

Newburyport PTO General Meeting Minutes

Bresnahan School Cafeteria

3/21/2019

7:00pm

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by Co-President Solen Moriarty

Board Members Present:

Solen Moriarty, Co-President

Melissa Bouse, Vice President

Pam San Antonio, Treasurer

Shannon Cormier, Assistant Treasurer

Nicole De Peña, Secretary

Amy LeBlanc, Bresnahan PreK/K

Melissa Potter, Bresnahan PreK/K

Stacey MacMillan, Bresnahan 1-3

Joanna Fernandes, Cultural Co-Chair

Laura Bouchard, Bresnahan PreK/K Teacher Representative

Anna Enaire, Molin Teacher Representative

- I. Welcome (Solen Moriarty)
- II. Budget Overview (Pam San Antonio)
 - A. Boosterthon success
 - B. Raised \$57K from fundraising this year
 - C. Scholarships
 1. 8th grade trip
 - a. \$325 per student
 - b. How do they raise the funds
 - D. Bresnahan needs sleds
 1. Need new shed to store items
 2. Funding proposal needed
 3. Amy Sullivan will look into building requirements for new shed
 - E. PBIS

1. Molin will do an assembly to use remaining funds
2. Other schools have used their funds

F. 100 Day Celebration

G. Field trips/Buses

1. Kindergarten trip in May to Dover Children's Museum
2. 1st Grade had trip
3. Upcoming trips
 - a. Acton Discovery Traveling Museum
 - b. Dig It for Preschool

H. Budget Breakdown

1. We will be showing line items for Bresnahan events
2. We manage money for 8th grade dance and then PTO gets a check
3. Net Income is \$35, 945.12 for 2018-2019

III. Bresnahan Principal Update (Amy Sullivan)

A. Boosterthon

1. Great enthusiasm from kids
2. Staff Feedback
 - a. Videos for kindergarten
 1. Were a little scary for some kids
 2. Amy had Conversation with Boosterthon
 - b. Prizes
 - c. Communication to EL students and families
 - d. Teachers created a google doc for questions
 1. Is there a better time of year
 2. Duration of kickoff

B. MCAS

1. administered on chrome books
 - a. first year doing this
 - b. has required a lot of planning

C. ALICE

1. New way to make informed decisions
2. Training with Staff
3. Spreading kids out instead of keeping them huddled together
4. Creating Barricades inside the classroom
5. Evacuation if safe
6. Lockdown drill this week
7. Letter sent to parents
8. Will be having an evacuation drill as well

9. Working closely with Newburyport PD and School Resource officer Tierney

D. Upcoming Events

1. Parent Speaker Series
2. Budget hearing 4/1/19
3. MCAS
 - a. 4/9/19
 - b. 4/11/19
4. School Committee
5. April vacation
 - a. 4/12/19 is Early Release
 - b. 4/22/19 is Professional Day
6. Walk to School
7. Teacher Appreciation Lunch

IV. Bresnahan PreK/K Update (Amy LeBlanc)

A. 100 Day Celebration was great

V. Bresnahan Grades 1-2 Update (Stacey MacMillan)

- A. 3rd Grade Year Book
- B. 3rd Grade Celebration at Action Cove
- C. Teacher Appreciation
 1. 5/10/19
 2. Metzys

VI. Cultural Enrichment Update (Joanna Fernandes)

- A. 5/20/19 Cheryl Fay is coming to kick off STEM Fair
- B. 5/23/19 STEM Fair
- C. 7th Grade hasn't asked for money. May funnel money to Junk to Funk
- D. Molin has MOS
- E. Nock takes money and organizes themselves

VII. Other

- A. Teacher Appreciation Supply Lists
 1. Sign up genius to teachers
 2. Will give plenty of notice
- B. BOKS Program
 1. Have 2 parents who are certified
 3. 6 Week Program
- C. ASEP
 1. Planning for 2019-2020 Year
 2. Matt Valley and Mr. RM might be interested in running
 3. Need a Nurse onsite

D. PBIS (Laura Bouchard)

1. Looking for a Bresnahan PTO Representative
2. Planning field day
 - a. 6/7/2019
 - b. whole school

Meeting adjourned 7:42pm