



## PTG E-board Meeting December 11th, 2019 at McKelvie

*BOARD INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME: Attendees: Sue Jennato (Co-President), Sonya Van Der Meer (Co-President), Sarah Lang (Secretary), Mindy Bator (Treasurer), Phil Schappler (Administration Liaison), Jen Asdot (Administrative Liaison), Chelsea Donahue (RAL Liaison and VP Publicity), Mike Fournier (Superintendent), Anne Mikol (BHS Liaison), Tracy Healey (BHS Liaison), Kelly O'Donnell (PWS Liaison), Kim Beekman (VP of Fundraising), Lauren Martin (RBS Liaison), Marc Murai (Memorial Liaison), Heather Noonan (McKelvie Liaison)*

*Absent Members: Pamm Hughs (McKelvie Liaison), Kenn Archibald (Memorial Liaison), Jay Nash (School Board Liaison), Emily Sheff (PWS Liaison)*

SCHOOL BOARD UPDATE - Jay Nash(Absent)

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE – Mike Fournier

The budget has been established. Some of the big ticket items will include a preschool coordinator and a social worker. The school board has decided to break out some of the important budget items into their own warrants. This will allow voters more choices at the polls. A couple of warrants will be: 1. A sprinkler system for some of the schools (per the request of the firechief). 2. An athletic warrant that supports redoing the turf, etc. The school board has created a slide of the budget and there will be a video available on BCTV that explains the budget as well.

APPROVE NOVEMBER MINUTES- Approved once Marc Murai's name is placed as absent.

SKI, SKATE AND MORE: Successful scanning of consignor items at checkout. Lost Sport Thoma and Pro Lens but gained 2 new vendors. Some of the profit from this year's sales will go back into the equipment that is used for the fundraiser. This will insure the fundraiser will run smoothly from year to year.

### FUNDRAISER UPDATES:

SUPPORT DRIVE (Budget \$7,500) Actual to date ~\$9480 as of 12/3; total is net after envelop costs, \$2500 from 2 families. This number can still change as families can donate all school year.

- Envelopes sent home K-6 only this year

MEADOW FARMS FUNDRAISER (Budget \$10,500) Estimated Actual \$10,179

- Results: Total sales \$25,133
- Bonus prize offered for selling 5+ items...145 Inside Scoop coupons earned (funded by Meadow Farms)
- One Day 70% VIP sale 12/5 offered for staff, volunteers, friends and family

GIFT CARDS (Budget \$2,000) Actual Profit \$TBD

- 12 locals and 10 best selling nationals (92 line items last year)  
This year the PTG decided to offer less national gift card choices and more local businesses. The total profit is down, however the amount of time and labor this fundraiser required dropped significantly. The total sales are TBD as this fundraiser just finished and is still being tallied. Round 2 was not as strong as round one and weather/vacations could have been a factor in this.

SKI, SKATE AND MORE SALE (Budget \$14,000) Estimated profit \$TBD

- Equipment drop off Nov 22, 5-8pm. Sale Nov 23, 9-2pm (Discussed above)

COLOR BLAST (Budget \$25,000)

- Sunday, May 31st 2020
- Sponsor Update :After checking with Derry Medical the PTG will pursue 2 “presenting” sponsors. Registration will open Friday March 13th.

### **EVENT UPDATES:**

COFFEE and CONVERSATION WITH SUPERINTENDENT - Tuesday, Dec 10, 6:30pm – 7:30pm @ SAU Building

Another date was: Coffee on 1/22 at 9:30am. A sign up genius will go out. Hopefully these conversations will have an increase in attendance as people have questions about the budget, and graduation.

PRINCIPAL WINTER READING NIGHT-Thursday, January 23rd: This is coming up after the holiday break. Send out reminders to the principals.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

QUARTERLY COMMUNITY PTG MEETINGS: The PTG discussed if it would make sense to host quarterly PTG meetings open to the community to review what PTG has been up to and what’s planned. However after much conversation the board has decided that this is not necessary at this time. The PTG provides many ways for the community to get information about what is going on (ie: PTG spot in Principal Notes, monthly newsletter and the PTG website).

Discussed a September kick off meeting, presence at parent info nights and Open Houses, increase social media, FB Live events, use of electronic sign etc. as alternative/additional ways to share PTG info with community.

IT’S A GAS PROGRAM UPDATE: Ken was absent for the update. Will update the PTG at next meeting.

DISTRICT ART SHOW UPDATE: Tracey Healeys daughter will be pursuing this as her senior project.

### **PUBLICITY REPORT**

- BCTV “All Things PTG” show : This was posted on the BCTV website and social media. This is an excellent way for new families to see how the PTG works and why.

### **TREASURER REPORT**

- ORK/AIR Update October: Memory Path and McK field trip funded; November: Project Nature at RBS; Dec: Holocaust survivor at BHS.
- ORK/AIR staff quarterly newsletter created to share what’s been happening. This could help other schools come up with ideas and also share new ideas with others.

- The PTG has a new CPA.

SURPLUS PLAN UPDATE: Tech is finalizing Quotes for projectors/audio equipment at all 6 schools. Total cost for all schools will be greater than \$30K, Holly Doe will look to prioritize. We will present donation memo to School Board on 12/16

COMMUNITY SPEAKERS Possibly: Michael Thompsen-early Mar, App workshop-Apr/May. Rachel Simmons, Diversity speaker-possible for Fall

- Terri Hamilton-Mindfulness, January 14th at McKelvie (K-6 parents)

HANNAFORD HELPS Reusable Bag Program: Reminder, PTG will receive a \$1.00 for every community bag sold at Hannaford on Jenkins Road during December

OPEN ROLES:

- District Support for 20/21

LIAISON REPORTS:

PWS:

Nov – Each classroom was assigned another class and did acts of kindness for them, such as written notes, pictures, etc.

12/4-12/11 – 4<sup>th</sup> grade is holding a food drive to benefit the NH Food Bank. School Lunch plus collections are also starting this month for the Bedford Food Pantry

12/6 – 4<sup>th</sup> grade student experienced a simulation of immigrating to the United States in 1900 through Ellis Island.

12/13 – Coffee Cart scheduled

Mrs Daley has started to put out short videos to share with families on topics of interests. Last month was a video featuring the attendance policy. Next up may end up being about kindness and future topics may cover anxiety, tech use, rechargers, etc.

Family Fun Night is in the early planning for event in Feb

BHS:

Discussed request for PTG funds for artwork matting. Mr. Jozokos will follow up with Anne Lederhos re request and to find out how many are needed and when.

Anne shared the Phone-free Fridays idea. BHS tried a “Be Present Friday” during a Friday advisory in November. The goal was to have 90% of students to be tech free for the 20 min. advisory. About 87% participated. Bob gave advisors the choice of requesting or requiring that students be tech-free.

ORK funds

BHS will have its’ first Computer Science Week (12/9-12/13). This will be an annual event, similar to World Language Week. There will be a panel session on Friday, 12/13. Panel members will receive \$100 each for their time.

BHS is trying to grow the CS program and build excitement about the field. Students in CS classes will develop lesson plans and visit other classes unrelated to CS, to create interest on a peer level.

Up next:

Cookie Caper 12/18/19

Next Liaison meeting Thursday, 1/2/20

RBS:

Our student advisory board collected 582 food items for the Bedford Food Pantry. Next we will be collecting for Toys for Tots. We had a wonderful day in fourth grade with the simulation of Ellis Island. The lovely parents served pies to the teachers before Thanksgiving break and are planning on doing a coffee/cookie cart on the Friday before Christmas break.

RAL:

Winter band and chorus concert tonight 7:00.

Ongoing yearbook cover contest

Best buddies program has kicked off. Pairs up kids from special education and general education classes. Meets during WIN period.

MCK:

- October's Move -A-Thon at MCK raised a whopping \$37,000! That is incredible efforts by the students, families and community members that contributed to this years Move-A-Thon!. The new addition of having an online option for donations worked out extremely well and will continue to be offered again next year.

- McKelvie's Arctic Adventure Book Fair that was held in November was another successful school wide event. Over the course of 3 days hundreds of students, staff and families came through to shop. In addition to getting many new books in the hands of students, new titles were added to the Library!

- McKelvie's Winter concert featuring the select chorus, chorus and 5&6th grade bands was held in December. It was a wonderful night celebrating the music program.

- The BHS Leadership Class is offering a Leadership Fair in December. During recess, 5 & 6th grade students will have the ability to sign up and take part in games, and other various activities.

MEM: Not Submitted

#### UPCOMING TOPICS

- Senior/Grandparents Day
- Staff Appreciation May 11-15th, initial discussion
- Board meeting schedule for next year...2nd Wed of the month...discuss at future mtg

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

##### **December:**

Thu Dec 19 PTG Second Gift Card Delivery to Families (2nd order)

##### **January:**

Wed Jan 15 9:00am – 11:00am PTG E-board Meeting (@ MCK)

Mon Jan 20 No School

Wed Jan 22 9:30-10:30am Coffee with Superintendent (@ Town Library)

Thu Jan 23 4:30pm & 6:30pm PTG Principal Winter Reading Night (PWRN)

Thu Jan 30 SNOW DATE for PWRN

##### **February:**

Tue Feb 11 No School

Wed Feb 19 9:00am – 11:00am PTG E-board Meeting (@ Mck)  
Mon Feb 24-Fri Feb 28 No School-February Break

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