



# BROOKE ELEMENTARY

## HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

### MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES for September 21, 2015

Number of people in attendance: 17

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Tara Grotto called the meeting to order at 6:58 PM.
- **ART GOES TO SCHOOL:** Suzzie Skillen
  - An overview of the program was presented to those in attendance.
  - Program tries to show children what they would experience at a museum. Totally a volunteer program.
  - Goes through what can you do and can't you do at a museum
  - Portfolio of about 20 types of paintings
  - Staff ranges from young mothers to retirees
  - Appreciate support that we provide
  - Anyone interested in volunteering they would love. Some school districts in our area don't have enough support and programs may be ending. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the year is tomorrow am.
  - Contact Kirsten if interested
- **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:** Mary Pat Long
  - Thanks for the first teacher day breakfast. Mrs. Druckenmiller and Mrs. Svensen always take such good care of us!
  - New staff:
    - Mrs. Katie Bates-school counselor
    - Mrs. Linda Ipri-school nurse
    - Mrs. Deb Dietrich-learning support teacher
    - Ms. Nicki Schwenk-3<sup>rd</sup> grade LTS teacher
    - Ms. Kara Borzillo-instructional assistant
    - Ms. Ashley Swier-instructional assistant
  - New position:
    - Mrs. Nancy Daly- was 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, now instructional support teacher
  - Teachers were excited to see the WISH LIST was back! Thanks for doing this again.
  - New procedures/policy:
    - Clearances- MUST have them in before any interactive student encounter. There will be changes to structure of American Education week. If unsure if all clearances have been received you can email Mrs. Dilks.
    - Raptor by itself will only be used for attending concerts or observing/not interacting in classrooms
  - Past/present events:
    - Beginning of year benchmark assessments underway: 4Sights, AIMSweb, Fountas & Pinnell
    - AIMSweb used before for some students, now for all-replaces DIBELS
    - All students settling into school routines
    - New projectors delivered for rooms where math instruction takes place and no SMART board
  - Future happenings:
    - Pro-social-Month by month focus under Mrs. Bates guidance
    - Free trees!
    - Picture day September 30<sup>th</sup>
    - H&S interactive projector installation
    - Report cards core aligned
    - Interest in overview of core shifts?
- **TEACHER'S REPORT:** Mr. Laurie
  - Thank you for first day breakfast.

- Very thankful for classroom funds (he already spent his) and for Wish List.
  - Thank parents who came out for back to school night.
  - 2015-16 edition of Math does require a good deal of online work. ConnectED has a ton of good materials. Copy of math homework if kids forget. McGraw Hill created some basic presentations. If absent could technically review basic presentation and get the overall concept of the lesson. If your child's teacher hasn't sent anything home yet feel free to contact the teacher directly.
- **CO-PRESIDENTS' REPORT:**
    - Spirit Sticks (at school store once a month kids can purchase, grams throughout the year). At Fall festival we will do a Boo Gram (Halloween specific)
    - After we get this round of first year student rings and sticks out we can look at inventory to see what we need to order and price.
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Fall Festival is October 9<sup>th</sup>. Email went out to those that offered to volunteer.
    - School store chairperson is needed. During the meeting Michelle Christie offered to fill this position!!
  - **RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Tara Grotto
    - Minutes from last meeting of May 2015 are posted to the website. Motion to pass the May minutes approved by Roseann Stadler and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tracey Finney
  - **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Heather H
    - First Day of school pictures were well received on the Home and School Facebook page. Website has been updated will try to keep it active.
    - Boosterthon is about 5 weeks away.
      - Concept created by husband and wife team to replace fundraiser with fitness and character (the big world recess).
      - Daily themes for 6 days in classroom.
      - Kick off with pep rally (teacher one first to get goodies for kids).
      - Raise money through final event "Brooke Big World Recess Day". Funds will go to projector in gym.
      - For each classroom \$30 raised a pair of shoes goes to another child in another country. This is from the sponsor of the event not Brooke Elementary.
      - Pep rally each day will be 1<sup>st</sup> few minutes of recess
      - Two weeks prior communications will come home.
      - Children should not feel bad if they are unable to collect donations
      - A survey including teacher feedback will be distributed after the completion of the event.
  - **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Shannon
    - Motion to pass was made by Andrea Straka and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tara Grotto
    - Hit target for Family Contributions

- **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Art Fundraiser:** Shannon Dauphin

- This year's Art fundraiser is through KidsArt, Inc. Parents will have the opportunity to purchase their child's art on stationery. The students have been working on designing their own personal Note Card in art class with Mrs. Witts. Their designs will be completed this cycle. Be on the lookout! In another week or two, students will be coming home with their designed Note card along with an order form. If interested in ordering, the Note card must be returned to school along with the order form and payment. There is a 6-week turn around time so orders will arrive before the holiday season.

**Basket Raffle:** Jamie Moretz & Heather Reiter

- Until a decision is made regarding when to hold the basket raffle, donations are on hold

**Beautification:** Lynne Lombardo

- Fall decorations including hay bales and cornstalks will be put up outside the front of school later this month.

**Book Fair:** Michelle Christie

- Book Fair will be 11/14/15-11/20/15. Pizza night the 18<sup>th</sup>. Shopping days/hours TBD. Attending Scholastic meeting on 9/25/15, school will receive 100 scholastic dollars for attendance and it will be used to purchase preview books. Theme of Fall Book Fair will be "Monsters, Reading Is So Much Fun You Will Get Goosebumps" Volunteers will be needed for setup, cashier and closing.

**Boosterthon:** Cynthia Doyle and Heather Hungate

- Update provided during Corresponding Secretary update

**Box Tops:** Andrea Straka

- Fall submission is due 11/2. Send out submit now thru mid October. Fall and Spring drive (do we want to do incentive for classroom spirit stick Box Tops).
- Two people to help sort needed

**Color Me Fun Run (CMFR):** Roseann Stadler

- Date will be March 19<sup>th</sup>, rain date of the 20<sup>th</sup>. Filing out use of facility form this week.

**Directory/T-shirts:** Shannon Dauphin and Lynne Lombardo (

- Please return blue forms

**Family (Bingo) Night:** Debbie Reigh

**Fourth Grade Celebration:** Alison Holt-Kalish

**Gift Card Sales:** Heather Reiter

**Olympic Day:** Alison Holt-Kalish

**Publicity:** Heather Hungate

- Update provided during Corresponding Secretary's update

**Restaurant Nights:** Heather Reiter

**Santa's Secret Shoppe:** OPEN

**School Store:** OPEN

- Michelle Christie offered to take on this role

**Spirit Wear:** Lauren Drakely

- Thinking of also having in person purchases in addition to form

**Teacher/ Staff Appreciation:** Katie Druckenmiller, Dawn Svendsen

- The Teacher Appreciation Committee provided a Back to School Breakfast for the teachers and staff on their first day back to school in August. We will continue to do approximately one event a month; either provide a meal or a token of our appreciation.

**Winter Family Festival:** OPEN

**Yearbook:** Shannon Dauphin and Lynne Lombardo

- **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **ADJOURNMENT:**

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM
- Motion to pass was made by Melinda Eck and seconded by Michelle Christie

\*\*\*\*THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD November 9,2015. \*\*\*\*