



BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL

Parent Teacher Organization

Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2023



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Start time: 7:10

President's Welcome: Marissa Nolfi

Good evening my friends. This is an amazing turn out tonight. Few things I'd like to mention tonight. First, PTO membership and we have Madame Holzberger to speak on behalf of teacher participation. Family memberships are still open. You can either mail that into AYGUN or go onto Paypal.

Elementary Principal's Report: Corby Swan

We are one solid month into school. Our teachers have set their expectations and are building their classroom communities.

Teachers are in the midst of making pacing adjustments to our math program as we enter year #3 so that more content can be covered.

We have implemented a Student Attendance Review Team for elementary school. Our plan is to reach out to families and engage them in understanding the importance of their child being in school. We meet twice per month and address trends while communicating with families of students who are chronically absent. The goal here is not just to contact them but to find out why they have been chronically absent and to offer resources and assistance from the school. The team consists of Mr. Swan, our elementary school counselor, our Thrive school social worker, and our attendance coordinator.

Hopefully you received the communication on the Halloween Parade which will be held October 31st at 2 pm in our school parking lot. Please make sure that protocols and procedures.

Please remember that we have Fall Parent Teacher Conferences on November 6th, 7th, and 8th. More information will be shared with you in the next few weeks.

Thank you to the PTO for your tremendous support of our school!

Middle School Principal's Report: Dr. Omega (no report)

Teacher Representative: Beth Rosnell

National French Week runs from November 1st – 8th. Students from grades 6- 8 are able to participate in The French Trivia Contest. School announcements will also include French Culture Trivia as well.

Machios is looking into adding something French to the lunches. Items will be limited due to the shorten days that week.

Science grade 7- participated in an outdoor field trip which included taking water samples from the local stream. Students love the paved trail to get there. Thank you to Bedminster Township.

Mr LeFurge along with many BTS band members attended BHS Band Day on October 6th. They met the BHS Marching Band and played the Star Spangled Banner.

Halloween Parade will be on held on Tuesday, October 31st Grades PreK-4th

ELA grade 5- Miss Mancini and her students just completed their first unit Exploring Identities and how they effect understanding.

Grade 4- Students had a virtual author visit from the author Kate Di Camillo

Madame Holzeberger – I had the pleasure of going around to collect PTO membership. We have collected 100% participation from all the teachers. We really appreciate everything that you do throughout the year.

Board of Education Report: Suzie Stevinson
No report, not present

Vice President: Jessica Pascale

Secretary's Report– Danielle Fredella
Motion to approve September minutes
First-Anne Van Druff
Second- Jen Tierney

Treasurer's Report – Aygun Gunay
Report is available on PTO website www.bedminsterpto.org
Inflows: \$ 1,320.00
Outflows: \$3,457.18
Main Account Balance: \$82,257.53
50/50 Raffle Balance: \$300
Total Cash Available: \$82,557.53
PTO will be collecting memberships via PayPal friends and family at bsptotreasury@gmail.com

New Business

PTO Membership: Executive Board
\$15 per Family/ \$10 Teacher-Staff

PTO Meeting Schedule- All meetings will be held in Room 315

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

Homeroom Parents: Jen Tierney, Jenn Chang, and Danielle Fredella

Thank you to all who volunteered to be a HRP this year. We are asking this year as a reminder from our first meeting, that at least one HRP rotate and be present at the PTO meeting to be able to report back with information to your class families. I have a sign in for you to write whom your teacher is so we are able to keep track. We also thank everyone that cc'd us on the emails going out to your families. We started doing this as a way to keep track of whom is actually sending the information out. This was a problem last year. We continue to collect class money donations and contact information. Ms Mitchell is helping to work with us for the MS classes especially.

Spooktacular: Marissa Nolfi, Aygun Gunay, & Anita Gandulfo **October 30th**
We have about 140 rsvp including parents. Pizza, Prizes and Games

Spirit Wear: Jessica Pascale and Kelly Lynn Barry Sale begins **November 1st -29th**

We will be selling at Fall Fest like we did at BTSN. We will have sweatpants, sweatshirts, t-shirts, ect.
One new thing we are added and excited for is the new stadium chair.

Scholastic Book Fair: Danielle Fredella **October 9th-13th**

Was a successful event . I will have more info at the November meeting as I just closed out the Bookfair.

Spring Fling: Executive Board- April 19, 2024 **Volunteers Needed**

We are looking for people to chair baskets. If interested please let Marissa Nolfi

Assemblies: Fareeha Rahim

First assembly is a Musical about Diversity and different cultures and will be on October 25th for Elementary grades.
MS will be having Rob Hall coming in throughout year to touch on Cyber Bully and social media. Looking forward to

8th Grade: TBD

School Family Partnership Series: Mrs Zugale, BTS Director of Student Services

Topic: Lifelines Program, What parents & guardians need to know about suicide prevention in our school.

Please refer to our PTO website for the slide presentation and details

PR/Social Media: Anne Van Druff and Steve Zacharko

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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

Old Business

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Scholastic Bookfair: Danielle Fredella

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

8th Grade: TBD

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 November 14th in room 315

Meeting Closed at 8:28 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.

