



Thursday, April 10th, 2025
7:00 - 8:15 p.m. via Zoom

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Agenda

- 7:00 pm** **Call to order and Welcome** - Alina Lewis, PTO President
- [Approval of Minutes](#) – Jane Diina and Amy Suen, Recording Secretaries
- 7:05** **Agenda preview and Framing**- Alina
- 7:05** **Principal's Report**- Eric Havlik, Principal
- 7:05pm**
- Thanks to everyone that came on Family morning.
 - There are 2 more meetings after this one.
 - Getting ready for Spring Break April 14-18.
 - April 22-23: 4 to 8th grade ELA Computer based State Test.
 - April 29-30: 3rd grade ELA state test; paper and pencil assessment.
 - Talent show auditions were yesterday. Best of luck to everyone!
 - 2nd grade post office delivered over 900 letters.
 - Planning K Cafe, week of May 19th.
 - 7th grade wind turbines project with BEAM.
 - Center for Architecture started for second grade.
 - Cell phones and other personal electronic devices including smart watches must be turned off and cannot be visible during the school day in campus and recess yards.
 - No Place for Hate film series: celebrating different identities (K-5)
 - Students participated in Science showdown competing against other D20 schools.
 - Successfully completed the 6th and 8th grade overnight trips.
 - 4th and 5th grade classes have coding classes.
- 7:20** **Treasurer's Report**- Jerry Calixto, Treasurer
- Monthly Financial report
- Family contributions \$114,863 YTD; 45% of full year goal
 - Fiscal year: 7/1/24 to 6/30/25
 - Approximately \$168K raised in current year for NEXT academic year's enrichment 2025-2026
 - Looking for a new treasurer for next year since Jerry will be terming out. Please feel free to reach out to Jerry!

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BSI Student Enrichment Fund- Karah Woodward, VP Fundraising

- General update

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- \$255,000 in Direct Donations and 100% family participation is our goal.
- \$114,863 in direct donations and 34% family participation so far.

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BSI Staff Spotlight- Ms. Annet Lopez, Spanish Teacher

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- 6-8th grade Spanish Teacher: Ms Lopez
- I was a TA in a Russian speaking class. I encourage myself to learn new languages. I enjoy being in the classroom.
- 7th graders just finished their weather project.

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Other Updates and Events

- Gala Update and Planning- Hristina
- Upcoming CEC elections- Alina and Klaudia
- Upcoming PTO board elections/Nominating Committee - Karah Woodward

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- Formally Gala is now the 16th Annual BSI Blue Ribbon Bash
- Saturday, May 31st from 7-11pm @ Baron DeKalb 3000 Emmons Avenue
- Will have live raffles, dinner, open bar all night, dancing.
- Buy early bird tickets NOW for \$95.
- Please help by: Donating an item you want to put up for auction or donate a service such as a class, lesson, etc.
- You can also help by contacting a business or service and asking for a donation. Donor spreadsheet and sign up sheet available on Konstella post.
- This is the biggest fundraiser of the year. PTO is sponsoring the SPRING BREAK AUCTION CHALLENGE RAFFLE. If you bring an auction or secure a donation between the 12-20th, you will be entered in our raffle to win one FREE ticket to the BSI bash.
- CEC election is coming up. We've been active on the board. Every parent has 3 votes per child to vote for parent representative. 4/25-5/13 to cast your vote.
- PTO board elections will take place in May and June.

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SLT Report- Danielle Tarantolo

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Q and A

8:06pm

Q: Can we ban chromebooks during free time and recess?

A: We are giving game options for students that want to stay inside but will mostly encourage outdoor recess.

8:10 pm

Shout Outs and Meeting Adjournment

Next Gen Mtg: Thursday, May 15th, 7pm via zoom.

Contact: If you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns, please let us know at: execbd@bsipto.org