

Blasdell Elementary School 22-23 PTA First General PTA

Date: September 28, 2022

Time: 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Call Meeting to Order:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Moment of Silence

Approval of the Meeting Minutes from May 27th, 2022.

1. Olivia Schwarzott
2. Helen Senese

Introduction of the new board members.

Principals Report – Shannon Thurston

Mrs. Thurston is honored to be Blasdell Elementary School's Principal and to be working with the PTA. She is working to make the home – school connection more evident.

Playground: The playground had some minor updated with new swings to make it safer for our students for this year. This summer the new playground will be installed, more details will be shared at our next PTA meeting on 10/13.

Safety: The school completed the 6 fire-drills needed prior to December 31st, with two remaining to be completed in the Spring. There will be 2 lock down drills and more information will be sent out via Blackboard. The ground floor windows received enhanced glass safety window film tint. Our Main Door 1 will also be receiving tint similar to the H.S. Only 3 doors in the building have limited FOB access.

Procedure: Parent Volunteer Packet was reviewed and those in attendance were trained.

Teachers Report – Helen Senese

The teachers thanked the parents for coming to parent info nights and helping to bridge the gap between home and school. They also thanked the PTA for the books that they received prior to the school year starting.

K, 1 & 2: Classes learning about Johnny Apple Seed and tasting apples, etc.

3rd grade: received several grants and will be going on three field trips this year. Explore & More in October, a Farm to Table Field Trip, and Hershey Carousel Museum in the Spring. The 3rd Grade Service Project is collecting Pop Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, please collect and send in your tabs. The goal is to help a good cause and teach our kids that it doesn't take a lot to help other people.

4th & 5th grade: Clubs are starting: Yoga, art, service and Student Government

Square 1 Art: The art is being worked on with Ms. Juron on art class. Information will be sent home.

Board Member Reports

- Erin Parks: Vice President: The Facebook Page is a great way for us to get information out to our parents. Please stay respectful and feel free to call the office for any questions specific to the school. The Facebook page is ran and moderated by parent volunteers.
- Nicole Sweeney: Treasurer: Reviewed the 2022-2023 Proposed Budget
 - Balance as of July 1st: \$15,683.00
 - Current Balance: \$17,927.94
 - Profits:
 - Water Bottle Sales: \$290.00
 - Barrett Family Lemonade Stand: \$200.00
 - Fran & Ceil Night: \$200.00
 - Amazon Smiles: \$28.07
 - PTA tent at JFK Concert: \$232.00
 - Expenses:
 - Kindergarten Welcome Night: \$69.94
 - Picture Day combs/supplies: \$59.34
 - Water Bottles: \$703.00
 - Budget was approved:
 1. Heather Smith
 2. Lindsey Jakabowski
- Jennifer Silver: Council Delegate: First PTA Council meeting will be on October 5th.
- Courtney Malicki: Membership Chair:
 - Our Membership Goal for the year is: 172
 - Our Current Membership is: 146
 - Apparel orders just closed, they will take 3-4 weeks to fill, and be distributed in homeroom classrooms.
- Lizzii Young: Fundraising Chair:
 - Premium Coffee: October 2022
 - Sneaker Drive: Recycle used sneakers – throughout the school year
 - Dine Out Nights. Had our first at Fran & Ceils for back to school, more to come.
 - Chicken BBQ: with Hamburg Masters: end of March
 - Flower Sale or Candy/chips for the Spring – looking for feedback...meat raffle, discount cards, night out books.
- Tiffany Tangel: Secretary:
 - Picture day was moved to Tuesday, October 4th. Retake day is Wednesday, October 26th.
 - Advocacy Committee report.
- Heather Caligiuri: President:
 - Provided more information on the Teacher Grants for each grade level being supplied from the PTA for 22-23 school year.
 - Our goal is to be an All – Inclusive PTA
 - Mrs. Haertel was the winner of the \$150 Scholastic Dollars



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- The PTA is using Scholastic Dollars to gift the 9 new teachers some books/supplies off of their wish lists to help build their classrooms.
- Ms. Juron is working on a new T-shirt design/logo using 4 Bees, one for each special.

Upcoming Events: Please feel free to volunteer:

- Kindergarten Welcome Night 9/29/22 @ 6:00pm
- Fall Fest/Scavenger Hunt: October 27th
- School Banking will return.
- Next PTA meeting is Thursday, October 13th at 6:00pm.

Motion to Adjourn:

1. Olivia Schwarzott
2. Lindsey Jakobowski