



## Ballwin Elementary PSO (Parent School Organization)

400 Jefferson, Ballwin, MO 63021

**Ballwin Elementary School**

**Meeting Date:** 8/25/25

**Meeting Location:** Library

### Agenda/Meeting Notes

- Welcome & Introductions
  - In attendance: Emily Manninger, Heather Connell, Mandy Pelhank, Ashley Force, Katie Jess, Emily Ortyl, Allyson Ryan, Jordan Renner, Leah Owczarczak, Misty Chua, Mercima Omeraric, Leah Chartrand, Shelby Bergin, Sarah Torretta-Trout, Meg Acelar, Jackie Williams, Seth Bueltmann, Amanda Kiesel, Nicole Lester, Abby Mucklow, Stephanie Vogel, Mary Beth Kloeppel, Roni Eason, Jen Roskowske
- Principal's Report
  - If you haven't, join the Facebook group. Five day week to start is rough, but we made it. Enrollment is down about 30 students from last year. Our core values are: Safe, respectful, peaceful, and kind. Newsletters will go out on Fridays. We got a new lobby floor, door pinpads to replace keys, more security cameras, and a concrete walking path over the summer from Rockwood. Rockwood should install the reading hammocks purchased by PSO soon. The grounds crew was down about 30% this summer so they are behind. Rockwood is also covering the 3rd grade MO heritage field trip this year. Girls on the run registration is out now, so please sign up as it does fill up.
- Treasurer's Report
  - Katie went over the budget that was handed out and is available on the website. All committee chairs with a budget were sent an email with that info. All requests for payment will be an electronic form to get away from paper. Mandy is working with Rockwood next week to get access for Katie and Derek to be able to upload on their own.
- Family Events

- Movie Night - September 5th- possibly looking at Dogman. Emily will send info to Dr Ortyl to have the site unlocked at least 24 hours before the event. The movie license (Swank) is in hand and will be sent to Rockwood.
- Spirit Wear
  - Store closes tonight and will take 2-3 weeks. Items will be sent home with students unless parents emailed Meg to set up a porch pick up. We do not know if we will do a winter sale again this year. It will depend on sales from this time and if it is needed.
- Teacher Wish List
  - Coming out soon! Explained items that have been purchased recently and that it is usually about \$10K.
- FEATS
  - Provided brownies and cookies to staff for the first day of school. The next event is conference meals in October.
- EEA
  - Leah is just starting this role and is making sure events are welcoming to everyone.
- BWYB
  - Kindergarten - October 1. BWYB would like additional help for next year. Jen and Katie would like to pass it on.
- Restaurant Nights
  - Ballwin Sno Cone - Update . Well attended!
  - Flyers went home in folders
  - September 17th: Panera. They will supply the flyers, so those will go home once they are sent.
  - A coffee event like we did last year for national education week is in the works again. It was well received and worked great. Teachers were given a gift card for the amount of the drink they wanted. There was a request for a note to be added from whoever bought the coffee.
- Teacher start ups have received about 10 requests so far. Checks are ready tonight for those.
- We talked about the spring fundraiser and asked for help.

## Ballwin PSO Board and Committee Members

Current PSO Board	2025-2026
Co- Presidents	Emily Manninger
Vice President	Heather Connell
Co - Secretaries	Ashley Force & Mandy Pelhank
Treasurer	Katie & Derek Jess
<b>PSO Committees</b>	
Spirit Wear	Meg Acelar
Restaurant Nights	Sarah Torretta Trout
Grade Level Shirts	Abby Mucklow
Boosterthon	Ashley Force, Heather Connell
Trunk or Treat	Jordan Renner, Melissa Melnick
Winterfest	Emily Manninger, Mandy Pelhank, Jordan Renner
Veterans Day	Ashley Force, Abby Mucklow
Trivia Night	<b>Spring Fundraiser - Need 2 Volunteers</b>
FEATS Families Enthusiastically Appreciating Teachers and Staff	Julie Millburg, Katie Jess, Nicole Lester
Carnival	Ashley Force, Heather Connell, Mandy Pelhank
EEA Educational Equity & Access	Leah Owczarczak
Family Events	Jen Roskowske, Emily Manninger, Jackie Williams
BWYB Breakfast With Your Bear	Jen Roskowske, Katie Soetart, Abby Mucklow
School Kits	Kristen Bracken
Class Parties	Ashley Force, Abby Mucklow, Heather Connell
Communications	Mandy Pelhank

**We would love to have more help and see new faces as well as old ones. If you are looking to get more involved in our amazing school, please reach out at [BallwinPSO@gmail.com](mailto:BallwinPSO@gmail.com)**

