



Brookside Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2018 ~ Brookside Elementary School, Cafeteria

Call to Order: 6:01 PM

Attendees: 5

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 Mr. Edward Welles

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Christine Gillis. Reviewed October - December reports.

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

Principal's Report: *Provided by Co-Lead Teacher, Mr. Edward Welles*

- The MCAS report card for Brookside Elementary information was shared with parents last week on Sunday's message and email. Hard copies will be going home soon.
- The dates for MCAS testing was mentioned in Sunday's message and email. A hard copy was sent home with students on Tuesday.
- Parents who have not registered on the iParent Portal (iPass) need to register in order to access their student's report card.
- Students who stay after school and intend to take the last bus must have a bus pass and they must be visible to the driver.
- An updated school calendar is available on the DPS and Brookside websites.
 - The last day of school is now June 25, 2018

Old Business

- ***Bear Wear Sale***
 - Sales were a success and items were delivered on time.
 - Made \$68
 - Biggest sellers were tie dye t-shirt and hooded sweatshirt
 - Feedback on what people would like to see ~ Youth size zippered hoodie
- ***Gentlemen's Choice***
 - We sold 70 tickets. Party room was nice sensory friendly environment for those who needed it
 - Next hockey night will be planned as a school wide event
- ***Science Night***
 - Attendance was low, not as large as has been in the past
 - Not sure if it was because it was right before the holidays and/or people did not have to sign up for a time slot to enter the Earth Dome which would have committed them to attend
 - Possibly move it back to a January event
 - Ask representative from Science on the Street to arrive earlier so they have more time to set up

Upcoming Events

- **Author Rob Buyea Visit ~ February 7th, 9 AM – 2 PM**
 - He will do a presentation for grades 3-5 and then hold a writing workshop with each classroom
 - Cost was \$1300 which is being fully covered by a generous grant provided by the Dracut Cultural Council
 - Thank you to Rebeca Coffey for applying for this grant
 - Another presentation, TBD, will be provided for grades K-2
- **Ladies Choice Luau ~ February 11th, 3 – 5 PM**
 - Currently have 41 individuals attending
 - This is a prepaid event, we ask anyone who plans on attending to send in their forms and payment, so we can get an accurate count
 - We will have snacks and water
 - Natural Expressions Photography will be doing professional photos
 - Order forms will be sent home before the event
- **Current Fundraising**
 - Box Tops
 - Just received a check for April – December 2017 for \$651.40
 - Have about \$900 more to be submitted
 - The student who brings in the most Box Tops for January will receive a Snowman/Hot Cocoa Basket
 - Hannaford Helps
 - The program ended on December 3rd, we have not received the check yet
 - Amazon School Rewards
 - By using the link on our website when doing your Amazon shopping we get a percentage back ~ the link is always active
 - Link can be accessed through our Facebook page or our website www.BrooksidePTO.com
 - Recently received a check for \$25.80 from individuals utilizing our link ~ Thank You!
 - Other Business
 - Dracut Night at the Spinners ~ June 29th, 6:35 PM
 - Flyers will go home at the beginning of May with a due date sometime before Memorial Day
 - Penny Race will be moved to February 13th – 16th
- **Adjournment**
 - Next meeting will be held in February 15th at 6 PM
 - 6:31PM meeting adjourned. Motion to adjourn was made by Rebeca Coffey and seconded by Hollis Holsten