



PTG E-board Meeting January 12, 2022 via Zoom

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Co-President -Sonya van der Meer, Amy Dion; Secretary-Sue Jennato; Treasurer-Kelly O'Donnell; VP Publicity-Tejal Saraiya; VP Fundraising-Ashley Febvay

BHS - Lurgio-Shailagh Klicker
MIS - Amy Gagnon PWS - Emily Sheff
Memorial - Jenny Landwehr RBS - Becca Durrell
Board/Admin - Ed Joyce, Cheryl Daley School Board Liaison - Bill Foote
Superintendent - Mike Fournier

Absent:

BHS - Anne Mikol, Sue Russell MIS - Candice Benson
PWS - Meg Duhaime Memorial - Hailey Tonas

SCHOOL BOARD UPDATE - Bill Foote

Budget has been finalized
Sprinkler warrant - several schools are out of compliance
HVAC warrant - for system upgrades at several schools
3 year teacher contract - based on creating a competitive pay scale

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE – Mike Fournier

Test and Stay program - Not a traditional “test and stay” program. Testing symptomatic kids at school with parental consent. Working with outside vendor to accomplish this. This is designed to test kids that become symptomatic while at school. Parents should not be sending sick kids to school. Nurses will determine the best course of action depending on test results and symptoms. Targeted to start week of 1/24

Help Desk-open position at each school designed to act as a resource for students out due to isolation or quarantine.

PRINCIPALS UPDATE - Cheryl Daley, Ed Joyce

Cheryl-Principal Winter Reading Night will be filmed on Jan 20th and air on BCTV on Jan 26th. Winnie the Pooh theme.
Students have been great with mask wearing
Ed-RAL is in outbreak status. Adjusting lunches to provide additional space. Custodial shortages is an issue at RAL. Staff and Admin continue to push through the situation and focus on the kids. PTG presence has been felt at the schools and is appreciated.

APPROVE DECEMBER MINUTES-Approved by Board as written

FUNDRAISERS

SUPPORT DRIVE (Budget \$9,000) - still receiving some ongoing donations

GIFT CARDS (Budget \$3,000) - exceeded budget. Strong sales for local businesses. One delivery date was successful

SCHOLASTIC SPRING BOOK FAIR (Budget \$11,000)

- Dates: Fri., April 1 (set-up), book fair: April 4 - 8

Jenny L. has taken on the District Book Fair coordinator role. All 4 schools have confirmed dates for the spring fair of April 4-8.

COLOR BLAST FUN RUN (Budget \$24,000; May 22)

- Early bib pick-up

Initial planning has started. Board will likely be tapped into for help with reaching out sponsors and getting the word out about the event and helping day of. More details to come.

EVENTS/PROGRAMS:

PRINCIPAL WINTER READING NIGHT - Winnie the Pooh theme. 6 schools filming on Jan 20th and will air on BCTV on Wednesday January 26th at 6:30pm.

COMMUNITY SPEAKERS

Discussed Lynn Lions coming in late April. Concern over community presentation due to possible number of attendees (based on total cost) and inability to film/broadcast event. Discussed option for student only event for grades 7-12. Board felt that would have a better reach and that students in those grades would definitely benefit from Lynn's message. Cost would be covered by grant and PTG community event funds. Utilizing ORK funds from schools is also an option to offset the cost allowing for the PTG to possibly be able to offer a different community event for parents/families. Ed will follow up with Bob and Lisa J at BHS to further discuss student only option.

GRANDPARENT/SENIOR DAY

- Liaisons should reach out to confirm Coordinator and team set for the event
- Dates, format

Liaison asked to reach out to their GD day coordinators and school principals to get a feel for if/how this event can take place this year. RAL is typically in March in conjunction with musical and other schools are in May. Ed mentioned that RAL is planning a spring production but is not sure how Senior Day will play into that or happen later in the year. Format is definitely fluid at this point

OTHER BUSINESS:

TREASURER UPDATE

Updated P&L share with board members
ORK/AIR budgets discussed
Be sure to submit for reimbursement

MARKETING UPDATE

Will be focusing on Color Blast

LIAISON REPORTS - ORK/AIR Updates – Send to Sue by Friday for inclusion in meeting minutes.

Memorial Liaison Notes -

- We had a food drive record this year! Our Stuff the Turkey drive was a great success!
- The 4th grade concert they were planning will probably be postponed.
- Phil would like to try to do the Spring Fling, but push it out till around May so that some of this could take place outside.
- We were planning on AIR money to go to an author this year, but Ms. Garcia the librarian thought it best to push this out a year, so we are going to think about other ways to use this money.

PWS Liaison Update

Things are going well, focus for January staff meeting was self care in light of everything as well as the anniversary of 4th grade teacher, Tim Doherty's passing. Chorus is holding their Winter concert this week. Otherwise, all of our typically indoor events in February and March we are pushing out to the Spring to be able to make the event an indoor/ outdoor event so that all who want to participate feel comfortable doing so. Inventive Thinking unit for 3rd grade is starting up. Zach Umbervich is going back this year to kick off unit the first week of February- using ORK funding. Invention convention will be open to 4th graders this year, as is typically done. Currently starting the hiring process for a support person to help navigate any issues that arise for students in quarantine and remote.

RBS Liaison Update:

Spirit Days have been scheduled

- 1/28: Favorite Holiday
- 2/3: Favorite Character
- 2/14: Valentine's Day
- 2/18: Retro Day
- 2/25: RBS Spirit Day

Principal's council has been put on hold due to Covid

As of now we are hopeful to have spring events

Girls Choice dance was originally canceled but we are looking to revisit that in the spring as well

McKelvie Updates:

They are recording our chorus and band performances this week to be released next week for parents to see all the hard work!

Also, we are maximizing extra spaces within the building to add additional tables for lunch to space out the kids better. We are hopeful to have that ready to go Friday.

Those are really the two biggest things we have going on. The only other thing is that quarter three intramural sign ups went live last Wednesday!

RAL Principal/Liaison Meeting January 6, 2022

*Over the break, 1 cluster was identified. Masking for all connected students was in place until 1/7/22.

*Heat in the building was interrupted on 1/3/22. It was addressed and rectified as quickly as possible. Function was back to normal for the start of school day 1/4/22.

*Before break, 7th graders celebrated within their pods. All 8th graders participated in an annual Solstice Event which is a mix of activities/stations. Extra staff participated to keep the groups small, and everyone masked up.

*Meteorologis, Kevin Skarupa, gave a virtual presentation to the 8th graders.

*Skate event was canceled due to low sign ups. We'll possibly try again in the future. There will not be a dance scheduled. However, there is a tubing event at McIntyre in the works.

*ORK/AIR: continuing to pursue opportunities with a muralist and 1-2 authors for later this school year.

*PTG is putting on a popcorn bar for staff on Friday, 1/14/22. Donation sign ups have been strong. Thank you to all the volunteers!

Minutes- BHS Liaison meeting with Bob Jozokos

Date: Fri Jan 21st, 2:00pm

Attendees: Bob Jozokos, Sue Russell, Anne Mikol

Absent: Sierra Dolce

ORK and AIR - Bob was not sure if anything had been finalized about sharing with PTG to bring in Lynn Lyons.

Talked about advisory carts, since PTG does not have a budget item to fund this we have to come up with some other ways to get the items needed. We had an anonymous donor who gave some of the needed items and the rest we have created a sign up genius that will go out this weekend. We were just trying to confirm with the librarian that the list was still the same since she had made her initial request a couple months ago.

Conferences are coming up soon and we will organize donations for dinner for the teachers. They are having one day that will be all on zoom and one day of in person conferences. We will provide our dinner on Thursday Feb 10, setup by 3:30. We reviewed the items from our last conference dinner and were told that salad and vegetarian options are very popular, as well as the desserts! Also turkey is the most popular of the meats so we will adjust our sign up slightly to have more of the popular items.

Charlie Zink donation - we told Bob we had passed along the information so that PTG can donate to the charitable cause that his family is setting up in his memory.

Parking Raffle - Bob confirmed that we will have 2 spots again this year to raffle off. We told him we hope to do online and some in person sales.

Graduation seats - told him we would find out if we were still doing this but thought we were probably not.

Brownie Surprise - set the date for 4/20/22 second block. This the day before intersession begins.

We set our next meeting as TBD

UPCOMING TOPICS

- Staff Appreciation Week: May 9-13th, initial discussion

Liaison asked to start thinking about the plans for this event. Please remind schools that National Staff Appreciation week is the week of May 2nd but PTG agreed to host in Bedford the week of 5/9 due to April break week.

- Board positions for next year...3-year term limits, open roles (board, district, school)

Reminder about 3 year term limit on board roles. Liaisons asked to start thinking about coordinator positions in their schools and who may or may not be returning. Amy/Sonya will focus on district level roles.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 2022:

Wed Jan 12	9:00am – 11:00am	PTG E-board Meeting at SAU
Fri Jan 14	No School	
Mon Jan 17	No School	
TBD (maybe Jan 27)	Principal Winter Reading Night (BCTV)	

February 2022:

Wed Feb 9	9:00am – 11:00am	PTG E-board Meeting at SAU
Mon Feb 28 – Fri Mar 4	No School	

March 2022:

Tues Mar 8	No school	
Wed Mar 16	9:00am – 11:00am	PTG E-board Meeting at SAU

APPROVED AS WRITTEN BY BOARD 2/9/22