



# Brookside Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

April 25, 2019 ~ Brookside Elementary School, Cafeteria

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Call to Order: 6:02 PM

Attendees: 22

**Secretary's Report:** Presented by Aimee Lyles. No changes or updates.

*Motion to accept secretary's report as written was made by Rebeca Coffey and seconded by Meghan Colon.*

**Treasurer's Report:** Presented by Christine Gillis. Reports for February and March were reviewed.

*Motion to accept treasurer's report as written was made by Rebeca Coffey and seconded by Hollis McCauley*

**Principal's Report:** *Principal or Lead Teacher unable to attend.*

## Old Business

- **Paint Night**
  - Great success. Had about 85 attendees per session.
- **Penny Race**
  - Raised over \$4000.
  - 10% of the amount raised will be donated to the Dracut Volunteers, Inc.
- **Tony Toledo Storyteller**
  - Amazing storyteller. Students and staff really enjoyed him.
    - Cost was \$845, however, thanks to a grant from the Dracut Cultural Council we will be reimbursed for the full amount.
- **Bingo for Books**
  - Night went well. Attendance for this free event is typically low.
    - Around 35 children attended the K-2 session and 15 children attended the 3-5 session.
  - We still have a good selection of books left for next year's Bingo for Books event.

## Upcoming Events

- **Current Fundraising**
  - **Box Tops**
    - Have another couple hundred to ready to submit.
    - May will be the Boys vs Girls competition.
  - **Amazon School Rewards**
    - Use our link whenever you shop, and we can receive up to 10% back on your purchases.
- **Scholastic Book Fair ~ April 29th – May 3rd**
  - Items being delivered tomorrow (4/25).
  - All items (books, pencils, posters, etc..) will be buy one get one free. Item of lesser value will be the free item.

2018-2019 Executive Board: Rebeca Coffey, President; Jennifer Lynch & Katie Muchirahondo, Co-Vice-Presidents; Aimee Lyles, Secretary; Christine Gillis & Karen Mirabito-Cowan, Co-Treasurers

- We need CORled volunteers to help throughout the week.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week ~ May 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>**
  - All Brookside staff are appreciated during this week.
  - Not many details given since 2 board members are staff members and many teachers were in attendance.
    - Luncheon will be on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.
    - Under budget.
    - Teachers and staff are treated with a little something each day.
  - **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Year End**
    - 5<sup>th</sup> grade carnival is scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup> with a rain date of June 10<sup>th</sup>.
      - Need CORled volunteers to help run stations/games.
    - Yearbook set-up is underway. Deadline to submit paperwork, photos, dedications, etc... was today.
      - Gardner Graphics prints the yearbooks and has not gone up in price for in 3-4 years. We only pay \$8.50 per book.
    - 5<sup>th</sup> grade t-shirts should be ready by Memorial Day.

## **2019 - 2020 Board Elections**

Elections took place for the position of president only. The current treasurer ran unopposed. Individuals interested in the position of secretary agreed to co-chair the position.

Two members wished to ask candidates to answer questions to assess their qualifications for the position. Both candidates agreed to speak briefly. During discussion, another member motioned to table the vote for one month in order to allow candidates to provide written statements to entire general membership. Motion was not seconded. After approx. 20 minutes of discussion, vote commence via secret ballot. Ballots were counted by Coffey and Christine Gillis and confirmed by Aimee Lyles.

There were roughly 22 members and 6 executive members in attendance. Vallery Miller received 14 votes. Katie Muchirahondo received 12 votes. The new executive board will take office June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Vallery Miller, President; Katie Muchirahondo, Vice-President; Michelle Clement, Co-Secretary; Stacey Vellante, Co-Secretary; and Karen Mirabito-Cowan, Treasurer.

Congratulations to the new executive board!

*Motion to approve the election results were unanimous and was made by Rebeca Coffey and seconded by Tricia Hurley.*

## **Adjournment**

- Next meeting will be held on May 29th.
- 7:23 PM meeting adjourned. Motion to adjourn was made by Rebeca Coffey and seconded by Michelle Baker.