



**Braeside Elementary PTO Meeting – General Meeting
September 3, 2021**

Attendance:

Exec Board:

Carly Jones – 4th Weissman, 5th Lieberman (exec)
Kirk Moore – 3rd Winkler, 5th Lieberman (exec)
Carly Linton – 2nd Bayless (exec)
Ashley Kelly – 2nd Bayless (exec)
Abby Daniel – 2nd Urquiza, K Walsh (exec)
Karina DeHayes – 4th Simon (exec)
Agi Semrad – 4th Weissman (exec)
Allie Davidson 1st Rossman (exec)

Exec Board Attending Virtually:

Sofia Konstantinou
Rebecca Kristall
Kisha Mani

Exec Board Not Attending:

Lesley Kiferbaum

General Members:

Kristi Forehand – 1st Footlik, 3rd Bakal
Melanie Boyd – 1st Footlik, 2nd Urquiza, 5th Lieberman
Cara Hoffberg – 4th Simon
Mark Niedzielski and Alejandra Montes – 2nd Prestinario
Brittney Zelwin – 5th Loebekka
Amalia Drury – 2nd Urquiza
Leigh Weisz – 5th Loebekka, 2nd Prestinario
Blair Miller – 4th Weissman, 2nd Footlik, K Joseph
Marcela Levin – 2nd Prestinario, K Walsh
Jacki Block – K Walsh
Mayra Chambers – Sail Welch
Sarah Catanese – 1st Rossman
Tiffany Smith – 4th Weissman, 2nd Urquiza, K Josepeh
Hillary Heyden – 2nd Bakal, K Joseph

1. Call to Order

2. Principal's Report – Jamie Kahn

a. Welcome Back

*behavior expectations explained in grade level assembly (PAWS tix, school store)

*bobcat bulletin will be out by mid-day Friday

b. Governor's Executive Order – Vaccination requirements

*anybody volunteering needs to show actual card the first day

*identisis is unrelated you need to do if you have never volunteered in building

c. Covid testing – Need to opt In – Starting week of September 8

*shield per IDPH will be 1 time a week, don't know day yet

*no eating or drinking 45 minutes before

*208/269 students have opted in

*no news is good news

*testing hopefully aligned to specials schedule

*if pos test they will contact trace

*close contact has to quarantine (less than 3 ft)

*Mrs. Kahn, will follow up if you need a PCR after shield test

*technically only close contact is on the bus

3. President's Report – Carly Jones and Kirk Moore

a. Welcome

i. Introduction to PTO Board

ii. Parent introductions

b. President Council's Updates

i. Volunteers

1. Need to be vaccinated – will require proof of vaccination prior to September 5

2. All visitors masked

3. For outdoor events, need to be masked or maintain 6 feet distance

ii. Equity Audit

1. Findings and next steps

*some schools much better off

*try to make thing affordable, we have angel fund for food days

iii. Protocols for confirmed cases

c. Volunteer needs

i. Back to School Bash

*need volunteers, 30 min-hour

*sign-up genius

- *questions ask Karina or Jen
- ii. Committee chairs – Yearbook, Bobcat Birthdays
 - *Bobcat Birthdays (Rental signs) Yearbook needed ASAP
- iii. Room parents – call for volunteers - week of September 8
 - *room parents fill out google form, will not be classroom parties)
 - classroom activities, collect money
 - *if room parents last year, will give opportunity to people who were not last year first
- iv. Board co-treasurer
 - *still need
- v. Food Days
 - *food days volunteer is 11:00-12:30, let Allie or Kirk know if you can't do that time
 - *volunteer sign up for lunch will be monthly
 - *window for October is September 15, will be allowed to volunteer 2x a month
 - *help supervise after food passed out (don't sit down with students)
 - *food only goes to who ordered
 - *lunch calendar doesn't go to app, but can be downloaded to the calendar
 - *if bringing food leave in the vestibule
- d. Fifth Grade Gift
 - *give two ideas (gaga pit 3500, or stencils for playground)
 - *don't know about party yet
 - *will do sweets fundraiser

4. Treasurer's Report – Rebecca Kristall

- a. Update
 - *30,000 in bank
 - *11 families did Bobcat birthday over the summer
 - *25 wristbands for back to school bash sold so far
 - *236 families paid the activity fee (making sure no angel fee families)

5. Webmaster's Report – Leslie Hirschfeld and Abby Daniel

- a. Process for having emails sent or information posted on social media
 - *Facebook groups Braeside parent is not school run, Braeside PTO private only families with current students
 - *any reminders: you can either send a flyer or ask them to make give 24-48 hours notice
 - *if you make the best format is jpeg
 - *also send reminders to Mrs. Kahn
 - *we don't post for anything that is not PTO related
 - *anything outside school off needs to be approved by district office

6. VP of Ways and Mean's Report – Agi Semrad and Sofia Konstantinou

- a. Fundraising updates
 - *send ideas to Agi for fundraising
- b. **Food Days – Kirk Moore and Allie Davidson**
 - i. Updates
- c. **Spirit Wear – Allie Davidson and Kristi Forehand**
 - i. Fall campaign updates
 - *will have sample sizes at the Bash
- d. **Back to School Bash – Karina DeHayes and Jen Rosen**
 - i. Update
 - *lunch please order ahead of time
 - *cash only day of event
 - *September 18 is the deadline
 - ii. Volunteer needs
- e. **Book Fair – Carly Jones and Cara Hoffberg**
 - i. Dates – November 16-18 (tentatively in person)
- f. **Restaurant Nights – Cara Hoffberg**
 - i. BYG – September 21
 - ii. Michaels – October 5
 - iii. Cluckers – TBD

7. VP of Admins – Lesley Kiferbaum, Karina DeHayes, Ashley Kelly

- a. Room Parent updates
- b. Classroom parties – TBD

8. Other Business

- *School supplies for angel families were covered by families
- *will send a google form for spirit wear ideas
- *Oct 15 is next exec board meeting

9. Adjournment