

BLAKELY PTO GENERAL MEETING
5/14/15 9:00 AM

1. Welcome

2. Principal's Report: Reese

Thank you for staff appreciation, teachers can't stop talking about it, they are so grateful.

Thank you this week to all the volunteers!

Celebrations: 4th grade SBA almost done! Ice cream celebration on Friday. 3rd grade done next week. 4th grade has outdoor ed next week, starting the transition to Sakai, class trip to Sakai.

Handout, new position additions:

Have had Warren Reid for .5 doing instructional coaching, helping with writing in the building. Have had HC for an hour a week – nice, but not enough. So next year we'll have 1.0 full time person, differentiation specialist, that will always be in the building. So 0.6 of time will be in the classroom for instruction for the building. The other 0.4 will be for HC, working with kids but also enriching curriculum for the entire classroom. This person will always be in the building, such a great addition to have someone always here. Takes the place of Warren and Cathy.

Intervention Support. Will now support Title 1, reading support down to the kindergarten level. Robin Stahl currently supports .8 time, but will go to K-4 coverage next year so may need to add more time.

STEAM – science pilot, funded by BSF. Diane Bedell will be teaching 3 days a week, 50 minutes of science each week in addition to regular classroom science.

Specialist schedule: Due to addition of Science specialist, can look at changing the rest of specialist schedule to 5 day plan! Great for parents, great for specialists. Specialists also won't have to travel between schools. Also would allow for all grade levels to have common planning. Nothing formally decided yet.

2. Guest Speaker: Mairead Shutt, new Executive Director for BSF

Has done fundraising for IslandWood for past 4 years. Seed Our Schools campaign has been sent out in the mail. Hope to raise 250,000. Working with the district, very excited about the 50 minutes of science, hoping to pilot it in 5th grade next. Excited to be supporting teachers for professional development, also support for Paraeducators. Will share on website when all the initiatives are formally in place.

4. Approval of January Minutes.

Tricia: motion to approve Michelle: 2nd. Approved.

5. Proposed 2015-2016 PTO Executive Board
Co-Presidents: Erin Cyger and Anna Steen
Treasurer: Lisa Timmins
Secretary: April Murray
Co-Volunteer: Lara Demos and Lee Muir
Grants Coordinator: Heidi Blair
Enrichment Coordinator: Tricia Kurtzman
Communications Coordinator: Dani Stoehr

Motion to approve next year's board: Lee Jen: 2nd. Approved

6. Other Key Positions
Auction Co-Chairs: Caroline Reed and Alli Schlif
Art Docent Coordinator: Lisa Timmins

7. 2015-2016 Budget posted on website, will be voted on at June 2015 meeting.

8. Other Business

Kiwanis Educator of the Year Nomination Form

Lisa: Auction date: will be Jan 23rd, because signing contract, putting down deposit.
Auction Art: Grossed about \$1100. 45 orders total. Half of families had not yet participated in auction, so it captured more of the Blakely community.

Anna: Lisa and Lee made sure all staff received Blakely trivia game as thank you.
Lisa and Cheryl Cain worked tirelessly on putting that game together.

Jen: Not doing the Mariner's night this year. Mariners have not been responsive, can't get a return call, unfortunately.