**BCES PTA Executive Board Meeting**

**September 5, 2018**

President, Lindsay Howell, presiding

Becky Sowar recording the minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1:20pm

**Members in Attendance :**

Lindsay Howell, Amber Lenger, Diana Hinojos, Stephanie Metcalf, Arianna Ellerbe, Stephanie Walsh, Becky Sowar, Christine Way, Dr. Brown ( for Mr. Ross )

**President Report :**

* We welcomed Mrs. Stevenson as our teacher representative this year.
* Recap of Meet the Teacher: the set up and location was great and the free gift with membership purchase was a great idea. Figure out another resource to take payment.
* Updated playground equipment for kindergarten is going in next week. There was also some added storage and painted, blacktop games for the upper grade playground
* Sponsorship Update:

Mathnasium is our sponsor for the summer program. In February, they will host a Math night with us.

Davis Orthodontics will be our Boosterthon sponsor and will provide the shirts again this year. Boosterthon will be April 11.

Eaglefest Sponsors: Brain Balance, Pelham Medical Center, Remax, Kangaroo Jax, South State Bank, Crossing at Five Forks, Simpsonville Family Dentistry, and State Farm

**Principal Report :** (read by Lindsay)

* Our enrollment is 1,029 students.
* Our student achievement is continuing to show growth in all areas.
* Kindergarten and first grade teachers will receive Project Read training to better support early reading skills. This training is made possible by a grant from Southern Wesleyan.
* Amanda Madden is our new technology specialist. She will support teachers with integrating technology into the curriculm. We are 1 in 5 schools to have such support.

**Secretary Report :**

* Minutes were emailed to look over.
* We are changing our policy on bereavement to include a card of condolence only. There will be no gift.
* Minutes and the budget do not have to be motioned on or approved at executive or general assembly meetings.
* It was discussed that a budget report is presented and reviewed at every general assembly and executive board meeting. The budget is only approved through a vote once a year, either at the first or last general assembly meeting.
* The agenda for our September 10 PTA General Assembly meeting was discussed. Topics to include : presentation of $80,000 check to Mr. Ross as part of our fundraising efforts and school support, carnival information, minutes and budget will be presented, and a membership report will be given.
* We will set up a membership and spirit wear table.

**Treasurer’s Report :**

* Christine presented current budget and broke down each area

income vs expenses.

* We have an increase in birthday announcements this year.
* Spirit wear sales and direct donations are right on par.
* Still waiting on Attraction Books/Barrier Island’s final numbers.

**Teacher Representative Report :**

* Mrs. Stevenson presented an online fitness program called “Adventure to Fitness” to help with getting children ready and motivated for the day. This would be rolled out for all grades to participate in. We will talk with Mr. Ross about how to proceed.
* Mrs. Stevenson also requested help in sewing covers for weighted blankets for student use.

**VP Membership Report :**

* Stephanie presented membership report. We have about 850 members, with 7 classes at 100%
* Currently uploading membership information into Memberhub. We will slowly roll out to parents, possibly beginning in the spring.

**VP Volunteer Report :**

* Discussed how to run the room parent meeting more efficiently.
* Our current need for volunteers are for carnival and the school store.
* Volunteer of the month for August – Marci Allen

**VP Ways and Means Report :**

* Eagle Fest is coming up. We need volunteers and board members to help. We have new and exciting things this year.
* We are asking that kindergarten through second grade donate candy and third through fifth donate cases of water.
* Our spirit night at Twisted Cup brought in $366. Our next spirit night is at Chick Fil A on September 13.
* The school store is opening on September 10 and will be open on Monday’s, Wednesday’s, and Friday’s.

**VP Programs Report :**

* Becky is attending a reflections workshop to determine due dates, etc.
* Our new publishing chair, Jennifer is doing a great job.
* Seeds training will be held on September 13
* Jessica is working on the summer program

**VP Communications Report :**

- We will post more on teacher news, carnival information, open house, and volunteer opportunities on our website and facebook.

**Other Business :**

* We will change our executive board meeting to the second Wednesday each month.

**The meeting was adjourned at 2:35pm.**