

## BVMS PTO Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2020 3pm

Via Zoom due to COVID-19

### In attendance:

President Libby Meier, Vice President Valerie Wilkerson, Treasurer Cindy Maddux and Principal Matt Gallatin

### Call to order:

Valerie Wilkerson called meeting to order and made introductions to the new Principal, Mr. Matt Gallatin.

### Principal Report:

Mr. Gallatin reported a smooth transition to the middle school. 98 students have chosen to continue school virtually this semester. 5 teachers from the school are teaching online so will not be teaching in person. Student schedules will be out soon. Mr. Gallatin reported that the district has lost \$638,000 of government support due to COVID-19.

### Secretary Report:

Secretary Anastasia O'Quinn resigned over the summer.

### Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Cindy Maddux has reported that the PTO bank account stands at \$10,351.23. Also, our tax-exempt status has been reinstated. There have been some problems with our current bank, First Commonwealth, with privacy issues. As a group we have decided to wait until we get new officers before voting to change banks.

### Old Business

In discussion of the Budget for 2020-21 school year, there are questions about what the PTO will need to support. Due to COVID-19, most of the student events the PTO helps to support will not happen (teacher dinners for parent/teacher conferences, dances, talent show, science fair, 6th grade camp, 8th grade DC field trip).

An idea was put forward to provide teacher lunches during Teacher In School work days.

Vice President Valerie Wilkerson made Mr. Gallatin aware of the COVID-19 Family fund the PTO set aside in April 2020 of \$500.

The school is still providing breakfast and lunches on student's online learning days for those who qualify for free or reduced lunches.

First Day School Sale was taken advantage of by 4 6th grade students, 3 7th grade students and 2 8th grade students. PTO was a little late to get the sale started, we can keep in mind to start earlier next spring.

Secretary Cindy Maddux reminded us that we have a lot of concessions left over from the last dance (soda and candy). PTO can use the sodas for the teacher and staff luncheon we are hosting on Monday, August 24. Mr. Gallatin proposed using the remainder of the candy as student incentives at lunchtime or in the classrooms. PTO was all in agreement of the idea.

New Business:

Teacher/Staff luncheon will take place Monday, August 24 with the lunch not to exceed \$300 motioned by President Libby Meier and passed by Secretary Cindy Maddux. Vice President Valerie Wilkerson will get an order ready through Hungry Howie's in Delaware and Treasurer Cindy Maddux will complete the transaction.

Teacher T-Shirts. The PTO wants to supply spirit t-shirts to the teachers this year. Mr. Gallatin proposed the idea to have a yearly t-shirt designed by students and staff. He will talk with some teachers and the art teacher to start this process and we are tabling the rest of the discussion until our next PTO meeting. It was brought to our attention that we need to use a company that has the rights to the Buckeye Valley logo. Once we have an approved design, we can take that design to those companies that have the rights and price shop. PTO will also look at prices for masks at this time as well.

Fundraising for the 2020-21 school year will look different than it has in the past. We talked about the added difficulty of traditional fundraising since there are no visitors allowed in the school and that we are not exactly sure what events the PTO needs to support with any monies raised. Vice President Valerie Wilkerson brought forward an all online fundraising option from Shop With Scrip. Motion to approve made by President Libby Meier and passed by Treasurer Cindy Maddux.

Discussion:

The PTO will advertise for replacement officers. President Libby Meier will step down, but stay on board or try to be available for voting purposes until a replacement is found. PTO needs a new secretary.

Next meeting date is Monday, September 14 at 4:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.