



## BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL

### Parent Teacher Organization

### Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2024



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**Start time:** 7:08

#### **President's Welcome:** Marissa Nolfi

Hi everyone and thank you all for being here tonight. We didn't have an April meeting so we have a few things to go over tonight. We had a beautiful lunch for the staff appreciation week. The ladies did a wonderful job and we put pictures on our social media so everyone can see. Spring Fling was amazing! Thank you everyone who came out to support us or even made a donation for the event. Our end game is to raise money for our children to do fun things throughout the year for them. Fareeha will touch base on the Human Board game that we had in. Ms Mitchell is here tonight to speak on behalf of the 6/7 Math Criteria. The budget has been updated for the 2024/2025 PTO school year.

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

Since we last met, we have had a lot going on. We are in full NJSLA mode this week and part of next week for make-up testing.

We celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week from May 6th through May 10th. Thank you to the PTO for the staff luncheon. It was nice to see so many students bringing in gifts of appreciation for their teachers who work so hard.

Thank you to Mrs. Fredella and Mrs. Nolfi for the amazing bulletin boards they have been doing for the past few years. It takes a tremendous amount of work, time, energy, and a lot of thought to come up with the best themes for these boards.

I was honored to present 4th Grade Teacher Mrs. Natalie Stanek at the Somerset County Governor's Educator Recognition Awards Ceremony. This ceremony is a great way to honor all of the Educator of the Year recipients in Somerset County, so a big congratulations to Mrs. Stanek.

We had an awesome Ultimate Human Board Game Assembly focusing on character-building, teamwork, sportsmanship, and participation. Thank you to the PTO for organizing that.

Our Odyssey of the Mind Team consisting of students in grades 4 & 5 competed in the Skylands Regional Tournament eventually placing 3rd and qualifying for the State Finals. Congratulations to the team and to Mrs. Ragoza who helped lead them to this accomplishment.

We are in our Spring Concert Series and had great attendance for the Orchestra & Strings Concert. Next will be our Band and Jazz Band Concert on Wednesday, May 22nd followed by our Choral & Handbell Concert on Wednesday, June 5th. We hope to see you there.

Please remember that school is closed on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day. Thank you to the PTO for all that they do.

Thank you to Mrs. Nolfi, Mrs. Fredella, Mrs. Pascale, and Mrs. Gunay for serving as officers on the PTO Executive Board. I look forward to working with the newly elected officers as we move to next year.

**Teacher Representative:** Beth Rosnell – Hi everyone! I have a few slides tonight from the teachers to show what the students have been doing.

Madame Holzberger- Manie Musicale 2024

Fifth Grade- Field trip to Liberty Science Center. Learned about animals, space, and more!

Third Grade- Field trip to The Great Swamp, where they enjoyed learning about habitat and also about different animal adaptations.

Ms McCoy- Turned her room into a Disney Day of learning

Kindergarten- Field trip to Doyle's Farm where they learned to bottle feed, sheep shearing, goat milking, egg collecting and flower planting.

Kindergarten- Rizzo's Wildlife came into school

Fourth Grade- Lenni Lenape Unit

**Board of Education Report:** Gabriel Wickizer

Budget formally approved

Math curriculum criteria for the next school year adopted

Important website updates and facility fixes after the earthquake completed

Before/ aftercare out for bid to enhance services

Board Annual Retreat coming up 5-6pm Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

Come and engage to help propel our school to new heights!

**Secretary's Report**– Danielle Fredella

Motion to approve March Minutes

First- Lauren DiMeo

Second- Anne Van Druff

Correspondence- from the BTS staff thanking us for the beautiful lunch. Some pictures and thank you notes from the First grade classes for the Penguin that joined our school , and thank you from Dr Omegna for all that the PTO does for the students and staff throughout the year.

**Treasurer's Report** – Aygun Gunay

Report is available on PTO website [www.bedminsterpto.org](http://www.bedminsterpto.org)

Inflows: \$ 15,973.36

Outflows: \$2,569.71

Main Account Balance: \$102,710.78

50/50 Raffle Balance: \$300

Total Cash Available: \$103,010.78

PTO will be collecting memberships via PayPal friends and family at [btsptotreasury@gmail.com](mailto:btsptotreasury@gmail.com)

## **New Business**

**PTO Meeting Schedule- June 4, 2024 at 7:00pm**

**\*Please Note All Meetings Are Subject To Change \***

**Staff Appreciation Lunch:** Fareeha Rahim - Thank you to Jenn, Lauren, and Kim for helping with the luncheon. I had a fun time planning . We tried a new catering company this year and we think it went very well.

**PR/Social Media/Website:** Anne Van Druff  
Nothing to report

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Danielle Fredella

Hi everyone. . We are coming to the end. Our field trips are coming up. We also have the dance planned. The students have a busy week with the mural and end of year stuff. Thank you Dr Omega for working with me and helping with all the preparation this year.

**Wellness (School Sustainability):** Marissa Nolfi

**Executive Board Elections:** Anne Van Druff  
**2024-2025 School Year Executive Board**

President: Jenn Chang

Vice President: Kim Neuss

Secretary: Lauren DiMeo

Treasurer: Paulina Lorenz

**Presentation:** Math Criteria Grades 6/7 Ms. Mitchell

**Public Questions & Comments:** 4 to 5 minutes for comments and/or questions in regards 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 2 days in advance of meeting date: [pto@bedminsterschool.org](mailto:pto@bedminsterschool.org)

## **Old Business**

## **Ongoing Committees**

**Assemblies:** Fareeha Rahim

**Bulletin Board:** Danielle Fredella and Marissa Nolfi

**Home Room Parents:** Jen Tierney, Jenn Chang, and Danielle Fredella

**Spirit Wear:** Jessica Pascale and Kelly Lynn Barry

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Danielle Fredella

**Helping Hands:** TBD

**Wellness Committee(School Sustainability):** Marissa Nolfi

**Social Media/Website:** Anne Van Druff and Steve Zacharko

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**Closing Notes: Marissa Nolfi**

Everyone have a great night. Next Meeting April 9, 2024 in room 315

**Meeting Closed at 8:30 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 writing minutes and to have a factual record of the meeting once minutes are submitted recordings are deleted.**

