



## Ben Franklin Academy PTO MEETING MINUTES

Date: 12/15/16 Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Location: Ben Franklin Academy, 2270 Plaza Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO

### **President: Pamela Betts**

- Thanked the PTO for all the hard work and energy that the members have done this school year. We will enjoy an appreciation/holiday dinner this evening.

### **Vice President: Christi Richardson**

- Volunteer Quota Awards – Rachel Molieri won for the month of November. Thank you Rachel for all you have done!

### **Secretary: Mindy Pooler & Lisa Travis Fisher**

- Vote List
  - Only one item was voted on since our last meeting.
  - The PTO approved \$700 to replace the chains on the swings as the protective coating on the chains was wearing after the past 6 years of continuous use.

### **Fundraising Coordinator: Serena Grissom & Rachael Hamburger**

- Fun Run Update - \$64,000+ collected
- Fundraising Committee is scheduled to meet with the APEX Team in January for a recap of the Fun Run. Please email any feedback you might have to [fundraising@bfacademy.org](mailto:fundraising@bfacademy.org)
- Brick Fundraiser
  - Wrapping up brick fundraiser within the next month.
- BENefit Bash Update
  - Searching for location for the BENefit Bash
  - If you have any suggestions for locations for 250 people, **contact** [fundraising@bfacademy.org](mailto:fundraising@bfacademy.org)

## **Social Coordinator: Brooke Svanda**

- Winterfest
  - Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> – 4-7pm
  - Next Meeting January 4th, 7pm – Starbucks in King Soopers – University/Highlands Ranch Location
  - Entrance fee to Winterfest- \$5pp/\$20 per family; no free entry this year
  - New gym open, activities in the old gym, cake walk (wintery ideas!)
  
- **Ben Franklin's Birthday**
  - January 17<sup>th</sup> – during lunch
  - Cookies will be distributed during lunch
  
- **Father/Daughter Event**
  - A Night in Paris – Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Dance and activities for fathers/daughters
  - If anyone knows about the “Star Showers” in white lights
  - Next committee meeting around January 10<sup>th</sup> – Date TBD
  - Jim Cohen took pictures at the Mother/Son last year – will check with him

## **Room Parent Coordinator: Angela Gibson**

- Holiday Parties – Classroom parties will be held tomorrow.
  
- Discussed Script program – online program where parents can purchase gift cards where the school gets a certain percentage back. This would take the money handling out of the hands of Room Parents and allow gift cards to be purchased directly. Other schools in the area have used this program (i.e. Stone Mountain) and it has been successful. Please share any feedback you might have about the program.

**Next PTO Meeting:  
January 19, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Science Lab**