Baker PTA Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 am

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda - Motion by Sarah Cranganu, seconded by Kelly Meyers

Approval of April 2023 Meeting Minutes - Motion by Alyson Stockton, seconded by Sarah Cranganu

Treasurer's Report - Alyson Stockton

- Preliminary annual fiscal report 2022-2023
    - We doubled what we budgeted for this year for field trips, so that budget has been increased for next year.
    - We have yet to pay for 4th grade end of year activities and also the first grade field trip to the Byham Theater.
- Proposed budget for 2023-2024
    - $150 has been added to the budget for next year for Baker Gives Back.
    - The budget for 2023-2024 has been posted since the April meeting.
    - A motion was made by Dr. McClintock-Comeaux and seconded by Kelly Meyers to approve the budget for next school year.
- 2023-2024 membership dues will remain at $15 for family membership.
- Please get 2022-2023 receipts in to Alyson ASAP for reimbursement. The books close for the year on June 30th.

Teacher Representative - Dr. McClintock- Comeaux

- Mrs. Berrott is unavailable today. Everything is great, thank you!

Secretary's Report - Anne Scher

- Nothing to report

President's Report - Kristen McIntyre

- Proposed 2023-2024 PTA calendar was presented and has been posted on the PTA website since the April meeting. Dates for Spring Book Fair have been added and Baker's Got Talent date is set for April.
- The Bylaws need to be updated every 5 years; this was last done in 2018. The Bylaws updates were presented at the April meeting and have been posted to the PTA website for review and comment since then.
- Three changes have been made to the Bylaws.
    - Officer term changed to start on July 1st to align with the PTA fiscal year.

    - The executive board members will also include a teacher representative, as this is in alignment with our current practice.
    - The annual meeting will be held in May, as this is in alignment with our current practice.
- The Bylaws were approved after a motion by Kelly Meyers and seconded by Emily Hand.

Vice President's Report - Kelly Meyers

- Thank you to all of our volunteers! All of our committee chairs have been filled for next year. We will still need more volunteers to help with each committee, so stay tuned.

2nd Vice President's Report - Dr. McClintock-Comeaux

- STAR night times were switched this year from 7-9pm to 6-8pm. This seems to be more accommodating for most families. Will advocate for the same time for the open house in the fall.
- The 4th grade musical is awesome! Dr. McClintock-Comeaux encourages kids to be a part of the musical when they are in 4th grade. It is a good experience for all.
- We now have an official school sign when you enter the parking lot.
- Spring Into K happened on May 17th. Currently there are 81 kindergartners enrolled for next year.
- Mrs. Dillie and Mr. Fee are retiring at the end of this school year. Mr. Cremonese will be moving to the high school. Dr. McClintock-Comeaux has interviews lined up for a new PE teacher.
- The later start times for next year were approved. Elementary will start at 8:35 am with dismissal at 3:05 pm.
- An annual parent survey will be sent out soon for current K-3rd grade parents. This is an opportunity to let Dr. McClintock-Comeaux know how things went this year for your child, and to give any specific input for next year. Dr. McClintock-Comeaux is the only person who reads the survey, everything is confidential. Please no specific teacher requests.
- There may be a possible 4th grade exit survey.
- The entrance to the school will be upgraded over the summer. There will be a double buzz system added to all of the schools in the district.

Election and Installation of New Officers - Kristen McIntyre

- After a voice vote, the following officers were elected for the 2023-2024 school year:
    - Executive Vice President - Amy Baldasare
    - Executive Secretary - Emily Hand
- The nominations are now closed.

Committee Reports

- **School Supply Kits - Kelly Meyers**

    - Each Spring, Baker PTA coordinates a fundraiser where school supply kits may be ordered for the next school year. The supplies in each kit are approved by the Baker teachers.
    - This is completely optional, but is a convenient way to get school supply shopping done.
    - Supply kit pick-up date will be August 11th from 10am-12pm at the Baker Gym entrance. No ship-to-home option is available. Sale deadline will be June 25th.
- **Spirit Wear - Kelly Meyers for Katy Cain**
    - $326 was made during the spring sale. This sale is always smaller than the fall sale. Please reach out to Katy Cain if you would like to help with the fall sale!
- **3rd Grade Tile Wall - Natalie Jaskowski**
    - There was some confusion with kids' names on the artwork, and parents' names with payment. All artwork has been mailed. Will need to select a date for installment, hopefully sometime during the summer. Sarah Cranganu suggested taking a picture once installed and sending to parents.
- **4th Grade End of Year Activities - Sarah Cranganu**
    - 4th graders will receive a t-shirt, memory book and end of year party with the purchase of the 4th grade bundle. Students are encouraged to wear their shirts on June 6th for Boyce-Move-Up-Day.
    - If you want to volunteer to be in charge of 4th grade end of year activities for your student, get a team together because you will want to start early. It is fun but a lot of work!
- **Celebration Books - Sarah Cranganu**
    - 46 books were donated this year to our school library. Mrs. Connor does update the list frequently. If there is a book you would like to donate that you don't see on the list, please reach out to Mrs. Connor.
- **Field Day - Betsy Wilson**
    - We have a lot of volunteers signed up. Kindergarten will be on May 31st and grades 1-4 on June 2nd. Students will be given Ritas, with an allergy approved alternative. Please remember to put sunscreen on your kids, and no flip-flops. Volunteers will receive information soon.
- **Outreach, Baker Gives Back - Amy Baldasare, Katie Marsh**
    - This year was successful with a lot of student involvement. If you have an incoming 3rd or 4th grader, this is a unique opportunity to get involved and help the community. This group will meet Thursday mornings before school. Sign ups will go out the first full week of school.
- **Arts in USC- Kristen McIntyre for Bethany Salmen**
    - A formal invite will be sent out by the PTC. All artwork has been collected and will be put on display in the LGI of the high school on May 22nd.
- **Staff Appreciation - Kristen McIntyre for Bethany Salmen**
    - Special things were done for staff throughout Staff Appreciation eek including donuts, cookies, chick fil a and charcuterie table as well as a cake. We are still looking for a few more gift cards and will hand those out to staff once there is enough for everyone. Thank you!

Adjournment

Appendix A - Attendees

1. **Kristen McIntyre**
2. **Kelly Meyers**
3. **Sarah Cranganu**
4. **Dr. McClintock-Comeaux**
5. **Alyson Stockton**
6. **Anne Scher**
7. **Christian Pelusi**
8. **Emily Hand**
9. **Emily Nicholson**
10. **Gina Pelusi**
11. **Kara Krebs**
12. **Natalie Jaskowski**
13. **Pamela Scureman**
14. **Betsy Wilson**
15. **Katie Marsh**
16. **Amy Baldasare**