



Ben Franklin Academy

PTO MINUTES

Date: 09/18/19 Time: 6:30-8:00 pm

Location: BFA Sanders Science Lab

President: Mollie Anderson

1. October PT conferences
 - o Staff dinners (Annie Burt, Michelle Ziegler) - breakfast for dinner one night; Zoe's Kitchen catering the other night
 - o Spirit wear / PTO tables - last time for the school year; one volunteer spot open; online store will close after 9/30; PT conferences are the last time to buy new spirit wear until spring
2. Small group grant account - Spirit Rock, Uniform Buyback Sale & October Spirit Night(s) will go into this account
3. Virtues Awareness - brag tags for K-4 & cards for 5-8
4. Melanie Peters - talked about STEAM Expo opportunities; STEAM passport w/stamps for drawing

Vice President: Natalie Lucero

1. DoT update - opt-out deadline 9-24; roll-out on 9-27

Treasurer: Emerald Holden

1. Treasurer's report - checks clearing form May uniform sale & Harvest Festival were recent expenses; current checking balance as of 8/31/19 is \$12,080 & savings balance is \$27767

Secretary: Sara Hope & Taryn Peine

1. Vote log update - see updated vote log on PTO page
2. Open positions-Sweetheart Ball Committee Manager

Fundraising Coordinator: Julia Porterfield

1. Sponsorship (Denise Battista) - sponsorship change up this year; full sponsorships & half-year sponsorships; as of today we are at \$18,500 for the year for sponsorships
2. Spirit Night (Jessica Grund)- Coldstone Creamery is 10-1-19 from 4-7 pm; Parry's Pizza for November

3. BENefit Bash Update - online bidding starts Sunday 10-20; extra dress of choice for 75% of each class registered in PTA Pal (registration in PTA Pal is free); auctions, VIP & After Party options; Academy Awards costume contest
4. Fundraising Committee Update - Julia misspoke at previous meeting about previously voting on cessation of small group fundraising; that has been remedied-vote has been taken

Room Parent Coordinators: Lauren Flint & Amanda Trenck

1. Halloween Parties - on the 31st
2. Field Day Shirts - will reach out to K-5 parents via Room Parent emails for field day t-shirt sizing (Google Form will be utilized for this); Mollie said to follow-up w/Mrs. Crespo for middles school sizes

Social Coordinator: Lynsey Humphries

1. Harvest Festival wrap-up - Gwen put on her last Harvest Festival (excellent job); 38 free kid tickets given away to families who met their 30 hours; made \$4085; over 1000 people in attendance
2. Sweetheart Ball - January 25th; Special Adult/Boy Dance

*Open comments: Brad Staib (Ben Brigade representative)-asked about greenhouse; spoke of The Big Green & Learning Gardens (curriculum?)

BFA Upcoming Events:

- 9-26-19 Ben's Brigade Meeting
- 9-26-19 Goodies with Grandparents
- 9-26-19 SAC Meeting
- 9-27-19 STEAM Expo
- 10-01-19 Cold Stone Spirit Night
- 10-01-19 CEC Meeting
- 10-8-19 Parent-Teacher Conferences (Spirit Wear Sales)
- 10-8-19 BFA Board of Directors Meeting
- 10-10-19 Parent-Teacher Conferences (Spirit Wear Sales)
- 10-10-19 Finance Committee Meeting
- 10-23-19 PTO Meeting**