

# General Membership Meeting

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February 27, 2019 @ 9:30 AM

**A. Call to Order & Welcome** – Elizabeth Benson, PTA President

- ) Looking for new leaders and volunteers

**B. Principal's Update** – Anna Ferratusco

- ) Fence update: all approved, will begin in late May/early June and finish over the summer
- ) Looking into more badge readers for entrance into the library for safety reasons
- ) Standardized testing has been pushed out later this year into April and May
- ) There will be some Wednesdays coming up that there will not be early dismissal
- ) The back field where the portables have been removed will be fixed and re-sodded by the end of March by the County
- ) On 3/8 a new state-of-the-art sound system will be installed on the stage; funded by the Bobcat Fund

**C. Officer Reports**

- ) Past Initiatives – Stephanie Harley, Past PTA President
  - ) Garden Update-has been updated at cost by Carroll Bradford Homes.
    1. There will be a spring harvest
    2. Ultimate goal is to have a Garden Club and build it into the curriculum
- ) Budget Report – Elise Knaus, Treasurer
  - ) Distributed budget; current balance is \$114,742.
- ) Fundraising – Ashley Brown, VP of Fundraising
  - ) Boosterthon Recap-made over \$22,000 and will be used for various school improvements
- ) Community Events – Devin Qureshi, VP of Community Events (Elizabeth Benson spoke)
  - ) Skate Night, March 6, 6:15-8:15 - looking for volunteers to help promote
  - ) Had a very successful and fun movie night last week
- ) Baldwin Cares – Mandy Borkman, VP of Community Relations
  - ) Helps the homeless students/families at BPES through clothing drives, food drives, book fair money, birthday cupcakes, etc.
  - ) With extra donations, able to also help Glenridge families in need and donate to Catholic Charities

**D. Committee Chair Reports**

- ) Spring Fest – Brie Sands, Spring Fest Chair
  - ) Friday, April 12 – Save the Date!

1. A carnival with rides, games, food, bounce houses, etc.
  2. Not a fundraiser but are looking for sponsors
- ) Sign-ups-still need volunteers
  - ) Book Fair, begins 3/1 – Saralyn Rodriguez or Robyn Keifer (Elizabeth Benson spoke)
    - ) Family Night 5-7pm: ice cream truck, crafts, Dinosaur themed
    - ) Sign-ups being sent out, looking for volunteers
  - ) 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Party – Niki Tringas (Elizabeth Benson spoke)
    - ) An awards ceremony, then send-off party
    - ) Asking for donations
  - ) Teacher Appreciation in May – Amy Ballenger (Elizabeth Benson spoke)
    - ) Sign-ups will be coming out for volunteers

#### **E. New Business**

- ) PTA Leadership 2019-20 Nominating Committee Vote
  - ) Elise Knaus, Stephanie Harley, Ashley Brown, Elizabeth Benson, Priti Shaw, Cama Piccini, Jessica Barrows, Amy Ballenger, Myriam Rodriguez, Jennifer Muntean (alternate)
    1. Stephanie Harley moved to vote, Brie Sands seconded and approved by all
- ) Leadership/Volunteer Form on our website: [BaldwinParkPTA.org/volunteer](http://BaldwinParkPTA.org/volunteer)
- ) Budget Amendments Vote
  - ) Sun Shade over ¼ of basketball courts, costing \$55,700
  - ) Elise Knaus moved to approve budget as stated, Stephanie Harley seconded and all approved
- ) Talent Show coming up on 4/30; student led

#### **F. Adjournment at 10:13**

*Next General Membership Meeting: May 2, 6:00pm*

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- ) March 2: Smile Mile
- ) March 6: Skate Night
- ) March 1-8: Book Fair
  - o March 8: Family Night
- ) April 1-5: Spring Break Clothing Drive
- ) April 12: Spring Fest
- ) April 30: Talent Show