and Amanda will forward info. Monica & Megan S will help ask for volunteers to help on social media.
- Schoolwide Spirit Day Fri 3/22 to celebrate 500 Bullseyes given out this year.

President – Katie Glaisner

- Question to Jodi regarding status of standardizing tips for custodians after events. It was brought up at a district leadership meeting. Building leader has asked that no cash be given, but appreciation gifts such as gift cards or lunch or dinner at end of year are ok.
 - PTO event chairs will continue with gift card or treat this year for custodial staff

- after Book Fair, Cupcake Run, and BANs for consistency.
- Possibly change to end of year lunch or dinner next year for all custodial staff. Will discuss with Bridget and decision will be added to Chair Package for next year.

Past President – Christine Duback

- Existing chairs should reach out to their event chairs to find out their interest in continuing to serve next year. Nominating committee will present potential candidates to fill open positions at May PTO board meeting.

Treasurer Report – Bridget Carlson

- JK Lee sent us \$40 donation with appreciation note to PTO.
- Updating Benevity site for Kohls donations and reached out to Britten to streamline their volunteer process.
- Elite Night cost \$175 for food - \$10/attendee cost goes back to Elite. Run as a BAN event, not a fundraiser.
- Made \$82 from Corner Bakery restaurant night.
- \$5k Scholastic dollars distributed to each school - in process of purchasing seating options and books.

VP School Services – Jesse Hilstrom

- Safety Week 5/13. Officer Jenny is the liaison and coordinating with Suzette about having K4 tour the police station as a new activity.
- Stormonth yearbook - need someone to (a) organize orders, (b) take photos, (c) chair the process. Handful of people have contacted Katy Nelson to help.
 - Idea to have room or grade parent responsible for the photos?
 - Pay for paraprofessional to run yearbook? Bayside pays \$300 out of Clubs & Activities Budget for former teacher to work with students to produce the yearbook.
- Will ask Carla for list of who's paid for yearbook already to help with parents' questions. Info is available in Infinite Campus but questions are still coming in.
- Do we need chair for End of Year Party? Alyson Stepke possibly chairing - will check with her.

VP Ways and Means – Tina Kreitlow

- Dr. Dawg Restaurant Night coming up on Tues. 3/19.
- Spring Book Fair 4/16 - Erica Siegel and Velia Tarnoff are chairing. Will be in large part of gym for more space. Cake walk in small gym.
 - NEW: boxed snacks or dinners available for preorder from Corner Bakery instead of food trucks.
 - Erica created files that will hopefully make the event more turnkey.

- Met with Fall Book Fair organizers to decide on how to handle distributing funds/books to teachers.
- Cupcake Run 6/1 - Helena Laven and Jayme Cain are chairing.
 - Adding 50/50 raffle this year.
 - Christine is heading up raffle - any items, contact Christine.

VP Administrative Services – Jolena Presti

- Sending thank you letter today to Children’s for their \$5k sponsorship.

VP Cultural Arts and Sciences – Amanda Singh

- N/A

Teacher Appreciation Week Update - Monica Arnstein

- Teacher Appreciation Week is celebrated nationally 5/6-5/10, but Special Interest Day is 5/10. Propose to move it the week before: 4/29 - 5/3.
 - Would like to ask for volunteer from each class at Stormonth to communicate daily about the activities to make sure all parents know what is happening and can participate. Some parents have expressed lack of awareness in the past.
 - Monica will write template emails for the class reps to use.
 - At Bayside, she will possibly pass out flyers to students on 4/29 and coordinate with morning announcements to increase awareness.

VP Programs – Megan Girton

- Teacher conference dinners went well. Thanks to Cortney Roberts for coordinating.
- Kids Night Out has been canceled - redundant with Winter Fun Night and KinderDate and lack of volunteer chair.

Secretary – Melanie Berg

- Melanie motioned to keep existing paperwork, such as meeting minutes, for 7 years to mirror the financial document process. Older documents will be shredded. Katie approved.
- Continuing to use Google Drive for minutes history rather than printing out paper copies for filing purposes.

Good and Welfare/Adjournment. Meeting ended at 10:23. Katie motioned, Jolena seconded. Minutes approved 3/19 via email. Amanda motioned, Jolena seconded.