

Thursday Nov 21st, 2024  
7:00 - 8:15 p.m. via Zoom

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Attendees: Hera Javed, Jane Diina, Amy Suen, Erik Havlik, Donna P, Karah Woodward, Karen Philips, Carole Chen, Alina Lewis, Marjorie Naidich, Kathy Rugh, Melinda LaRose,



### Agenda

- 7:00 pm**                      **Call to order and Welcome** - Alina Lewis, PTO President
- [Approval of Minutes](#) – Jane Diina and Amy Suen, Recording Secretaries
  - Vote later on for SLT and assistant treasurer at 7:45
- 7:05**                              **Agenda preview and Framing**- Alina
- 7:05 pm**                      **Principal's Report** - Eric Havlik, principal
- Alina just elected member of CEC - congratulations!
  - Presentation: Report Cards went out today, theme week before winter recess, enrichments happening: music recorders, center for architecture, coding space, NEW: retro gaming, FUTURE: band 4th-8th, Spring volleyball, getting cold, so OUTDOOR PLAY: not prohibited, just need to be dressed appropriately, indoor recess if temp dips below 32 degrees, STAFFING UPDATES: offer to parent coordinator!
  - QUESTIONS: Yondr pouches - why aren't we using them? A lot to manage on the staff side, escalated consequences for having phones out, protections for DOE given Chromebooks (every 7th & 8th grader), protections: DOE firewall, Go Guardian (they can see what's happening on students' computers),
  - Buddy Classes started - great community building, first Diwali celebration, No Place for Hate! In full swing, student government election
- 7:20 pm**                      **Treasurer's Report**- Jerry Calixto, Treasurer
- Monthly Financial report

## Fundraising Update

Funds raised since July 2024 to present for enrichments in 2025-2026

	Full Year Goal	Nov 24	Nov 23
Family Contributions	\$255,000	\$48,494	\$37,371
Corporate Contributions	\$40,000	\$3,803	\$8,462
Fundraising Events	\$114,300	\$14,660	\$13,880
Interest Income	\$8,000	\$755	\$2,405
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$417,300</b>	<b>\$67,712</b>	<b>\$62,118</b>
Fundraising Fees & Expenses	\$32,800	\$2,652	\$5,257
Administrative Expenses	\$2,850	\$28	\$704
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$35,650</b>	<b>\$2,666</b>	<b>\$5,961</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$381,650</b>	<b>\$65,032</b>	<b>\$56,157</b>

- Fiscal year: July 1st, 2024 to June 30, 2025
- Family contributions is 19% of full year goal and \$11k higher than prior year
- Overall net income is 17% of the goal

BSI PTO TREASURER'S REPORT

## Bank Balance & Expenses Paid

### Bank Balance, 11/19/2024

Chase Checking	\$ 14,883
Live Oak Bank	\$ 132,558
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 147,441</b>

- Approximately \$65K raised in current year for **NEXT** academic year's enrichment, 2025-2026 (per previous slide)
- Approximately \$82K left on PTO bank accounts which will be used to pay for the enrichments in **CURRENT**, 2024-2025 academic year

### Expenses paid in November 2024

Payments	Amount
Teacher's Breakfast	\$ 325

# Fundraising Goals Current School Year 2024-2025

Funds we need to raise to pay for enrichments in next school year 2025-2026

	Total
Total Contributions	\$295,000
Direct Appeal	255,000
Corporate Contributions	40,000
Fundraising Events	114,300
Book Fair	500
T-Shirt Sales	2,800
Chess Event	5,000
Read-A-Thon	13,000
Year-End Gala	70,000
Fall Harvest	12,000
Ice Skating	3,500
Movie Night	2,000
Year-End BSI Book	3,500
BEAM	500
Urban Air	1,500
Net Income	8,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$417,300</b>

	Total
Fundraising Expenses	\$32,800
Book Fair	200
Chess Festival	750
Read-A-Thon	1,000
Year-End Gala	15,000
Fall Harvest	3,000
Ice Skating	2,500
Merchant Fee	5,500
Ice Cream Social	250
Movie Night	300
T-Shirt	2,000
Year-End BSI Book	2,300
Administrative Expenses	\$2,850
PTO Insurance	700
Software Subscription	850
Teacher & Staff Appreciation	1,300
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$35,650</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$381,650</b>

## Enrichment Costs Budget for Current School Year 2024-2025

Cost	Student Enrichment Category
\$112,500	Cluster/Specialty Teacher
\$95,000	Teaching Assistants
\$10,000	Art Supply
\$10,000	Science Supply
\$800	Konstella
\$20,000	Chess-in-Class
\$2,000	Math club supplies
\$3,000	Musical Stage crew supplies
\$17,600	Coding Space
\$8,400	Debate
\$34,500	Band
\$15,000	Music k-3
\$20,000	Beam
\$4,800	Center for Architecture
\$5,000	Elective/Lunch Supplies
\$4,000	Overnight trip Scholarships
\$362,600	

\$20K Grant

- Looking for people for treasurers team!

7:25

**BSI Student Enrichment Fund-** Karah Woodward, VP Fundraising

- General update and goals for year end
- Need direct donations - makes up 80% of enrichments, shooting for 100% participation, right now at 19% participation, check corporate match, giving Tuesday coming up!
- This is our village!

7:30 pm

**Events Update-** Hera Javed and Carole Ma, VPs of Events

- Harvest Fest Recap
  - Upcoming Events and Preview of Year long events calendar
- Thanks for a successful Harvest Fest, thank you parents for raising \$14,000
  - Calendar BSI PTO events: Ice cream social, Harvest Festival, Movie Night, Holiday Market starting 2025, Lunar New Year Celebration, Chess Festival, Urban Air, Gala, Cyclones Game
  - Lunar New Year celebration in early February. Lion dance, traditional food, need volunteers to kickstart planning. Talk to Carole and Hera.

**7:35 pm**

**Teacher Spotlight - Ms. Moshura, Assistant Principal**

- *Ms Moshura watched the construction of BSI building. Started as a teacher assistant at BSI. Wanted to build a school with like minded people.*
- *Vision: kids are equal, kids are heard.*
- *Ms Moshura then became a science teacher at BSI and later taught art.*
- *Foster a community of teachers that love to collaborate with each other and build community.*
- *Masters in science.*
- *Is a dreamer and optimist. Spread positivity.*
- *Have 3 children, love cooking and photography.*

**7:45 pm**

**Voting- New SLT and Exec Board Members!**

- Shuling Li, SLT
  - Kristina Puca, Treasury
  - Amended [bylaws](#) for parent involvement. Vote will occur in December meeting, please review proposed amendments first.
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- *Voting takes place.*
  - *Shuling (SLT) and Kristina (Treasury) are voted into the PTO team.*
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- *SLT meeting involves parents, Mr Havlik and Ms Moshura.*
  - *Planning for MS and 5th grade class trips.*
  - *Finding possibilities for lockers.*
  - *Stem lab needs an upgrade.*
  - *NYS class size law, not sure what impact it will have on the school.*

**7:50 pm**

**Parent Paid Virtual Debate Opportunity- American Debate League**

- *Potential parent paid debate opportunity*
- *Richard Connelly is debate coach from American Debate League. Started with BSI in March of 2016.*
- *Virtual class: 17 week program, 90 minutes classes each. Jan 6 - May 12, 2025. Wednesday or Thursday from 4:00 - 5:30pm.*
- *Cost for 17 weeks \$195. Includes 90 min class, in person tournaments, judge fee, entry fee, breakfast and lunch.*
- *March 15, April 5 and May 17 are tournament dates. From 8:00am to 5:00pm.*
- [rconnelly@americandebateleague.org](mailto:rconnelly@americandebateleague.org) / 646-915-2822

**8:00-8:15 pm**

**Q and A**

- How to monitor the chromebooks? - *We have Go Guardian to block most of the dangerous sites.*
- 8th grade dates for the overnight trip? - *In communication with the vendors about the dates. We don't have a date as of yet.*
- When is band starting for 4th grade? - *Ms Allison should have reached out and will start next week.*
- How would the debate program determine who will get in if there is more interest? - *Most likely a lottery if interest is high. Will send out an interest form to 4th and 5th graders.*

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**Next Gen Mtg: Thursday, December 19th, 7pm via zoom.**

**Contact:** If you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns, please let us know at: [execbd@bsipto.org](mailto:execbd@bsipto.org)