

NOVEMBER 17, 2022 GENERAL PTO MEETING

Thursday, November 17, 2022

7:00-8:30pm via [Zoom](#)

Agenda

Total in attendance: 60

7pm kickoff: Approval of minutes

Donna:

- Big thank you for volunteers for Book Fair & Harvest Fest.

Havlik: Principal's Report

- Family Friday: December 16th.
- Approval to move forward for overnight trips (Grades 6/7/8). Possibly a 5th grade museum night.
- BEAM: PTO approved and paid.
- Chess K-5, Center for Architecture - 2nd, Coding 4th-5th
- Middle School Updates: SHSAT test, Student Government, Open House took place today, 6th grade admission will be lottery
- After school programming: Debate up and running, Musical 6th-8th grade, Band 4th-8th grade, next month math club start
- District 20 Grading Policy Update: Core Courses switching to percentages

District 20 Grading Policy	District 20 School Report Cards (2nd-8th Grade)	Grading Policy contd. 2nd-5th	• % for Science, Social Studies, Reading, Writing and Math
	<i>Grading Guidelines: Numeric Course Grades</i>		• Overall ELA grade on report card will be an average of Reading and Writing %
	<i>Required for Core Courses (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies)</i>		• 2nd - 5th separate Google Classrooms above categories with visible overall grade
	• 100-65: Pass • 64-55: Fail		• Sub-categories, clusters and listening and speaking remain 1-4 or P/F
	<i>Districtwide Grading Category Weights</i>		
	• Classroom Exams/Quizzes: 45%		
	• Class Assignments: 25%		
	• Class Projects: 25%		
	• Homework: 5%		

- STEM LAB: Training starts tomorrow on training in lab with teachers and NY SUN WORKS.
- What's happening at BSI? Slideshow: Celebrated Native American History Month, Hydroponics Elective, 3D printer, Classes working together (writing shares), Character Strong continues, Shark Tank with Inventions, Field Trips up and running, Pop Art & Pointillism with Miss Nanna, Recess: Getting cold, make sure kids are dressed warmly. Talk Show activities, 6th grade humanities.

7:29: BRIAN FINANCIAL REPORT:

BSI PTO Treasurer's Report				
Fundraising Update				
<i>Funds we have raised so far to cover the cost of enrichments in 2023-2024</i>				
Enrichment cost for next year is \$527k				
		Goal	Nov'22	Nov'21
• Fundraised 13% of the Goal	Total contributions	455.0	60.9	48.5
	Direct appeal	405.0	50.4	40.7
• Mainly Direct Appeal, donations from families and corporate contributions	Corporate contributions	50.0	10.5	7.8
	Fundraising events	108.7	9.1	13.2
• \$8k from Harvest Festival fundraising	Referral fee	2.0	0.4	0.4
	Total revenue	563.9	70.8	62.1
• Expenses include t-shirt cost, Lakeside rental space fee and merchant account fee	Fundraising expenses	33.3	4.2	4.1
	General/Administrative	3.6	0.6	1.2
	Total expense	36.9	4.9	5.3
	Net Income	~13%	527.0	66.0
			56.8	

Bank balance & expenses paid

Bank balance, 11/17/2022

Chase checking	\$38k
Live Oak bank	\$192k
Total	\$230k

Bank balance includes:

- \$70k raised current year for enrichments next academic year (2023-24);
- \$160k raised last year which we will use to pay enrichments in 2022-2023 academic year

Checks paid

Payments for	Amount
Art/Science supply	\$23,000
Reimbursement	\$215

School Supply

- Check to BSI, \$23,000 for art and science supply (K through 8)

Fundraising/school activity

- Reimbursement for snacks for Harvest Festival (\$135) and coffee for teachers (\$80)

Proposed Budget 2022-2023

Funds we need to raise to cover cost of the enrichments in 202

Proposed 2022-2023 Budget (the cost of enrichments in 2023-2024)				
	Total		Total	
Total Contributions	455,000	Fundraising Expenses	33,300	
Direct Appeal	405,000	Book Fair	300	
Corporate Contributions	50,000	Chess Festival	500	
Fundraising Events	108,650	Read-A-Thon	1,000	
Book Fair	1,500	Year-end Gala	16,000	
BSI Merch Sale*	3,000	Fall Harvest	3,000	
Chess Event	4,000	Ice Skating	2,500	
Read-A-Thon	14,000	Merchant Fee	9,500	
Year-end Gala	70,000	Ice Cream Social	200	
Fall Harvest	10,000	Movie night	300	
Ice Skating	3,500	Administrating Expenses	3,600	
Movie night	650	PTO Insurance	650	
Referral Fee	2,000	Software Subscription	850	
		Teacher & Staff Appreciation	1,300	
		Konstella subscription	800	
Gross Income	563,895	Total Expenses	36,900	
		Net Income	526,995	

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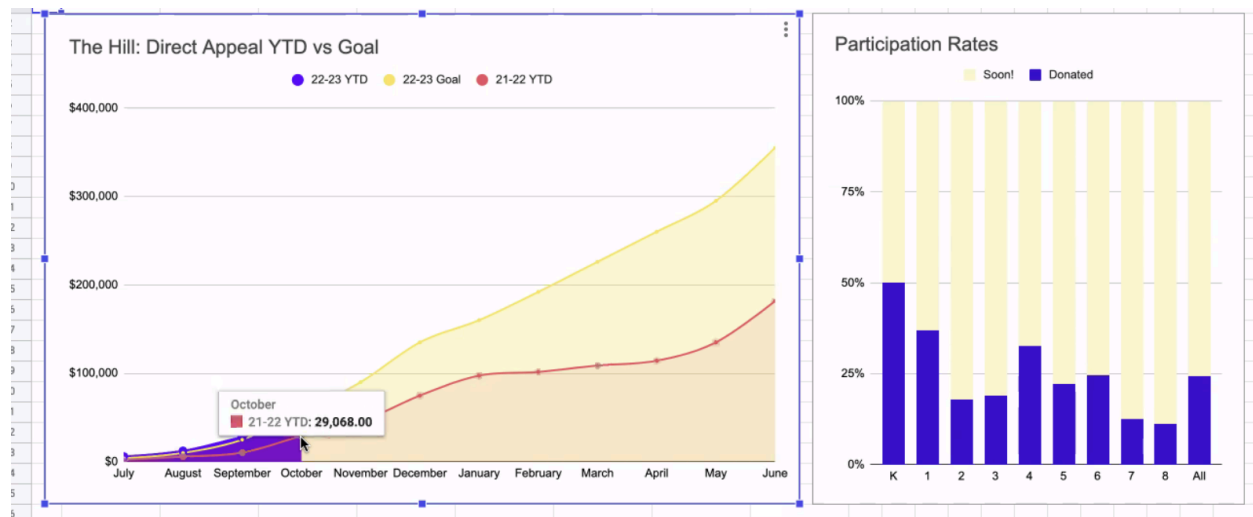
MARJORIE: Fundraising & Gala

- Used Books big hit, lots of donations and will utilize to keep selling
- Gala: Need new venue, ideas! Closer to school, combined indoor/outdoor space, low cost & willing to bring in own catering. Marjorie shared spreadsheet to update locations if there are suggestions.

7:42: Hemalee: Direct Appeal

- Gratefulness theme for month: Direct appeal is 80% of money for enrichments. Goal is 100% participation, and approximately \$1500/child.
- Showing appreciation makes you happier! You are supporting school community and kids 😊

7:45 Jeff Bolas shares graphs for DA.



- Shares chart and urges 100% participation
- Karah- Need to follow up on how we can answer questions about matching donations

7:50 SLT Report- Danielle Tarantolo

- D20 grading policy
- Overnight trips
- MS admissions
- Minutes are approved from first meeting and available on website
- Next meeting on 12/13
- Reach out if there are any parent issues

7:52 Melinda LaRose, book fair update

- Thanks participants, updates on the event, and ongoing sale online to raise money

7:55 Joel Cunningham, Events update

- Gauging interest in ice skating on a weeknight, LeFrak is pushing us away from weekend events.

7:58 Q and A

Tricia R- plug for a project sharing day for MS. Overnight trips, plug for 2 trips if possible!

Alina L- MS admissions process. Eric- just put BSI first

Agata- what is the purpose of iready? Eric- it is one data point, we are required to do some kind of diagnostic. Teacher can help you interpret it better. Anna Moshura- it depends on the child there can be language barriers and other things.

Nan- can parents choose if they are in ICT or gen ed class? Eric- its mixed class, we don't take requests...

Julia- DESSA question. Can we get results? Eric- will need to get back to you on that

Brian- what is PEEK? Eric- Outdoor experience in the poconos

Marjorie- coding question. Eric- its shorter than some of the other enrichments. Plug for an overnight 5th grade trip

Stella Wu- recess supervision?

Kathy Rugh- grading policy question. Eric- district wide for D 20

8:28 Meeting Adjourned