

Friday, December 8, 2023

Bumpus Middle School

PTO Executive Board Meeting

Members in attendance: Marcie Morris, Katie Friedman, Josie Kurz, Adrian Bevis, Amy Stephens, Spring Rush, Carolyn Bunch, Heather Kirk, Hillary Wilkerson, Sunny Slone, Donna Burke, Shanthi Ravikumar, Eva Cottrell, Julie Dozier, Liz Conboy, Justin Hardy.

Meeting called to order by Katie Friedman at 8:48am.

Motion to approve November minutes by Josie Kurz, seconded by Carolyn Bunch. Motion passed by unanimous vote to approve.

President's Report - Katie Friedman

- No HPTC meeting this month.

Treasurer's Report - Julie Dozier

- Not much activity in November. Chick-fil-a and Magic Milkshake Spirit Night funds came in. Will be discussing the profitability of future spirit nights.
- The negatives balances from the end of October have been addressed except for the School Beautification and Faculty Meals line items.
- \$16,950 is needed to fund the budget for the remainder of the school year, leaving a balance of around \$25k, \$10k of which will be earmarked for the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.
- The need to increase the budgets for hospitality and faculty meals was mentioned due to the rising cost of food.
 - o A motion was made by Carolyn Bunch to fully fund the budget throughout the remainder of the school year which will address the current negative balance in School Beautification, seconded by Julie Dozier. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
 - o A motion was made by Josie Kurz to increase the budgets for Hospitality and Faculty Meals, both by \$500, seconded by Heather Kirk. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Principal's Report - Donna Burke

- End of term assessments are this week. ELA/Science on the 13th, Math/SS on the 14th. Iready score will help teachers prepare for next semester.

- When kids are out of class for approved reasons (choir trips, athletics, etc), they are required to make up their assignments and need to contact teachers about what they missed.
- Dr. Maddox funded two interventionists for each school for the second semester. It must be a retired teacher from a school system. Interventionists will make \$40/hour and will work 20 hours a week. Bumpus already hired one for 6th grade math and is looking for another that will focus on 7th and 8th.
- Biggest expense for the lighting on the field is not the pole itself but running the electricity to the poles. The new lights for the track will be in by January and we're hoping for new lights for football and softball fields next year.
- Ms. Burke continues to meet with city about a proposed sidewalk to run from the back of Bumpus to the fire station so that Lake Wilborn walkers will be safer.
- Shanthi is creating a fundraising calendar so that we can keep all the fundraisers straight and know who is raising money and when.
- Ms. Burke met with SGA about the possibility of overlapping the times of the school dances and using the gym, however we can't allow hard sole shoes on the gym floor so the kids would have to wear tennis shoes.
- We're sponsoring a Magic Moment student at the end of February.
- Teacher Appreciation week will be the first full week of May. Admin will cover lunch for the kids while teachers come down for their appreciation lunch.
- Signage for "We Are Bumpus" is more expensive than anticipated and we're still looking for acceptable quotes to do the work. Ms. Burke requested 12k to be moved to Special Projects to cover the school murals and art work for the We Are Bumpus theme.
 - A motion was made by Josie Kurz to move the 12k to special projects, seconded by Carolyn Bunch. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Fundraising Report - Liz Conboy

- We still have spirit shirts available. Heather will post on social media about them as stocking stuffer options. We will take them off of My School Fees on December 13th.
- Spirit Nights didn't do as well as expected - CFA brought in \$130 and Magic Milkshake brought in \$180. We discussed the decrease in our CFA funds being due to the new process CFA uses for spirit nights. There was discussion if it would be easier to let go of Spirit Nights if our income from it is low, but we decided to see how spring spirit nights go and revisit the conversation next year.

Hospitality - Adrian Bevis

- Sweet Shop will be next Wednesday, December 13th. We're hoping that most of it will be donated by parents. As of the date of this meeting, 9 out of 25 slots on the sign-up genius for the Sweet Shop was filled.

Events - Hillary Wilkerson

- Nothing to report

Volunteers - Justin Hardy

- Nothing to report

Communications Report - Heather Kirk

- We will make posts regarding the Stocking Stuffer spirit shirts as well as continue to push the Sweet Shop signup genius.

Faculty Report - Sunny Sloane Not Present

- Discussions over substitutes not allowing kids to use the restroom and giving a D-Log if they tried to use the restroom. There was also continued discussion regarding the 6th graders continuing to have assigned seats at lunch as well as group silent lunches.

Next meeting is January 12th.

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 am.