

# Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 14, 2024

- A. Principal's Report by Jenna Schuette- Opened meeting with welcome and introduction
  - a. Presented FCUSD LCAP goals and ways that we are trying to implement at BSE
  - b. BSE SPSA plan- Mrs. Schuette worked with BSE site council to develop this plan. Matches the goals of the FCUSD LCAP
    - i. Focusing on ways to increase engagement: LiveScan opportunity, increase assemblies, invite parents for Schuette's Stars monthly recognition
    - ii. BSE received \$22,000 supplemental funding. Will go toward additional paraeducator for +2.5 hours a day, hiring substitutes to give teachers 1 PLC release day to meet with their grade level partner for planning, hiring substitute teachers for ESBN (Every Student By Name) meeting days, field trip scholarships, and our Special Friends program
  - c. California School Dashboard website- Hope to improve our school standing in all categories this school year. You can visit the website to see how BSE is doing.
    - i. BSE 2023-2024 Celebrations/Wins: Absenteeism decreased, overall BSE math scores increased, science and ELA scores increased in some grades, and some english learner scores increased.
  - d. New Superintendent Swanson's priorities: 3<sup>rd</sup> grade literacy for all, middle school math skills, and increase % of students achieving A-G credits in HS. Words that Superintendent Swanson highlights: "excellence and improvement"

## B. Introduction and Welcome by President Ashley Ho

- a. Brief introduction by each current board member. This year's board members are Ashley Ho (President), Kara Lundquist (Vice President), Roxy Lockhart (Vice President), Donavon Gray (Treasurer), and Sara Montgomery (Secretary).
- b. Teachers & Staff- Ms. Di Nocco and Mrs. Butkus were in attendance. They will be our PTO teacher representatives for this school year. Thank you for joining us!
- c. Attending meetings is the best way to keep up with what's going on but not required to be a part of the PTO. There are many events that we would love your help with. Join the PTO at <a href="https://www.bsepto.org/join">www.bsepto.org/join</a>
- d. Meetings: 7-8pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday every month in the library (also on zoom)
- C. Motion to approve last meeting's minutes (May 15, 2024)- Kara Lundquist moved to approve w/o changes, 2nd by Jen McKinney
- D. What is PTO and How to be Involved- Non-profit organization that's here to make the school a better place for parents, teachers, students, and families.
  - a. New website: <a href="https://www.bsepto.org">www.bsepto.org</a> (BIG thank you to our VP Kara for creating this!)
    - i. Bookmark our website for quick access to ALL PTO information
  - b. FB and IG: facebook.com/blanchesprentzpto; Instagram.com/blanchesprentzpto

## E. Treasurer's Report by Donavon Gray

a. Copies of our preliminary 2024-2025 budget are available for members to view. They show how money has been budgeted from funds left over from last year and

- used to cover events and items already purchased up to this point this school year. We will continue using the preliminary report until after the Bear Run fundraiser.
- b. We will approve an official 2024-2025 budget for the remainder of the school year after the Bear Run takes place.
- c. Some changes to preliminary budget- One assembly has been cancelled. We have also received a grant for a Ruby Bridges Walk. We should be receiving \$750 for this event to be held on 11/14 to honor Ruby Bridges.
- d. Contact Donavon at <u>Treasurer@bsepto.org</u> with any budget/treasurer questions.
- e. Transparency is very important to us, documents are always available.

#### F. President's Report by Ashley Ho

- a. Past events: PTO has already done a lot for our school this year. Big thank you to Jen McKinney for painting numbers outside of classrooms and making our garden look so nice! The PTO board has also already held a new student tour, teacher luncheon, BTS PS/TK events, and a kinder playdate. Thank you to Erika and Kate for decorating for the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school. Those very cute decorations have been saved for future use. We are also excited that the PTO shed has been moved to a more accessible location.
  - i. Future meetings: discuss additional teacher requests (painting more numbers, etc.)
- b. Upcoming Events: PTO runs a lot of fun events at our school. We'd love for you to check out our calendar and try to plan ahead to see where you can help.
  - i. Spirit Wear and Popsicle Sales on Fridays in August (volunteers needed)
  - ii. BTS Picnic this Friday, 8/16- Thank you to all that are signed up to help. Volunteers are still needed for watermelon cutting.
  - iii. Dine & Donate: Setup by Jamie Bracht. 1x per month, we contract with a restaurant that kicks back some money to our school. Keep an eye out for those dates. This month's: Skipolini's on August 22
  - iv. Bear Run- Our biggest fundraiser of the school year (about 98% of budget comes from this event). Start spreading the word.
    - 1. September 27<sup>th</sup> Chaired by Jen McKinney (Mario theme this year)
    - 2. Many volunteer opportunities: help with planning ahead of event, setup/takedown day of, run stations during the event (8am-12ish).
    - 3. Still need company sponsorships if you own/know a business that may be interested. You get your company logo/advertising on the shirts. Every kid/volunteer receives one and they are worn/seen around town. Company sponsorships help pay for event costs such as the shirts, so that all money raised can go directly to the school.
    - 4. Jen is exploring a possible new lap tracking system this year. TBD
- c. Tentative PTO Schedule- Calendars always have date on the bottom indicating when it was updated. Check to make sure you're using our most current calendar.
- d. Room parents needed. If interested let us or your child's teacher know.

#### G. Opens

a. We are looking for someone with a drone willing to get an aerial picture of our campus for us to use in event planning, etc. Let us know if you can help with this.

Next meeting: September 11, 2024 7:00pm in the library and on Zoom (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month) Zoom link will be on our website bsepto.org