February PTO Meeting 2/7/2023 7pm in the BES Library

Review of the minutes from January. Approved! Family dance date changed to March 24th.

Family Dance in March will be 3/24 on a Friday 6:30-8pm. \$10 each. Raffle? 1 Adult and 1 child. 523 kids in the school. Gym holds 550 children. Food and activities are in the cafeteria. Email Tim Vasconcellos re: the dance attendance. Big and Small Ball. Explanation for the meaning of Big and Small ball (1 adult and 1 or multiple children or 1 adult per kid either way is fine) Jess will be the DJ. Balloon arch, streamers. Dance Committee (Kim Martin, Sharon Klardie, Katie Pelletier). Bake Sale? Family Photo?

Budget is finalized. Graduation, yearbook ad, scholarships, \$\$ for the prom bus. Budget needs to be approved. Numbers were sent to BES, BMS, and BHS.

Account Updates (Missy) \$120,000 in the money market account and \$42,000 in the checking ? spending \$ on an artist in residence for the school, an author. Lori is more than happy to help spend \$. Heroes and Sweethearts was done with help from the PTO. PTO has an artist and residence fund and a principals fund and then if they need more there can be a vote for that.

Bow Craft Fair totals- Raffle \$1300 profit, Door admission \$3000, Vendor fees \$13,663. Expenses \$226.68 + police detail. Total Profit \$17,736.32

Movie Night- Dominoes in Concord donated the pizza and Chunky's donated the popcorn. Glowsticks were donated. Made about \$900 but the operating budget was close to nothing. Leftover glowsticks, water and chips.

BHS Movie night in the auditorium next time? The only thing is that there is no food allowed in the auditorium. Need to book the auditorium well in advance like next Fall.

The Sledding Event is a no go due to the Winterfest.

Town Hill- Box with free sleds donated by the PTO. Need to get approved by the town. ? Eagle Scout project or BoyScout Project?

5th and 6th Social for Bow and Dunbarton April 7th 7-8:30.

Teacher Appreciation- Ashley Cooper, Kristin Burgess, Cara Trotte, Sara Winter, Rachel Ovaginian, Nikki Martin. There will be a sign up for duties to cover the teachers. Lori will do the coffee and breakfast cart again for the teachers. Gift Card Raffle again this year for the teachers. We will meet a few times as a committee and then ask for volunteers for that week. It is the week that we come back from April Vacation.

Lori brought up a Chocolate Valentine's Day Cart next week for Valentine's Day.

PTO does a scholarship for the High School for 3 students.

Clothing Bin is a PTO run thing and it gets weighed and recycled. Advertise on social media for people to donate to the bins because they get recycled not distributed to people.

PTO Facebook group, needs to be revamped so that we can post to the group page. Need to adjust the admin/moderator etc. Do we want an instagram account. Website? Kristin Burgess and Rachel Ovaginian are willing to work on this.

Melissa V- 8th Grade t-shirts with their signatures inside the year on the back of the t-shirt. Bianca will reach out to her directly. PTO pays for them for the students. Sharon is willing to help with this as her husband is starting a pop up t-shirt company and charitable giving is part of what they need to do. High Schoolers serve ice cream to the 8th Graders at the end of the year. Bianca wants to get a photographer at this event to take pictures of the families. High Schooler Caden Towle? Or the photographer from BINGO Night? Jen Boswer Dunbarton Special Ed?

8th Grade Semi-formal has been scheduled for 6/2- Jess is the DJ. 7-9pm at BHS.

Playground Fundraising (New Playground Spring 2024) April 19th BES Glow Run, emails to go out in March (aiming for \$30,000). Booster.com. Lori and Julia Pothen met with the company today. Every kid will participate. Sponsors from families etc. Corporate Donors? Reaching out to donors for the shirts (back) and BES logo on the front. Each grade level will have a turn in the gym to do the run for 45 minutes. Everyone does 35 laps. We donate for kids to do the run. Incentives for each grade level, Gift Card raffle for the family/Family sweepstakes. Picnic outside or a cookout if we get to 70%. Rewards for how much you raise are all around fitness.

Dunbarton PTO made \$79,000 at a Casino Night. Sharon was on the committee for a charter school that did very well at a casino night. Adult night for fundraising. Lori will check in with Melissa and Sharon.

Auction Night- also an idea for fundraising.

Kim Martin- \$50 check from Merrimack County Savings Bank donated for BINGO Night was deposited.