



Booth Hill School PTO General Meeting November 6, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Sam Cook, Victoria Shea, Jessica Zervos, Tony Persaud, Mrs. Marks, Mrs. Grabarz, Mrs. Testani, Georgina Matsikas, David Spinetti, Ediris Squitieri, Erica McNeil, FS Salomone, Jenn Caruso, Jennifer Garcia, Jessica Callahan, Joanne Price, Kari Webb, Kirk Logan, Leeann Deloma, Mary Rose Dymond

1. President's Report – Sam Cook

- a. Thank you Mae for a successful Trunk or Treat event. The weather was beautiful, kids were smiling, and trunks were amazing.
- b. Thank you Jess and Domenica for the Book Fair. The \$5 was amazing that was every kid could choose something.
- c. Thank you Tony for doing the legwork for the outdoor classroom. We are excited everything is finally been approved and we can start building soon.
- d. Thank you Melissa for setting up some treats for the teachers in their lounge.
- e. Thank you, Monica, Joe, and Elizabeth for an awesome and successful fun run. Thank you to Mrs. Marks and all the teachers for supporting and participating in this amazing event. Thank you to all the families who helped with the donations. This was such a fun experience and we raised almost \$20,000.
- f. Thank you Monica, Joe, Tony and the Dads Club for setting up the flag football and soccer game for the parents. They raised \$1600.

2. Treasurer's Report – Victoria Shea

- a. $\$45,990.68 + \$1,131.12 + 529.92 = \$47,651.72$
- b. There are a few outstanding checks. Funds are allocated for future events and outdoor classroom.

3. Principle's Report – Mrs. Marks

- a. Thank you everyone for the fun run, book fair, and trunk or treat.



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- b. thank you for coming to conferences, the Girl Scout childcare has worked out great.
- c. The staff participated in a lot of professional learning on Election Day.
- d. Our evacuation show was successful the children take them very seriously. We couldn't be more proud.
- e. There will be a bus evacuation drill on Friday for those to take the bus.
- f. PBIS is in full swing and students of the month has started. We are taking a different approach this year instead of handing out rewards at an assembly.
- g. The veterans celebration will be Monday at 2:15. It's a wonderful heartwarming event.
- h. Wednesday, the Rotary club will present the third graders with dictionaries.
- i. SEL surveys went out in an email, see the email for details.
- j. November 22nd, 26th and 27th our early dismissals school is closed November 28th and 29th for Thanksgiving break.
- k. Our annual balloon parade will be held on November 25th at 2:30.
- l. We supply mylar balloons, or if you would like to purchase your own mylar balloon you can. No latex at all in the building due to allergies.
- m. Please put names on your children's BHS gear. They all look alike.

4. Teacher's Report – Mrs. Grabarz, Ms. Testani

- a. Our play based learning in class is great.
- b. The fun run was a great time.
- c. Thank you for the book fair, the trunk or treat, and the fall parties.
- d. Mrs. Luyando visited at the fun run. It was a surprise to everyone. Please keep them in your thoughts. She wanted to say thank you for everything.
- e. Thank you, parents for coming to the conferences.
- f. The children love, buddy, the birthday bulldog.
- g. The five dollars was for the children at the book fair.
- h. The kindergartners love their field trip today.

5. Community Outreach – Tony Persaud

- a. Thank you for the donations for the food drive.



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- b. December we will be collecting toys for the children hospital ward at Bridgeport Hospital.
6. Dad's Club – Tony Persaud
- a. There is no fee to be involved in the Dad's Club.
 - b. We hang out, do fun things, help when we are needed.
 - c. December 8th we are going to do another football game if the weather is good.
 - d. We will try to do a softball game before Thanksgiving.
7. Islander's Game – Tony Persaud
- a. The game will be on January.
 - b. Kids are going to be able to sing again and one child will be able to hold the American flag on the ice.
8. Outdoor Classroom – Tony Persaud
- a. Permits were approved and it's a go!
 - b. Time capsule would be cool, ideas are welcome.
9. Pie Fundraiser – Jess Zervos
- a. Fundraiser is open until November 15th.
 - b. It's \$20 per pie certificate, \$10 per donuts certificate.
 - c. Gift certificates will be distributed to your child in school November 20th.
 - d. Gift cards do not expire.
10. Merry Market – Georgina Matsikas
- a. In school holiday shopping experience December 10-12.
 - b. Kids will shop during school hours.
 - c. Reasonably priced gifts. Gifts will be wrapped so they can make it a surprise if they would like.
 - d. Flyers will be sent home soon.
 - e. Parent volunteers are need, be on the look out for the sign up genius.
11. Breakfast with Santa – Heather Alves
- a. Event date is December 14th
 - b. Santa is secured and high school volunteers.



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- c. Dads Club will be making the pancakes.
- d. Will need volunteers to help set up the night before.

12. Vendors Fair – Domenica Yaworowski, Elizabeth Staffieri

- a. Still looking for more vendors.
- b. Piano time will be playing music. Face paint again.
- c. If you know any vendors interested please reach out to us or go to the pto website.

13. Gala – Jenn Caruso.

- a. There will be a lot of silent auction prizes.
- b. Tickets are on sale. There is a 200 max so purchase them sooner rather than later.
- c. Going to be great event.

14. General Comments/Questions

- a. After school programs will start again the second week of January.
- b. The Giggling Pig will be on Fridays.

Meeting adjourned – 7:50 p.m.