



Bromley East Charter School PTO

Minutes from September 6, 2017 General Membership Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by Janelle Hruby in the Cafeteria.

1. In attendance: Janelle Hruby – President, Theresa Powell – Vice President, Le Shane Tuck-Treasurer, Caitlin Murphy – Asst. Treasurer, Nicole Tefft – Secretary

PTO Members in attendance: Courtney French, Ashley Cunningham, Kasey Deaver, Anastasia Rush, Kyle Rush, Becky Freitas, Mike Beimeyer, Tiffanie Hein, Christy Lagerstrom, Loydene Dolezal, Amandine Miner, Aryn Lathas, Kerri Navarro, Ray Navarro, Ambree Schultz, Ellen Kammerzell, Nicole Clifton, Sarah McMurry, Becky Albano, Wyn Flato-Dominy, Stephanie Peloquin, Patricia Bankin, Veronica Paradise, Marisa DeCocco

2. Treasures Report - Check Register and Treasurer's report were reviewed. Refer to PTO website under financials to review in detail. \$2,000 is currently available for spending at this time. The Treasurer's report will be approved at the next meeting. Motioned – Courtney French. Approved.
3. May 2017 Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Motioned – Sarah McMurry. Approved.
4. **Funding Requests/Proposals/Bids**
 - \$477 for Movie License. Motioned – Caitlin Whitehead. Approved.
 - \$400 for Teacher Birthday Celebrations. Motioned – LeShane Tuck. Approved.
 - \$600 for Teacher Meals \$300 per conference. Motioned – Ray Navarro. Approved.
 - \$400 Special Education Department. Motioned – Sarah McMurry. Approved.
5. **Old Business:**
 - A. Member at Large Reports
 - **Box Tops/Campbell's labels** – Box tops are collected annually. Last year approximately \$2,000 worth of box tops were collected. Stephanie Peloquin will coordinate the counting of the box tops this year. Box tops can be turned into your child's teacher for collection by the PTO.
6. **Other school committee reports:**
 - **Welcome Wagon** – New families to BECS receive a welcome gift and letter. Please contact LeShane Tuck if you are a new family to BECS. We would appreciate the opportunity to welcome you to the school. Welcome Wagon committee members are welcome. Contact LeShane if you are interested in being a volunteer.
 - **Fundraising** – The fall fundraiser is the Big Kahuna Company. The catalog has a variety of items such as food, wrapping paper, Tupperware, etc. that can be purchased. A percentage of the funds used purchase the items comes to BECS. Students will be rewarded for the number of items sold. The kickoff for the fall fundraising event is 9/15/17. Order forms must be turned in by 9/26/17, Pick up of items that are purchased is on 10/18/17. Over \$23,000 was raised by this fundraiser last year for BECS to purchase items needed in the classrooms. Chaperons are needed for the limo ride to the pizza party. Please contact Courtney French if you would like to assist.
 - **Executive Director Report** – Dr. David Shadwell – Welcome to parents attending the PTO meeting. Participation is greatly appreciated. PTO participation makes the school stronger. PTO programs support the technology program which is fantastic.

- **Teacher Report** – Kim Rollman will be the elementary school liason. Amanda Rydlund will be the middle school liason.
- **School Board** – No report.

7. New Business:

- BECS Chick-fil-A Spirit Day will be on Tuesday, October 24. Visit the Brighton Chick-fil-A between 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and make sure you mention that you are a supporter of BECS. Purchases can be made through the drive-thru as well. A percentage of your purchase will benefit BECS. Give them your child's teacher's name for a chance to win a FREE cookie tray for your child's class.
- PTO Skate Night at the Wagon Wheel will be on Thursday, February 15, 2018.
- Taco Bingo Committee – Taco Bingo is the spring fundraiser for BECS. Bingo, tacos, nachos, treats and raffle items are available for this fun family event. Contact Janelle Hruby if you are interested in volunteering to be on this committee.
- A Directory of services provided by parents of BECS is going to be available this year. If you sign up to receive a directory before the end of this month you will be able to have a FREE directory. Businesses should scan and e-mail a business card that will be included in the directory. Coupons will be accepted as well. Contact LeShane Tuck if you would like to have your contact information in the directory.
- The King Soopers gift cards when used, will give 5% back to BECS. This is a benefit for middle schoolers. Students going to Washington D.C. or Sea Camp will receive the funds directly for these trips. The funds received will be used to purchase items needed for the classrooms. Cards can be used for gas if they are pre-loaded with funds. They cannot be used for gift card purchases. If you would like to purchase a pre-loaded gift card e-mail Janelle at Janelle@becspto.org
- The PTO has signed up for Amazon Smile. BECS will receive a percentage back from Amazon Smile if you select BECS PTO as the beneficiary prior to making your purchase.
- The PTO has a Facebook website. Parents should "Like" the BECS PTO Facebook page to increase awareness regarding events, fundraisers, etc. There is a link to the PTO Facebook page on the PTO website home page. The PTO has links to PTO Google and Pinterest. Parents can also use technology such as the Text Reminder and Parent Volunteer Survey on the PTO website.

8. Announcements/Other Business

- The next PTO Meeting will be held on November 1 @ 6:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria.
- Please be sure to log your volunteer hours. Every \$10 donated to the school or your child's classroom is equal to one volunteer hour.
- For all purchases at King Soopers on the gift cards the PTO gets 5% back. Cards can be purchased from Janelle for a cost of \$5.00 and come preloaded with \$5.00 to spend. Gas can be purchased on the card at the customer service desk or at the gas station. Target has a red card. When the red card is linked to BECS, the PTO receives 3% of all purchases. Over \$10,000 was credited to BECS last year due to red card purchases. Cards are a great way to support our school!
- The BECS PTO uses technology to communicate including Facebook, Google+, Text Reminders and the Parent Volunteer survey which can be found on our website.

Anastasia Rush won the BECS T-shirt.

Loydene Dolezal won the \$15 Starbucks gift card.

Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 6:36 pm. Approved unanimously, no objections or discussion.