

# PTG E-board Meeting November 8, 2023 - Minutes FINAL

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Attendance: Co-President - Kelli Darling, Maria Tomolonis; Secretary - Sue Jennato; Treasurer - Kelly O'Donnell; VP Fundraising - Lena Griggs; VP Publicity - Tejal Saraiya BHS - Sonya van der Meer MEM - Christina Cuzzi , Allison Gerstrung PWS - Arasely Robinson Board/Admin - Molly McCarthy, Bob Jozokos Superintendent - Mike Fournier (plus guest: intern Louise White)

Absent:

MIS - Amy Dion RBS - Becca Durrell School Board Liaison - Kara LaMarche

#### SCHOOL BOARD UPDATE - Kara Lamarche (Sue Jennato)

- RAINN (Rape, Assault, Incest National Network) presented to the board on 10/23 in relation to District Goals and YRBS results regarding sexual assault. District is working with how they can interact with this group
- Policy updates
- ROTC update Air Force due to visit Bedford
- 11/7 was first of many budget meetings. Executive Summary and Elementary schools presented.

#### SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE - Mike Fournier

- RAINN offers policy work, staff training and student facing materials
- National Blue Ribbon acceptance ceremony in DC for RBS next week
- Budget goal is to be as flat as possible. 1.7M increase due to health insurance
- Intruder Alert systems installed or in progress at schools. Email coming from Superintendent next week to families. Staff workshop day in January will be an opportunity for staff to test systems.
- Tri-pod partner survey went out to all families
- Internet Safety presentation 11/14 Det Matt Fleming at One Church
- One Pill Can Kill about 70 attendees, successful event
- Feedback on cell phone policy at BHS overall positive from parents on PTG board with HS students

## PRINCIPAL UPDATE- Molly McCarthy, Bob Jozokos

End of Q1-report cards are out

Active attack drive-BHS and RAL will share with new intruder alert systems Academic goal at BHS to increase competency and reduce failures. Results from Q1 show a decrease in % of failures vs prior years Q1

\*\*\* VOTE \*\*\* APPROVE October Meeting Minutes - Minutes approved as written by Board

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS-SUPPORT DRIVE Update on Support Total -Trending Below

Continues to trend below budget about 25%

Will discuss possible Love Your School Drive to be held in February at next meeting Also an option to do a support push in December

GIFT WRAP FUNDRAISER (Budget \$11,000)

2023 Final Numbers
MEM- \$2,679.50
PWS- \$2,708.50
RBS- \$2,916.80
Upper- TBD

Results are approx 20% below budget included the expected Upper schools numbers

SKI, SKATE AND MORE (Budget \$19,000)

- Consignor Links Open 10/11 and will close 4pm 11/17 (Before Dropoff Begins)
- Equipment drop off Nov 17, 5-8pm. Sale please endorse time change Nov 18, 8:30-1pm at BHS
- Second Committee meeting upcoming -n/a
- Volunteers needed
- Reminder that no outside organizations or school groups can fundraise at PTG events. Several groups have asked this year (see Standing Rules)
- Volunteers are still needed on Saturday
- Rig a Tony's returning this year to sell pies and back goods

#### EVENTS/PROGRAMS:

RECAP:

One Pill Can Kill - see notes above in Superintendent update Kevin Hines - about 150 attendees for evening presentation. Successful student and community events. Kevin Hines will be sharing his full length documentary for school or community use...more details coming.

## UPCOMING:

Principal Winter Reading Night - 1/18 4:30 and 6:30pm (1/25 snow date) Plans are underway, more details coming soon.

## OTHER BUSINESS:

TREASURER UPDATE - Kelly O'Donnell

- Venmo being explored as an option to take in donations and payments. Part of PayPal family. Fees similar to PayPal. Need to verify how we can separate out transactions so we know how to account for them (ie Support vs S&S vs other event)
- Submit reimbursements in a timely manner. This is even more important with the fact that we are trending behind on fundraisers
- Reminder of ORK/AIR budgets to be spent

## MARKETING UPDATE - Tejal Saraiya

Push is for Ski and Skate sale

Running on electronic sign, signs are up around town, social media posts, Radio PSA coming soon, etc.

Please share event posts in other Facebook groups

LIAISON REPORTS - Send to Sue by Friday for inclusion in meeting minutes

**PWS** - not submitted

-Important Dates for Memorial:

- Stuff the Turkey Food Drive November thru December
- · Adopt a Family Starts in December
- Coffee Cart Holiday Themed

-Memorial's Family Fun Night of Bingo was a huge success and this event will be on the calendar for next year

-The 1st and 2nd graders had a Halloween parade through the school where students, teachers and staff were able to enjoy. This was the school's first year with a Halloween parade and it will continue as a tradition.

-On November 6th, Memorial had an all school meeting

-For the first time, BEEP teachers are hosting a seminar for its parents to discuss some tips and ways to assist in organization, to work with feelings, to help create routines and to help with things that may arise with the holidays coming up.

#### **RBS November Liaison Notes**

- First coffee cart of the year was successful
- Next RBS popcorn day will be 12/8
- Getting through Parent/Teacher conferences over the next few days

- RBS is offering apparel to order for students, staff, and parents through Drop Anchor. An RBS dedicated site was distributed to parents via Principal's Notes

#### McKelvie November Liaison Notes

McKelvie hosted a Veteran's Day celebration on Thursday, November 9th. Around 45 Veterans came to the school to share their experiences, answer questions and spend time with students. This event was very well received with students engaged and eager to ask thoughtful questions. The event was such as success that there are plans to continue this event in the future.

#### RAL liaison meeting notes from November 8, 2023

Attended by: Ed Joyce, Linnea Hilchey, Maddie Racine, Jess von Wallenstein

- Ed Joyce has decided to not have a Lurgio Grandfriends' Day moving forward
- PTG provided a potluck dinner for Parent/teacher conferences that was very well received
- PTG to provide treats for final staff meeting prior to Winter Break
- The 8th grade will be celebrating Solstice with teacher-led activity sessions
- · Fall sports seasons have completed, and winter sports are starting
- The Lurgio musical this year will be Frozen, Jr.
- Advisory will be collecting donations to form Holiday Baskets to help those in need

# BHS PTG Report November 2023

- **Cookie Caper** planned for December earlier date this year so it won't conflict with Advisory and other holiday parties
- **Roman Museum** set up at BHS and expanded to a week this year at the end of September. Not only Latin classes but also Roots of Thoughts classes were able to visit with the expanded time frame. It was a hit and there was a request for other classes to be able to see it next year. Students and staff were appreciative of the PTG funding to make this possible.
- **School events**: Kevin Hines spoke to 11th graders during the day on Oct. 30 and was well received; Some students also attended the community presentation in the evening.

### MINUTES APPROVED BY BOARD AS WRITTEN 12/13/23