

Brecknock PTO Minutes

Date | time 12/1/2021 6:30 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Steven McNabb

In Attendance

Mr. Kopetsky, Steve McNabb, Brandy Neto, Amy Payne, Lex McNabb, Steph Spayd, Cortney Keller, Sarah Friedman, Alyce Gerhart

Principal's Report

Holiday Spirit Month

- For December – a different theme for each month
- Prizes for staff who participate as well

Golden Objects

- Classrooms will win opportunities to display these objects for different kinds of positive behavior (respectful in specials, cafeteria, etc)
- Also green Horseshoes for classrooms doing a great job at positive behavior in class, specials, cafeteria, etc.

Teachers' Reports

Cortney Keller

- Thank you for lunch! – Ally Curry would like to know who made the chilli
- Gifts/gift cards for families in need?
 - Mr. K will need to check into what is needed/wanted
 - Shillington Social Quarters has space in their budget to help – need number by 12/12

Treasurer's Report

Income

- ~\$2000 from spirit wear

Business

Spirit Wear Paper Sale

- Lex put in a reorder for hoodies and long-sleeves with Distel – they will try to have to us by or before 12/17
- Amy has completed all orders and delivered to school

Holiday Shop – 12/8-12/10

- Steph Spayd, chair
- All boxes from Gifts 'N Things delivered – should be in PTO closet, Steph will inventory
- Letters and envelopes went home today
- Steph started shopping at dollar store in Sinking Spring – spent around \$800
 - Will take reimbursement after she's done shopping
- Mr. K will reach out to Mr. Collette about using gym to set up
 - Set up will be 12/7
- Amy will stock cash boxes
- There are bags in the closet for the shoppers to carry their things

- Steph may need to supplement gift bags
- Volunteers have started signing up

Read For My School – 1/10-1/30

- Lex McNabb, chair
- Fundraiser is started being set up
- Lex will email teachers to request one rep per grade
- Funds will be largely used to purchase books for book vending machine

Reading projects – Karen Smith’s initiatives

- “Grab and Go” book bags for families
 - Probably determined on a needs-based system, not for every student
 - Potentially costs over \$3000
- Literacy event for 2nd grade
 - All students read same book and keep afterwards
- Would also like to get more books into hands of incoming kindergartners
 - Build a “stockpile” of books for this and stocking book vending machine
- PTO thinks these are all doable

Outdoor classroom space

- Brandy spoke to architect – needs to get dimensions
- Property line still needs to be properly determined
 - Tim Ziegler looking into it – will also then cut back bushes to neaten area
 - A wall will also be constructed to give a firm base line

Book vending machine

- Sarah Friedman contacted MP co-president, but they have not moved forward yet
- Amy Payne will be asking MP building secretary to help out
- Brandy needs info for 12/12
 - We will look into getting a quote – Mr K will get
 - Also need to get MP’s tax ID #
- MP principal says that MP PTO did reach out to SSQ

Donations

- Have some kind of collaboration between PTOs for organizations interested in giving funds

Future meeting structure

- Would like to continue having in-person meetings with virtual option
 - Future projector in the library will be able to be used for that
 - Need to be able to connect reliably to get set-up

Display My Art

- Sarah Friedman, chair
- Made over \$1600

Next Meeting

12/1/2021 6:30 PM, Library

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