

Big Flats Elementary School

BFES PTO Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2019

Big Flats Elementary School Library

1. Review October Meeting Minutes
 - a. October Minutes approved
2. Treasurer Report
 - a. Asking for a teacher list to see who has used their PTO teacher funds and who has not. List will be emailed.
 - b. Save Around total amount does NOT include the cost of the books. New amount will be reported next PTO meeting
3. Business Items
 - a. Spirit Wear – Total sales are at \$859. Does not include cost of items. Orders November 7th.
 - b. Completed Events
 - i. Color Run - October 10th went well, suggested 2 chair people on events going forward.
 - ii. Picture Day-October 17th Finished early, suggested 3 volunteers for next year.
 - c. Upcoming Events
 - i. Veteran’s Day Wall of Heroes Submissions due by Tuesday, November 12th. Will leave up until Tuesday, November 26th.
 - ii. Spelling Bee -November 19th. Spell down’s are done need 3-4 volunteers, will set up on SignUp Genius.
 - Book Fair- Total amount was \$6,258.47. Discussed if we take “scholastic bucks” school will receive 50% of the total, or 25% if opted for cash. Waiting upon further info. Will revisit at next meeting.
 - iii. Scripps Gift Card Fundraiser- Need to order \$1,000 worth of gift cards to make it worth the shipping cost. Orders would be due by December 5th Info should go out 11/12/19 to place orders and explain the program.
 - iv. Holiday Giving Tree (All of December)
 - Ideas that were presented:
 - ❖ First Responder Baskets
 - ❖ Comfort Cases – Foster care backpacks that have stuffed animals, pjs, toiletries, etc. to be given to a child who enters foster care home. Will speak with local CPS. - Approved
 - ❖ Ronald McDonald House
 - d. Looking Ahead

- i. Innovation Fair- January 14th, 2020. Fliers to be sent before winter break.
 - ii. Winter Fest – February 7th, 2020. Will have a HEAD chairperson to oversee all the other chairperson(s) in all aspects of the event.
 - iii. Author Visit- Reached out to local author Daniel Jude Miller. He has been to our school previous (3 years ago). Cost would be \$600 for the day to have him come OR if we purchased each student a book it would cost us \$8/book per student, \$600 would be waived. Has 3-4 new books and would bring a poster for each student. Order forms would be available for families to order books if not purchased for the students. The books would then be \$10/book.
- d. Enrichment Activities
 - i. Sky Gymnastics – Proposal needs to be discussed with Dr. Douglas. Moved to discuss in December
 - ii. BFES Pool Night @ HHHS Pool-Needs to be discussed with Dr. Douglas due to construction. Will bring it up in December.
- e. Teacher Educational Tool Requests
 - i. Request proposal form was presented.
 - ii. Will create line item next year for additional funds for the teachers.
 - iii. Add a deadline to the form suggested.
- f. Site Base Team Updates- No new updates this month.
 - i. Thoughtful Thursdays are being implemented throughout the school to help students channel their feelings.
- g. Parent Council
 - h. Construction at the high school.
 - ii. An Honor/Behavior Code was brought up based on behavior at dances(High School and Middle School)
 - iii. Monthly/bi-monthly trainings for substitute teachers so they can be up to date on procedures inside of the school in case of emergencies.