

BCP Parent Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

6:00 pm/Brompton School Cafeteria

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I. Call to Order (Sarah): The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

Attendees: *Sandra Cosner, Kara Easton, Carmen Lara, Suzanne Loewen, Thomas Martin, Jennifer Matera, Brittany Miller, Jen Nachtigal, Joy Nesci, Sarah Salmon, Tatiana Scalzo, Christina Scarbalis, Trish Steffen, Claudia Torres, Maggie Whitefoot, Elizabeth Williams*

II. Approval of Minutes form 3/19/19 meeting: Joy Nesci motioned to approve the minutes and Carmen Lara seconded the motion.

III. Principal's Report (Mrs. Loewen)

Mrs. Loewen thanked all our current officers. Sarah moved us into a positive school culture when she didn't think she could. Loewen appreciates all the ladies on the board and thanked them for their proactive planning.

Survey results- she did share it with all the Board members. Parents gave tons of great ideas so Loewen will decipher and try to pull in what we can for the school. Teachers didn't get to see what the board saw. After the survey came in, Angela Konicki sends a request with a detailed agenda for talent show to which Sue gladly approved. Mrs. Loewen thanked the parents for allowing the kids to showcase their amazing talents.

Mrs. Loewen said the school has been without an office secretary for two months where her and Molly Meehan were covering during that time. She is glad we have hired a second person and said the two woman, Ms. Pringle and Ms. Milkie running the office are extraordinary. They both came up with a protocol for parent lunches that we can start next Tuesday. The 7 habits of highly successful families- Lora McNeely and Karla Erwin are action team members for this program. Karla Erwin attended the half day in March. Lora took this recent class to become certified. Maggie Whitefoot was a parent liaison who also became certified.

Kara Easton and Sandy Cosner attended the training and are ambassadors so they can also help with the program, but no strings attached. Three Kenosha schools (Brompton, Forest Park and Somers) attended the training which was led by John and Jane Covey. Mrs. Loewen will put together a roll out plan. The focus is to roll the 7 habits program out to the families now that the students have been learning it. She will announce in the fall what the rollout will look like. Mrs. Loewen is looking into purchasing more Leader in Me books. Sarah asked if we can do audio books for the leader in me books. Maggie has located a source for inexpensive books to purchase as well.

New Parent lunch plan: Parents need to reserve a spot 24 hours in advance. Each family needs to have a background check on file which is good for 5 years. There were questions on what exactly the background check entailed and what level may show up on the report. Adults should check in at the office at Door 16. Tables will be set up in the hallway. Please sign out when leaving the building and do not hold the door for anyone you don't know. There are 12 spots for people that are coming in for lunch each day. UPDATE FOLLOWING MEETING: The spots available each day do include the students as well.

Vestibule- Vernon already has their vestibule. Mrs Williams classroom door may be locked or removed when the vestibule is installed at Brompton. She will have a new entry way to her classroom.

The District as a whole is looking into a new security system. When people enter the school for the first time, they will hand over their driver's license to the secretary in the office, which will then be swiped. The system will check for sex offender status. Loewen is working with the district to for this to be our system as well, but it won't come out of our school budget

IV. Officer's Reports

A. President (Sarah): Sarah extended thanks yous to several people and everyone for coming to the meeting. She thanked the Club volunteers- Williams, Brittany, Konicki, Katie McKim, and Amy Robleski. She thanked the Archery coaches Jaime, Pete Rallo, Dan, and ?. Jen Matera for the book fair, Joy Nesci for the uniform resale, box tops, and so

much behind the scenes, mother son bowling events and so much for Middle schoolers, and thanked the teachers and the BCP ladies.

B. Vice President (Maggie): Thank you so much to everyone. She thanked Sarah who does so much behind scenes Maggie held the first Dads and Dogs event on Sunday at the Simmons Island Pavilion and it was an amazing event and she thanked all those who came out to help.

C. Treasurer (Trish): She provided copies of the budget. It is still work in progress as Quicken has been a challenge. She said there were a lot of negatives but some of those will be fixed. Last year at the end of August the balance of the account was about \$30,000. Right now we are at about \$32,000. However there are still some transactions that haven't taken place. This includes the two extra socials (mother daughter brunch and father son activity) and waiting on money from the shoe drive. She said it was great working with everyone over the last year.

D. Secretary (Sandy): Reminded everyone to please sign in to ensure we have a quorum for the voting. Reminded everyone we do have a position open on the Board (Vice President) for anyone who may be interested in joining the group.

E. Faculty Advisor (Karla/Lora): not present

F. Social Committee Chair (Christina):

Christina thanked everyone that helped at a committee.

Overview of year:

Outdoor movie night, she wants to continue. She asked if people liked the Courtyard in Vernon versus where we were at last year. Many liked the courtyard and Loewen proposed that maybe we could work with Vernon to landscape it. Williams and her went to the Lincoln school garden and would like to do something really nice like that.

FallFest- This was one of the best ones to date.

Giving tree- really liked it and would like to continue in the future.

Middle school bowling- went really well and Joy helped plan this event.

Toy Story movie night- one of the lower attended movie nights but thinks it was due to the cold weather.

Father daughter dance- moved to March from May and had 145 guests which was highest we have ever had. She would like to keep it in March. She already has a theme picked out for next year if she is voted in as Social Chair.

Parent social - a very fun event, she already has something in mind for next year

Mother son bowling- Joy heads this up and it is a great event

Mother daughter brunch- New this year. The Woman's Club had the room all decorated before she came in. She really loved the event as did all of the families. She sent a thank you to the manager and he said he can't wait to host for our event next year. Christina thanked Maggie for coming up with the idea on the Father Son event and organizing it was well.

Christina thanked everyone for an amazing year. These two socials (mother/daughter and father/son) were just added in near the end of the year and they were very successful. September 20 will be the first parent social in the new school year. Thank you to everyone.

G. Fundraising Committee Chair (Kara):

Kara shared a BCP flyer of overview.

Overview of fundraising for year- Shoe drive earned approximately \$1500 but will know more specifics at the end of next week because the amount earned is measured by weight, not the actual shoe count.

Kara said that for the shoe drive she didn't know if our small community could do this. She thanked all of those participating in the shoe cleaning which was a significant task. The second cleaning had about 2000 pairs of shoes. The organization only mailed her 150 bags (25 pairs per bag). The person on the truck counted 159 bags, so she will take that. That would approximate to 3975 pairs of shoes. This effort is helping to change thousands of lives forever. She extended her heartfelt thank you to the whole school community. Our school is small and she is blessed to be here at Brompton. Both Mike and her thank everyone.

Kara's overview of the funds raised for the 2018-2019 for all of the events (restaurant nights, Fall Fest, Action Territory, the Shoe Drive, the Spaghetti Dinner, the uniform resale and box tops) was approximately a

\$13,000 profit. Sarah extended her thanks for Kara for how amazing she was this year.

The Icecream truck will come to the school this Friday May 24 at 11:15 AM. School is dismissed at noon on this day. Students in 1st grade (736 pairs), 3rd grade (587 pairs) and 6th grade (285 pairs) all win and icecream due to the highest number of shoes collected in the school.

Every class earned a pie by achieving collection of 200 pairs of shoes except for 8th grade. First and Third grades also earned enough extra pies so that Mrs. Battle and Konicki will each earn a pie in the face too. Kara drew multiple names from each class for which students will be throwing the pies. Loewen is hoping that Kenosha News will show up for the pie assembly on June 7th at 1:15 pm.

V. Discussion Points

- A. Shoe Drive Update - Provided above under Fundraising chair
- B. Survey Results- Mrs Loewen spoke about this. Sarah said that as soon as the policy change happened it was understandable that parents were upset. Sarah expressed that we are looking at those in hopes to address different areas. She understood sometimes meeting dates don't work for everyone and has acknowledged that we have moved to different dates and times over the years to accomodate people. There was dozens of suggestions for different activities that we could do such as family game nights, coffee club with parents in the morning, newspaper clubs, etc... The BCP and Loewen will be working to address these suggestions and see what we can implement or change as a result. Loewen liked the ideas such as the parent coffee club each month. She will be spending time over the summer to vet these ideas to see what things we may be able to implement. Loewen would also like to get most everything on the school calendar in the Summer. Suggestions were made to get most everything on the calendar at the beginning of the year such as the music recital. Sue explained that is difficult to do as she may get bumped later if filling out a building permit too early in the year. She also found a way to get the newsletters directly to our

- inboxes weekly. Trish recommended putting important dates on the sign out in front of the building as well and include Student Council to help make this happen. Loewen mentioned that may be something she can work with the Interact club on since she is currently changing the sign on her own.
- C. Field Day- June 10. Mrs. Battle is looking for volunteers, and the BCP is also looking for 2 to 3 volunteers to help pack lunches starting at 9 AM. The first lunch will happen at 11:30. Please reach out to the BCP if you are interested in helping. We are trying to get fruit for lunches however it is costly so we are asking businesses for donations. We have currently received a \$40 gift card from Festival and still awaiting others.
- D. Executive Board Elections (Quorum was met)
- a. President- Maggie Whitefoot was elected President
 - b. Vice President- Brian Whitefoot received a vote for Vice President as a write in. He was told he could accept, decline or take some time to consider. This position remains open.
 - c. Treasurer- Tatiana Scalzo was elected
 - d. Secretary- Sandy Cosner was re-elected
 - e. Social Chair- Christina Scarbalis was re-elected.

Other: Mrs. Williams thanked the Board for the “ridiculously” amazing teacher appreciation week. She said the Love notes from the students were the best.

VI. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm. Jen Nachtigal motioned to adjourn and Elizabeth Williams seconded it.

Attachments included in hard copy files:

- a. Attendance sheet*
- b. What the BCP did in 2018-2019, Shoe drive and Funds raised flyers*
- c. Treasurer budget and report dated 5/20/2019*
- d. Visitor Lunchroom Guidelines*

Meeting minutes written by Sandra Cosner, BCP Secretary on May 22,
2019

and approved by:

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Sarah Salmon (President)

(Date)