



## BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL

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### Organization Meeting Minutes

**June 8, 2021**

**Start time: 7:08pm**

#### **Welcome and Comments** – Danielle Fredella, President

Thank you for joining this evening. Thank you everyone for your support through this year and understanding during these ever changing times. Thank you to all the staff for the presentations this year. It was a wonderful change and wonderful to add them to the meetings for the parents. Please if you would like to be a homeroom parent next year please reach out to Ramsey at [melendez.family07@yahoo.com](mailto:melendez.family07@yahoo.com) and let her know. We look forward to seeing you all in the new school year. Have a happy, healthy and safe summer,

#### **Elementary Principal's Report:** Corby Swan

##### **Principal Swan's PreK - 4 Update**

Since we last met, we have had more and more activities, learning, and planning happening at BTS. Elementary classes continue to have end of the year activities, some of which include families for things like Mystery

Reader and Career Presentations, so thank you to all families for contributing to the enrichment of our students.

Our School Family Partnership Series has been great this year. We started with Mrs. Alfieri and Ms. Spero on Helping Your Child Learn to Read, then Dr. Puglia and Ms. Skiba on Ways to maximize Digital and Virtual Learning, followed by Title Talk with Ms. Mancini, and our last one was Promoting Speech and Language in the Home by Mrs. Doorly and Mrs. Friedman, and for our final presentation of the year, I am excited that we will have How To Integrate Social Emotional Learning in Our Daily Lives by Mrs.

Infante and Ms. Deckhut. Thank you so much to these teachers for taking the time to work on these presentations, then to take a night out of their own time to present them, and of course to the PTO for supporting these efforts and giving them a platform.

Thank you to the PTO for all that you do and we look forward to working with you next year.

### **Middle School Principal's Report:** Dr. Elizabeth Omega

1. May had a record number of Students of the Month! They continue to rise to the occasion and demonstrate acts of character, kindness, trustworthiness, caring, respect, and responsibility. Their accolades are in the JUNE Parent Newsletter.

2. Congrats to the BTS Lax team and BTS Softball season on their successful season despite the odds of whether they practiced hard, battled strong, and celebrated the season!

3. BTS is excited for opportunities for students as provided with the newly designed master schedule! 5th graders will begin with a choice in World Language. 4th-grade parents will receive correspondence and surveys from me in the weeks ahead allowing their students to choose FRENCH or SPANISH next fall. At the end of 5th grade, they may change, and for grades 6-8, they will pursue their final choice as our 3-year program equates to a 1-year course at BHS. Their completion of grades 6-8 will allow many of them to skip level 1 freshmen year. Additionally, we are looking at opportunities to include social and emotional learning in the classroom, opportunities for STEAM, and cross-collaboration among disciplines. To that end the following minutes were allocated:

**Grade 7 & 8** will have 4 core classes daily at 60 minutes each (Science, Social Studies, Math, and ELA) in addition to World Language and cycles.

**Grade 5 & 6** will have 4 core classes daily; Math is now 60 min, ELA is 80 min\*\* and Science and Social Studies are 40 minutes in addition to World Language and cycles. (apologies, I believe I may have said 120 in 5/6 but that is K4).

4. We are excited to offer more options that celebrate our 8th graders! Their parent-sponsored dance is June 15th. We will have a small celebration on June 16th after students leave to have a BBQ, music, yearbook signing, some gifts, a special surprise sponsored by our PTO, and a Student-Staff Volleyball match-up. The promotion ceremony is Tuesday, June 22nd at 5:30 pm on-site at BTS. All of this information will be sent out to parents by week's end.

We want to thank our families, students, teachers, and our amazing PTO for their continued support! This has been a challenging and exhausting 15 months for so many and the strength of this community allowed us to bond together and continue to make the kids our priority in every way. For that, we thank you!!

**Teacher Representative** Chuck Hogan – not present

Nothing to report

**Board of Education Report** Giovanna Lamiera

- Notes from the superintendent office relayed to the parents. At the current time we have about 78% of the students attending full time in person. The county superintendent attended the school and was very pleased with everything he saw in our school throughout this pandemic.
- Waiting on the CDC and Department of health for the safe return to school next year is due you at the end of June.
- There are several building projects taking place in the summer.
- The school is also in the process of writing grants for afterschool programs and more information will be coming out in the next few weeks. A new master schedule will be coming out throughout the summer for next year
- A huge thank you to everyone at the school for everything they did this year

**Correspondence and Minutes** Marissa Nolfi, Secretary

- All PTO Meeting Minutes Reports can be found on our websites & social media
- Thank you notes for the teachers luncheon.
- We got a donation from a parent at the school and a thank you.

● **Treasurer's Report** Ramsey Melendez, Treasurer

- Report is available on PTO website [www.bedminsterpto.org](http://www.bedminsterpto.org)
- TO has two (2) separate bank accounts. One is specifically for our 50/50 raffle that we hold annually. You can find this information on this month's Treasurer's report. Please see the Treasurers report which is available on our website for actual dollar figures regarding inflows and outflows.  
Our Biggest Currently are:
  - Inflows main account:
  - SF Auction-Stripe \$10,410.25
  - SF Auction-Stripe \$352.54

- Donation-Hickey \$200.00
- Transfer from 50/50 acct \$2,720.00
- AmazonSmile \$76.63 5/24/2021 Box Tops \$520.70
- Donation-Wiley \$500.00
  - Inflows 50/50 Account:
  - 50/50 Raffle Tickets \$155.00
  - **Total Inflows: \$14,935.12**
  - Outflows main account:
  - Teacher App. Gift Cards-Raffle \$85 Target\$20, CVS(Amazon)\$25, Starbucks\$20 & \$20
  - Teacher App. ATM Withdrawal-RM \$60 \$20 & \$20 Dunkin gc and \$20 Kings tip
  - Teacher App Lunch: Kings #1264 \$949.54
  - SF Bedminster Florist \$ 123.58
  - SF Expenses: Laura deZutter #7....04 \$ 238.75 Stamps \$220 & Envelopes \$18.75
  - SF Expenses: Laura deZutter #7....05 \$ 70.00 32Auction Registration
  - Grade Level: Snakes-N-Scales (4th) \$ 150.00
  - 50/50 Winning 25% (MO) #7...08 \$ 1,510.00
  - 50/50 Winnings 15% (NB) #7...09 \$ 906.00
  - 50/50 Winnings 50% transfer to #1296 \$ 2,720.00 (minus \$300 to keep acct active) 50/50 Winnings 10% (LS) #7...10 \$ 604.00
  - **Total Outflows: \$7,416.87**
  - Total Balance in our Main account: \$ 61,028.83
  - Total Balance in our 50/50 Raffle Account: \$ 300.00
  - **Total combined as of May 31, 2021: 61,328.83**
  - PTO will be collecting memberships via **PayPal friends and family** at [btsptotreasury@gmail.com](mailto:btsptotreasury@gmail.com) Ramsey Melendez

### **\*New Business**

#### **Field of Honor:**Danielle Fredella

- The PTO has purchased a flag in support of the Field of Honor

#### **PTO Budget:** Ramsey Melendez

- The Budget for the 2021-2022 School year was reviewed and accepted.

#### **Parent Social Emotional Learning Prestation:** Gina Infante and Krista Deckhut

- Please see the PTO Social pages for the link to the presentation. And other links for more information.

### **\*Public Questions & Comments:**

This portion will be held to a 15-minute limit. We politely ask that each speaker limit his or her time to 5 minutes for comments and/or questions in regard to any agenda point or any other topic related to the PTO. If any written documents are to be given to the PTO Executive Board, please email them to the Board Secretary, Marissa Nolfi, 2 days in advance of the meeting date. [pto@bedminsterschool.org](mailto:pto@bedminsterschool.org)

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Nothing to report

### **Ongoing Committees:**

#### **PTO Membership:**

Executive Board

- \$15 per Family
- Memberships fees will be collected virtually through PayPal friends & family using the email [btsptotreasury@gmail.com](mailto:btsptotreasury@gmail.com)
- Forms can also be found on our website.

#### **PTO Meeting Schedule:**

- <http://www.bedminsterpto.org/meeting-dates.html>

**\*\*Please note: All meetings are subject to change at any time. All meetings will be held virtually through Google Meet until further notice.**

#### **Assemblies**

Sonia Marto

- None scheduled at this time. Information to follow soon.

#### **Bulletin Boards**

Danielle Fredella and Faith Constable

#### **Homeroom Parents**

Ramsey Melendez

- Thank you to all HRP's for sending the emails needed and for all of their time and dedication to the teachers and their classrooms.
- If you are interested in becoming a Homeroom Parent for next school Year, please email Ramsey.

## **Bedminster Charities Fall Fest**

Meriah Valente, Stephanie Zultanky and Samantha D'antuono

Cancelled this year

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### **Closing Notes:** Danielle Fredella, PTO President

Thank you everyone for attending. Thank you Mrs. Infante and Ms. Deckhut for the presentation. We look forward to seeing everyone next year hopefully in person. Please have a happy and wonderful summer vacation.

**This meeting date is subject to change.**

**Meeting Closed at 7:41 pm**

***\*COMMENTS – We welcome any comments from the floor. However, please direct any questions specifically pertaining to your child(ren) to the appropriate person after the meeting or to the appropriate administrator during school hours. This meeting is recorded for the purpose of drafting a minutes report and to have a factual record of the meeting once minutes are submitted.***