Baker PTA Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2022

Meeting called to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Approval of April 2022 Meeting Minutes

Teacher Exec Board Member's Report - Mrs. Covelli

- The staff appreciated staff appreciation week so much! The kids and staff are really enjoying the field trips that have been happening. Thank you so much!

Boyce Middle School Welcome and Introduction

- **Dr. Dan O'Rourke, Boyce MS Principal**

  On June 2nd the 4th graders will be coming over to Boyce for move-up day. The band will be there to welcome them and they will get to tour the building. There will also be a get to know Boyce game. On June 6th at 7 pm, there will be a move up night for parents in the Boyce theater. Mrs. Antonio has also had the opportunity to go to the 4th grade classrooms to speak with them about moving onto Boyce in the fall.

- **Mrs. Amy Antonio, Boyce MS Counselor**

  At Boyce the students are put together into teams. There is a mix of kids from all of the schools. There are 4 teams for each grade, and each team has 3.5 teachers (homeroom teachers). The students spend quite a bit of their time with that homeroom teacher. The students will have lunch, specials and recess with their whole team. They will spend ELA, Science, Social Studies and Math with their homeroom. There is a survey that has gone out for parents to give input about their child's upcoming school year. Mrs. Rose as well as the students' current teachers will also give input to Mrs. Antonio about placement for next year. 5th grade is a wonderful opportunity for each child to make some new friends. It will be okay if they are not on the same team as his/her best friend.

  There have been questions regarding IB/non-IB placement. There is not a significant difference at this point if your child is placed on an IB team or not. The same curriculum is taught. Some of the students are on an IB team and they don't even realize it.

Students are asked to complete 15 hours of community service in 5th grade and 30 hours once they are in 6th grade if they are in the IB program.
If you have already filled out the survey for the upcoming school year, and you realize you need to add more information to it, please email it to Mrs. Antonio.
aantonio@uscsd.k12.pa.us

- **Erica Baldasare and Pam Scureman, Boyce MS PTO**

  There are a number of committees that need helpers for the incoming school year. If you would like to get involved or have questions, please reach out to Erica or Pam for more information. There is even a Once in a Blue Moon committee that you can be a part of if you would like to sign up to help every once in a while. The PTO is more teacher led at Boyce. Coming up there will be Author's Day, Field Day and a 6th grade graduation. In 6th grade there is a field trip to Deer Valley. This was modified this year due to COVID, but they were still able to participate. In August there will be a welcome day for students so that they can walk through the building and find their homeroom.

  In particular they will be needing chairs for the following committees: Arts in USC (5th grade), Book Fair (in the fall, 5th grade), Orchestra (5th grade), Science Extravaganza (5th grade) and the Spelling Bee (5th and 6th grade).

Treasurer's Report - Tara Simmons

- Approval of the 2022-2023 budget. This is posted on the PTA website

Correspondence - Anne Scher

- Nothing to report

President's Report - Jackie Barefoot for Sarah Cranganu

- Community night is tomorrow from 6-8 pm. Please drop off cakes in the morning from 8:30-9:30.

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

- Field trips have been happening. As a reminder, different places that we visit have different rules regarding COVID protocols, i.e. masks. We will always follow the rules wherever we are going and will notify parents ahead of time if masks will be required.
- Picture day was yesterday, and they were able to be taken outside. The pictures will be posted to Wayne's World of Photography's website. wayesworldofphotography.com You will need your child's student ID to look at the pictures. Their ID can be found on Focus.

- The parent input email has gone out and will be due by June 3rd. If you choose to fill this out, please be as honest as possible. Dr. McClintock-Comeaux is the only person who will see the information.
- May 26th will be Spring into K! It is a move up day for kindergarteners. They will have the opportunity to check out the first grade classrooms. Incoming kindergarteners will visit the kindergarten classrooms as well. There will also be a meeting for new kindergarten families over the summer.
- The last day of school, June 9th, is half day and early dismissal at 11:30. This includes afternoon kindergarten.

New Business - Jackie Barefoot

- Installation of new officers
  President - Kristen McIntyre
  Vice President - Kelly Meyers
  Treasurer - Alyson Stockton

Committee Reports/Upcoming Events

- Baker Community Night - Amy Baldasare
  We are still taking cake walk donations. Bring your tailgating gear, but no alcohol is allowed. Still need help with clean-up.

- Field Day - Betsy Wilson
  We only need more volunteers for the Kindergarten afternoon group. All volunteers need to have their clearances on file.

- Staff Appreciation - Bethany Salmen
  Staff appreciation week went really well. The last thing for this school year is that we will be collecting gift cards, and then drawing names and handing them out to staff during the last week of school.

- Committee Chair Recruitment - Jackie Barefoot
  We have a ton of openings. Please reach out if you have questions and are interested in helping!!

- Spirit wear
  Should be in anytime. Orders will be sent home with students. If you have any questions please reach out to Katy Cain.

Adjournment

Appendix A - Attendees

1. Dr. McClintock-Comeaux
2. Dr. O'Rourke
3. Mrs. Antonio
4. Mrs. Covelli
5. Sarah Cranganu
6. Jackie Barefoot
7. Kristen McIntyre
8. Tara Simmons
9. Betsy Wilson
10. Anne Scher
11. Erica Baldasare
12. Kara Krebs
13. Kelly Meyers
14. Kristen Turner
15. Pam Scureman
16. Alyson Stockton
17. Amanda Palermo
18. Rebecca Wilson
19. Bethany Salmen
20. Amy Baldasare