

Bonny Slope Community Organization Meeting Minutes

Jan. 20, 2009

List of attendees was lost.

Agenda

- 7:00pm – Welcome
- 7:03pm – Approve minutes from November 24th Meeting
- 7:05pm – Board Updates
 - Danette Scales, Director of committees
 - Scott Whipple, Treasurer's Report
 - Volunteer Support Update
- 7:30pm – Principal/5th grade ambassador Update
- 7:40pm – Old Business
 - Scrip Sales/Outdoor School
- 7:45pm – New Business
 - Movie Night
 - Science Fair
 - Art Fair Presentation-Pam W.
- 7:55pm – Water Cooler
- 8:00pm – Go Home!

Welcome/Intros

Approve minutes from November 24th Meeting

Minutes aren't available - Tabled until next meeting.

Board Updates – Danette Scales

Communication

- Website hit #'s up – due to Science Fair and Enrichment Searches
- Changes to site - Sub-menu links
- Question was raised as to whether info (from forms) can be collected off the website.
 - Considered “3rd party” collection, not secure
 - Beaverton School District frowns on it
 - US Data Policy
- Utilize writeable PDF software from district for forms data collection?
 - 1 copy is available per school
 - Created a database of info
 - Could be put on a common computer
 - Still have security problems
- One attendee has experience with forms

Art Literacy – Escher is the 3rd artist

Educational Support – Artist in Residency finalizing

Family Events

- Family Movie Night Wed. Jan 28 6:30 start

- Kung Fu Panda – had to remove from website due to copyright laws
- Doors open 6:15pm
- 5th graders selling snacks/concession starting at 6pm
- First Carnival meeting is next month

5th Grade Activities

- Finishing scrip sales
- Raised ~\$1300 not including gifts to teachers/staff
- Setting up snacks for Movie Night
- Available to be ambassadors at events

Sustainability

- Have form for green certification
- Salem Summit – full funding not available, closed a month early
 - Our Science Fair kids won't be going

Passport Club – Recheck for Dec and check day for Jan coming up

Science Fair

- Kick-off meeting was Jan. 9th
- Carol spend 45 minutes in every class last week giving a scientific method overview and teaching SPAM
- Stations have been solidified
 - Connections to the Community – Outside businesses will show how science affects work
- Dinner will be from Old Spaghetti Factory
- 5th Graders will sell dessert
- There will be a raffle – not intended raise enough money to make the science fair self funding
- 10 or so “what happens next” questions will be posted to the web-site
- PawPrints and BSCO website will include links to project examples
- Need to remind students that small group projects are OK
- After-school science club (3rd, 4th, 5th graders)

Treasurer's Report – Scott Whipple,

- ~32500 in the bank
- ~43000 of 54000 goal has been raised
- Jog-a-thon and carnival are still to come
 - If they meet their income goals, will still be under budget by \$4000 - \$5000
- Matching donations are still coming in
- Expenses – not too many new since last meeting

Volunteer Support Update– Gloria Zabel

- Excited by Volunteers - ~6500 volunteer hours year to date for Bonny Slope
 - District, grant writing, parents, teachers all look at number of volunteer hours when considering schools.
- Volunteer Social – Friday, Jan. 30th 8:30am – 9:30am

- Will have Cappuccino makers
- Valentine Day class parties coming up, Friday, Feb. 13th.
 - Decision was made at beginning of year not to collect money up front.
 - Want donated items from home
 - Want volunteer help
 - Parties will be on list of questions that will be a part of an upcoming Spring survey – including no class parties.
- Photo-id's in process

Principal/5th grade ambassador Update

Leah Miller 5th Grade Ambassador – Mr. Traller's Class President

Both 5th grade classes have separate class governments

Newscasts to school 8:40am 1st Thursday of month

Topics will vary, possible examples, 4th grade magnetism, scrip, PYP, MLK Jr.

Kim Haskins – Principal

- Site Council is up and going exploring why there is a site council, what is it's role/purpose, operating agreements
 - Meeting today
 - Will have a school improvement plan by May (have 1 year to set one up)
 - Will post meeting minutes on the Community Board
 - Takes 2 years of data before a school is rated. Bonny Slope won't be rated but will still get data
 - Looking at community data, getting to know kids, intertwine PYP
- Whole school staff meeting today
 - Carrie More is the visiting Artist in Residence
 - Project will involve pastels
 - Creating a Foam-core mobile for the front entry
 - Staff excited
 - 2 parent volunteers are needed for each class session
 - Science Fair
 - Discussed ways to support inside and outside classes
 - Send home reminders, explaining, including in newsletters and calendars
 - Show up that night
 - Most classes will do a class project, none will be forced to
 - Kim is doing a project with the 5th grade ambassadors on gas and electric consumption at Bonny Slope (heating and cooling still in commissioning phase)
 - BSD Board Meeting Mon. Jan, 26th will resolve snow days issue
 - Staff has already been paid for those days, so money is not an issue
 - District can do whatever it wants, doesn't have to work with the teacher unions.
 - Intend to make up 2 – 4 of the days

- Could remove staff in-service days, conferences at the elementary and middle school levels, finals at the High School level, President's Day
- Budget
 - Proposals affective today, pending union approval
 - Extended contracts for teachers/overtime eliminated
 - That means more parent help will be needed to fill in for overtime normally put in by Janet and others
 - Included custodian on Family Night
 - All food expenses frozen (B-day cookies, muffins, etc)
 - General fund frozen
 - Out of state non-essential funds
 - Non-essential furniture purchases
 - Bonny Slope can still use pre-determined grand dollars for PYP classes
 - Freeze teacher education re-imburement – pending BEA approval
 - Class size will most likely stay large
 - Will have to cut at least \$4 million until the end of the year
 - Hoping no personnel will be lost, but not out of the question
 - Teachers will have codes for copiers next year
- Push fun run (jog-a-thon) hard – will be asking BSCO for more money next year
- Bonny Slope TV, 8:40am first Thursday of every month
 - Live
 - Hope for twice a month next year
 - Will be on the website if can get “my kid/no picture” numbers down

New Business

Art Fair Presentation-Pam W.

- Art Literacy didn't have the time to sponser
 - April 16th picked as the date, with Kim's help
 - Need money – don't know how much yet – could maybe borrow displays from other schools
 - Talked to Cedar Mill and Terra Linda
 - Would like 2 parts
 - 1: Kids bring in artwork from home – within a specified size
 - 2: Hands-on work/art
 - Asked to present a proposal for vote at next BSCO Community Meeting, including request for complete art fair, subset of art fair

Adjourn 8:15pm.