

J.R. Briggs Elementary School PTA
jrb-pta.org
General Membership Meeting
March 11, 2020 @ 6:30pm

President: Jason Stanton

Vice President: Michelle Parkinson

Treasurer: Greg Belkin

Secretary: Tiffani Sell

Meeting Called at 6:36 PM

Opening Remarks

- Jason Stanton, President, thanked everyone for taking their time to attend the meeting. We appreciate you taking the time to join us!

Principal's Report

- 100th day of school
- Made it through Valentine's day without candy and had fun
- Calendar raffle drawings are a blast
- Read across america week was awesome

Secretary's Report

- New Sandwich board was purchased and placed back on the road today.
- Tiffani Sell, Secretary, presented the February 12, 2020 meeting minutes for approval. Minutes were approved as presented.
- Strike "Keeping dedicating prize " under bingo night

Treasurer's Report

- Greg Belkin, Treasurer, presented the treasurer's reporting month February 2020.
 - Not a lot of action in January
 - February had quite a lot of activity
 - Dance profit from \$1815.00
 - Ending Balance \$8,779.17
 - One note that Jason and Greg will need to look into dance night numbers
 - Treasurer's report was approved and accepted as presented

Administrative Matters

- Yearbook
 - Tiffani Sell will chair the project. Michelle Parkinson and Jason Stanton will assist.
 - The office staff (Ms. Paula and Mrs. Pilsbury) have stepped up to help and are amazing!
 - Will be providing a list of 5th grade purchased April 1 and April 15th to Mrs. Lilley and Mr. North - to help nudge parents and fill in missing gaps.
 - The Yearbook is 75% completed
 - Structure set

- Staff and students are in place
 - Everyone has been contacted and assigned deadlines
 - Things still needed:
 - Grade and event candids
 - Baby pictures - deadline April 13th
 - Missing Students and staff
 - Dedications
 - Kates Page info - in which this years book is dedicated
 - 5th grade memory - need to follow up with 5th grade teachers
 - Cover contest pages - will have by April 1
 - Important change:
 - Increased pages from 60 to 66
 - We will need to pay the difference for pre-paid books of \$51.00
 - The new cost will be \$21.00 for softcover and \$25.95 for Hardcover
 - Increases our profit to scholarship fund by .50 to 1.64
- Boosterthon Fun Run
 - The Boosterthon Fun Run is coming up soon
 - There was a meeting on Friday with the boosterthon folks
 - It will be tail end of MCAs - the schedule works nicely
 - Its an 8 day program
 - beginning with a student prep-rally on Wednesday 5/6
 - Ending with the fun run event of Friday 5/15
 - The run turns out to be about 2 miles
 - Volunteers needed for:
 - Water Tables during fun run on 5/15
 - 5-6 people needed per 2 morning shifts for K-5
 - 1-2 people needed per 2 afternoon shifts for Pre-k AM & PM
 - T-Shirts
 - Fundraising for event T-shirts may be difficult. Many organizations in the area have already been contacted by the school for Ready Set Glow. Any ideas are appreciated.
 - Conservative profit estimates, based on the WES event, suggest a profit of \$20,000 - \$24,000.
- Roll-on America
 - Myriah Zwicker is coordinating this event
 - We added another event on Friday 5/1.
 - November event - 24 attendance
 - Next Scheduled events
 - January 18th (saturday)
 - March 20th (Friday)
 - Total to date in attendance - 36

- We need 70 more paid attendees to meet 125 for the \$1,000.00 donation
- Lyman Orchards Pie and Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Fundraiser
 - This fundraiser is being run by Melissa Basnett and Elizabeth Branham.
 - Orders will be delivered on 4/2.
 - Total sales \$5265.00
 - It is estimated that the PTA will earn \$2,077.60 for this fundraiser
- Game Night - 3/6
 - Jason Stanton ran this event.
 - Everything Went great. We had about 200 pre-registered and 110 paid at the door. It was our best attendance in several years.
 - Profits are estimated to be almost \$300.
- Bunny Breakfast - 3/28 (8:00am - 11:00am)
 - Jason Stanton (is unhappily) running this event.
 - Volunteers needed for:
 - 1-2 people Pancake flipping Friday Afternoon
 - 1-2 people Organize/setup craft tables (includes Friday setup at 5:30)
 - 1-2 people Organize/stuff eggs and prizes for candy guess
 - 4-6 people Setup on Friday at 5:30
- Classroom "Go-Kits" Funding Request
 - Sgt. Boucher
 - Provided a list of costs and supplies needed for school safety kits
 - Approaching PTA and education foundation
 - It was suggested to approach target and walmart for gift cards or donations
 - Looking for sponsorship for 1 per each classroom
 - Ultimately we would need to make the buckets - 1 per each classroom - approximately 45 buckets need to be made
 - PTA is the first stop
 - Each school will fund independently
 - Once kits are purchased - safety drills, training and reviews are held for teachers on an annual basis. This helps to identify what is missing or what is needed for the new school year's classroom.
 - The suggestion was made to post in the newsletter or on Facebook to tap into the community support for donations of goods or money
 - Total ask would be \$2,768.85 to assemble all 45 buckets
 - Greg Proposed that \$1500.00 be taken from the mini grant fund reducing the availability to \$4,500 from \$6,000.
 - The motion was made to Fund the Go kits up to \$2,768.85 and passed
- Camp Cody Raffle/Fundraisers
 - Jason was contacted by a representative of Camp Cody. Then indicated that they donate to schools and community organizations in towns that their campers live in. They would like to donate three \$1,750 gift cards for an auction or raffle as a fundraiser. These are non-consignment items and there are no obligations, 100% of the money raised is kept.
 - The parameters are as follows:

- Can be used for boys and girls ages 7-15
- Only to be used towards the purchase of one 2-week session.
- No other discounts apply when using this gift card
- One Gift card allowed per camper
- Valid for new Camp Cody Families only
- Session enrollment based on availability. Not applicable for Session 2 (July 5 - July 18) and Session 3 (July 19 - August 1).
 - Valid for Session 1 (June 21 - July 4) or Session 4 (August 2 - August 15)
- Families will pay a total of \$2,200 to Camp Cody (Sessions are normally \$3,950). A \$500.00 deposit will be due at the time of registration.
- Santa Shop
 - 830 items bought
 - \$1000.00 spent so far
 - Projecting that 3,000 items are needed for each student to purchase 5 items each
 - Will need roughly additional \$2,000.00 to purchase the amount of goods needed
 - Will have a better estimate for next meeting what amount will be available
- Next Events
 - Roll On America - 3/20
 - Bunny Breakfast - 3/28
- Next Meeting - Wednesday April 8th, 2020

Open Forum

- STEAM Night - requesting additional \$325.00 funds - A motion was made and passed

Closing Remarks

- Ashburnham Wine & Spirits gift card giveaway - Becky Allen was the big winner!!!

Meeting Adjourned at 7:56 PM