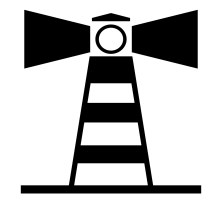
**Team Bates PTO**

*“No one can do everything, but everyone can do something”*

**Team Bates Meeting - Minutes**

January 10th, 2019 at 7:00pm Location: Bates Media Center

* **Opening and welcome**:
  + Introductions *(5 minutes)*
  + Our final PTO meeting at Bates Elementary!
* **Principal Update**: Ryan Bruder *(20 minutes)*
  + Notes from Beacon info night will go out soon
  + It is ok to walk kids in for first two weeks
  + Parents of students with special needs can request early access if we get the go ahead to enter the building prior to the actual first day at Beacon
  + January 24-25 will be drop off at Beacon with activities together with Anchor kids
  + Principal fund requests/grant requests:
    - $600 - $700 – assemblies on January 23-25
      * Gordo the Magician
      * Laura Raynor – Storyteller
    - $300 - $400 – Dexter Early Elementary shifts for staff
    - $1,200 - $1,500 – Beacon Elementary shirts for students to be worn on first day at Beacon Elementary
    - $400 – for meals for Bates staff on January 24-25
    - MOTION to APPROVE ALL ABOVE FUNDING – passed unanimously
  + Staffing update
    - Mrs. Sarver retired and was replaced by Sarah Kirkwood
* **Team Bates/CPTG**: Nina Plasencia *(10 minutes)*
  + Update on PTO merge
    - Groups have met three times
    - There will be a Town Hall to discuss options on Feb 27th which will replace previously scheduled 2/14 Team Bates meeting
    - Feb. 27 6:30 – 7:00 Team Bates meeting
    - Feb. 27 7:00 - 7:45 – Town Hall with Anchor and Beacon families
    - Voting on merge will take place at Team Bates March meeting
  + March meeting will be in Beacon Media Center on March 14 from 7:00 – 8:00
* **Zap Zone :** Will Liska *(5 minutes)*
  + January 17 from 5:30 – 8:30
  + Volunteers needed
  + Joint event with Cornerstone
  + May want to park across the street at the movie theater, consider dropping kids off to avoid them crossing major road
  + $20 per person and it includes 2 pieces of pizza and water
  + Non ticketed people can have pizza too
* **Movie Night**: Jennifer Sharp, Nina Plasencia *(5 minutes)*
  + Friday, February 22
  + Joint Movie Night with Anchor and Beacon Elementary, more details to come soon
* **March is Reading Month**
  + Fairy Tales overall theme– weekly themes are Three Billy Goats Gruff, Jack and the Beanstalk, Hansel and Gretel
  + Book fairy will deliver books to classes
  + Doors only for decorating – proposed dates March 2-3
  + Book fair the week of March 4 for both Anchor and Beacon – may use an empty classroom
* **Current volunteer opportunities**: Nina Plasencia *(2 minutes)*
  + Watch D.O.G.S. – ongoing, will continue at Beacon
  + Therapaws – Mondays from 1:00 -2:00 p.m. ongoing
  + Zap Zone – January 17th
  + Movie Night – coming soon!
  + Moving – need help for teachers and logistics as a whole school – see Beacon for google doc
* **Chair Updates:** *(2 minutes)*
  + Box Tops – Caroline Ashenfelter –
    - $720 in last round
    - March is next deadline
  + Fundraising (Busch’s My Way, Dine to Donate) – Alicia Jensen
    - Kalahari was good, should have check by next meeting
    - Busch’s you need reregister again each year
  + Staff Appreciation – Nicole Cochran
    - Cookie exchange was good
    - Jan will be goodies from Zingermans
    - School Board Appreciation Month – we should send a note and maybe gift
    - Sending coffee and donuts and thank you note to Anchor teachers for hosting our kids during the move
      * MOTION to APPROVE FUNDING – passed unanimously
  + Webmaster – Casey Liska
    - Will add Beacon picture after the move
  + Yearbook – Ashley Hopkins, Brittney McClain
    - Feb 22 is the last day to order
    - Picture deadline is March, please get some at Zap Zone if you go
* **Grant Update**
  + Rolled over unused money from last year into general fund
  + $2,750 in grants available – no applications yet
  + March 8 deadline for next wave of grants
  + $20,000 legacy – may hold off until we see if we are merging
    - Possibly consider shade or benches for the playground
  + Remind teachers they each have $150 per class to spend
* **Budget Update**
  + $23,000 from Bates Blast
  + $54,000 balance
  + $294 profit from movie night
  + We can do a petty cash advance from Heidi – give 2 weeks notice
* **Open Discussion**:
  + Plant a tree on behalf of every class
  + Can we create a google drive area with all of the documents from each event
  + School directory to promote community
    - Must be sponsored by the PTO not the school
    - Offer opt out
    - Maybe have it at Open House
* **Next Meeting**: Thursday, February 27th  6:30 – 7:00 Team Bates, 7:00 – 7:45 Town Hall with Anchor