

BVEC PTA Agenda for November 6, 2023

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:45PM.

Introductions and attendance

Sarah, Darcie, Kendall, Megan, and Ally are in attendance.

Approve October meeting minutes

Darcie moved to approve, Ally seconded. All in favor.

Principal: Kendall Burr

- Hilltop update: Hired 1.5 paras! Full-time person starting in two weeks and a morning only person starting next week! Trunk or Treat was a big success- thank you to all volunteers, staff, and families! Extra candy was donated to Treats for Troops, Hilltop teachers, and the Ronald McDonald House. Teal bucket treats were saved for next year! November 1st was a professional learning day which worked out well the day after Halloween- teachers talked about IEP processes, literacy curriculum, holiday inclusion, and understanding cultural/covid influences on parents and families.

Parents as Teachers:

- PAT update: Michelle was not present at the meeting.

President: Megan Dumas

- Restaurant Night:
 - Chik-fil-a requires a \$500 purchase minimum with only a 15% donation. They provide signs for the pick up line. Thinking we will try it out in January.
 - Staff could order food and pay on their own, and Megan/Darcie offered to pick up their orders at lunch time! We will check on if online orders will qualify.
 - Megan will find out if people need a special flyer or code to give the PTA credit.
- Preschool Digital Fair letter and vendor list is in draft. Goal to finalize during this meeting

- Darcie will send Megan the updated prices
- Megan will finish editing the letter
- Darcie looked at EventBrite and will touch base with Megan on how payments will work.
- Kendall mentioned Amy Mertz would be happy to help with this process as well.
- Received an offer to put on a 30 minute kids yoga class for \$50.
 - All board members thought it was a great idea! We will try to plan this in January! Yoga could be the “outing” for the month.
 - Megan will find out the number of kids that can be allowed in each class!
 - Perhaps look at Friday, January 12th

VP of Preschool: Allie Comley

- Trunk or Treat was a huge success! We had a great turn out. There was plenty of candy and teal gifts. Extra teal gifts and games have been put in the PTA closet for next year. The remaining candy went to our teachers, Treats for Troops, and Ronald McDonald House.
- Notes for next year: position the River neighborhood trunks closer to Prairie Neighborhood.

Treasurer’s Report: Darcie Giles

- Membership: 137 (\$3400) up by 20 members same time last year, Donations: \$265
 - We will be over budget on state membership fees. \$4.75/member
- Budgeted \$1800 for playgroups/story time, As it stands only have scheduled \$1500 *if we do the \$150 yoga in January*
 - Other ideas? Ms. Ray= music therapist at Hilltop? Anna McCracken- former music therapist at Hilltop- Kendall will get her contact info
 - Make a decision in December about spring plans
 - February and March might be good months for this idea!
- Expenses
 - Trunk or treat- we did not spend any PTA \$
 - Staff T-shirts?-Kendall will check on this and get back to us
- Thoughts on doing Classroom Enrichment (gift cards for teachers?) in Dec?
 - Yes- move forward with distributing those in December- last day before break (½ day for staff on December 21st- no students)
 - Decided to give out cash in a nice holiday card (buy a bulk package)
 - Megan will get the cards

- Make a plan to include paras in the plan- Kendall will send Darcie a list of staff members to give \$\$ to
- Stonelion Puppet Theater is coming to Hilltop December 6th!
 - Need communications sent out
 - Ally will create a graphic to send out this week- Darcie will send a graphic
 - Kendall will make "tickets" and send via seesaw
- Asking members form - What to put on it
 - Decided not to do it but if someone offers a good idea they can feel free to share it!
- Files - Can we get all of our files together and shared to everyone in google drive?
 - Megan and Darcie will try to organize the Google Drive
 - Standing Rules - Need final amended document for memberhub
 - Megan will find the document and send to Darcie

VP of PAT: Sarah Lilly

- October Playgroup attendance 10/6 had 10/14 and 10/20 had 8/14 in attendance.
- October outing to Powell Pumpkin patch with 9 families in attendance
- We did back to back playgroup sessions on Nov. 3rd. Both filled up quickly and the first session had full attendance.
- Outing to Splash with Me this Friday. Story time with Mr. Bradley Nov. 17th.
- Discuss ways to address no shows at playgroup in an effort to keep spots open for families who will attend.
 - Could we open up extra slots for more families to attend?
 - Could we ask parent educators to stay for extra sessions and offer more than 1 on a Friday?
 - Starting on Dec 1- Sarah will tell the waitlist families that they can come (due to a lot of no-shows happening in the past)
 - Sarah will ask the parent educator for Dec 1 if she can stay for two groups instead of one?
 - December outing on December 15- Megan will check with yoga lady or we will consider Rainbow of the Heartland or BV Rec open gym

Secretary: Ally Heiserman

- Communications - Ally Heiserman
 - October newsletter and minutes added to website
 - November newsletter went out
 - FB posts made to promote Trunk or Treat

- Ally will send the December newsletter on Monday, Nov 27
- Ally will send January newsletter on Monday, January 1

Next Meeting: Monday, December 4th, 6:30 p.m.