

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting September 13th, 2010

Call to order 6:32pm

Introduction of officers and attendees

Officer Reports

May minutes distributed and accepted

Treasury Report - May to Aug. deficit due to leftover expenses. Fireworks income \$1620.38.

Thank you's - Linda Longshaw for school supply drive, volunteers who helped with fireworks stand and Bookfair/Ice Cream Social, Girl Scouts for babysitting services.

PTO Registrations - to date total 55.

New Business

Website - up and functioning! Thanks to Nicole Mandina. (cbepto.org)

T- Shirts - for sale until Friday, Sept. 17th. Order forms available in office.

Ice Cream Social - served 160 hamburgers, 96 hot dogs, 150 bags of chips, 200 cups of ice cream. Received \$172.25 in PTO donations. Thank you Steve Koontz for grilling!

Directory - Goal is to distribute by Oct. 1st. We have around 17 paid ads so far. Extra copies of directory will be available for \$2.00 ea. Discussion to bind with a heavier cover this year.

PTO Accounting Software – Looking for affordable software. Please forward ideas to Sandy Koontz. Hope to vote on accepting during October meeting.

PTO Storage Room - Clean out day coming soon. Check website for details

Fall Fund Raiser - Using JT Enterprises Gather Family Together and Cookie Dough catalogs. Will run Oct. 1st - Oct. 11th. Delivery mid November. Possible projects for funds raised are sailcloth for porch behind library, new sign for school, youth furniture for lobby and 3rd & 4th grade hallway.

Committee Descriptions – Review of committees and their responsibilities. Request for volunteers circulated at meeting. Thursday moms will remain Thursday only for now. Would like to reinstate Grant Coordinator and Family Fun Night Coordinator. Still in need of Room Mom Coordinator.

Committee Reports

Teacher Updates - Julie Scott FAB update. T-shirts and photos on September 24th for 30 FAB families. Need at least two photographers. Please contact Julie if you know of someone. PTO approved covering \$150 deficit for t-shirt expenses. Thank you Ron Gillham for hanging pictures of FAB families.

Discussion of words being added to photo display. Welcome to Sarah Young, new 1st Grade teacher. Michelle Herrmann - Early planning stages of "Roar with Pride" showcase in place of current unused trophy case. Will need volunteers to coordinate. Please contact Mrs. Herrmann if you are interested.

Library Update - Book Fair total \$4620.00 translating to \$1600.00 profit for CBE. PTO approved purchase of memory cards for cameras.

Counselor Report - Testing begins this week for 2nd thru 6th grade. STUCO elections for 4th-6th grade are coming up soon.

Principal Update - Current enrollment is 227 students (70 less than last year). Class average is 13-17 students. Reminded parents to please remain in lobby when picking up children at end of day.

Boxtops - first deadline is in October and will be announced. Need three Tyson labels to collect \$250. Please contact Nicole Mandina if you have any. Mrs. Gahagan looking into Sunny D labels.

Landscaping - First project is to replace dead plants in front of school, 2nd project will be plants around the bell. Thursday Moms will dedicate the 1st hour of the 1st Thursday of the month to landscaping. Hoping to get children involved in the spring. Lowe's is available for classroom presentations.

PTO Secret Pals –Carrie Messmore will remain coordinator. Some names drawn at meeting. Contact Carrie if you would like to participate.

Cartridge Recycling, Teacher Appreciation, Writing Contest – no update at current time.

Calendar – Oct. 4th PTO meeting, Oct. 1st Fundraiser Kickoff, Sept. 24th FAB day, Sept. 27th no school

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting October 4th, 2010

Call to order 6:38pm

Welcome and introductions

Officer Reports

September minutes distributed and accepted

Treasury Report - \$1500.00 seed money has been presented to Circle Greenwich Elementary.

Treasurer's report approved.

Old Business

Website - Don't forget to utilize website for information. (cbepo.org)

Directory - Getting printing quotes . Hoping to have printer completely assemble directories. Current goal for distribution is October 14th.

PTO Storage Room - Clean out day is Thursday, Oct. 14th. Will try to begin at 8:45.

Fall Fund Raiser - Children should have orders turned in by Monday, Oct. 11th. Payment is due when product is delivered. Delivery should be during the week of November 8th. There is not a minimum number of items that must be sold in order to attend Big Bash party. All children will attend.

Room Moms – Selection of room moms will be completed during the week of Oct. 11th. Susan will contact them. Room mom coordinator duties will be split due to the large volume of responsibilities involved.

New Business

Teacher Grant Application – Request for ten reading timers for third graders was presented. Timers will be used to help improved reading fluency. Total amount \$80.85. Approved.

Committee Reports

Teacher Updates -

5th grade is working on lima bean experiments comparing growing environments, regions of the Midwest in social studies and will begin Einstein Fridays this week.

1st grade is working on vowel sounds

Kindergarten has learned how to use 911 for emergencies.

There will be a facility planning meeting at Benton Elementary on Oct. 12th.

Library Update –

4th grade has cereal box reports on display

3rd grade will be turning pumpkins into book characters

2nd grade will be doing animal reports

Principal Update - Red Ribbon Week begins Oct. 18th. Check the Circle Benton Broadcast newsletter for detailed information and daily schedule. Current enrollment is 227 students . NWEA testing has been completed for 2nd -6th grade. Mr. Burgess reminded us all how important it is to take the time to lead by example and read with our children.

Thursday Moms – Need to double check card stock supply.

Boxtops – A note will go home this week to remind children that boxtops need to be turned by Oct. 14th. First place class will receive a party. Still need two Tyson labels to collect \$250.

Landscaping - First work day is this Thursday Oct. 7th to replant boxwoods in front of school. Treetop has donated a crepe myrtle and spruce.

PTO Secret Pals – Still need 30 pals. Contact Carrie if interested.

Cartridge Recycling – May change to a recycling company that will accept a variety of items.

Teacher Appreciation – First function is teacher dinner on Oct. 26th. Working on menu and volunteers.

Writing Contest – no update at current time.

Calendar – Oct. 15th no school, Oct. 22nd FAB Day, Oct. 26th Teacher Appreciation dinner & conferences, Oct. 27th fall parties, Oct. 28th no school, conferences. Next PTO meeting Nov. 1st.

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting November 1st, 2010

Call to order 6:35pm

Introduction of officers and attendees

Officer Reports

October minutes accepted

Treasury Report from October accepted.

Old Business

Directory - distributed Wednesday, Oct. 27th. Additional copies available for \$2.00 in the office.

Storage Room - cleaned and organized

Fund Raiser - product will be delivered Thursday, Nov. 11th. Delivery truck should arrive at 1:30 and items distributed from 3:15 – 6:00. Volunteers will be needed to help. Please contact Susan if you are interested. This year 155 students participated in the fundraiser. This totaled \$8,745.05 profit for the school. Fundraiser money due by November 22nd. We will be counting the funds on Nov. 22nd and 23rd after school.

T-Shirts – delivered Wednesday, October 27th.

Teacher Appreciation Dinner – Thank you to the volunteers who helped provide food and décor for the dinner!

New Business

Grant Request - Mrs. Oaks is requesting three sets of readers totaling 19 books. The books will be for K-3rd grade. Cost is \$150.00. Grant approved by PTO.

Veteran's Day Program - program is Thursday, Nov. 11th @ 8:30am. PTO approved donation of \$100 toward upkeep of memorial.

12 Days of Christmas - We will have the 12 days of treats in the staff lounge again this year. Nicole will be contacting room moms to let them know their assigned day and what treat to provide.

Spring Fling - March 5th, 2011. Committees being formed for class baskets, tickets/publicity, prizes and silent auction. Susan will be contacting PTO members to volunteer. Look for more info on website.

Committee Reports

Teacher Updates - Mrs. Ryan – Kindergarten is making bookmarks for Veteran's Day. There is great progress being made with the reading program. Kindergarten will have their Pilgrim and Indian Thanksgiving feast again this year. Mrs. Herrmann- First Grade finished their pumpkin unit and will be having a book feast in November as a way to share reading.

Library Update – 12 days of reading will continue this year in the same format as last year

Counselor Report - STUCO elections were held and first meeting was in October. Food drive will continue this year in cooperation with a local church. Lower grades are working on character education. Upper grades are working on bullying and learning how to be friends and be tolerant of each other. Honor Roll breakfast November 3rd @ 7:15.

Principal Update - Parents be aware of cyber bullying and be cautious in resolving this issue. Do not contact students directly. Please contact Mrs. Singer for help. Be sure to talk with kids about their day. Great icebreaker "Who got in trouble today?" Mrs. Herrmann, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Lee will be making a presentation about FAB Families at a convention for elementary school principals. Circle Benton Elementary received a 7 out of 8 in excellence in math and reading on State Assessments.

Boxtops – we raised \$774.00 from boxtops. Mrs. Herrmann's class received first place for raising over 1200 boxtops. Mrs. Young's class was 2nd place and Mrs. Goodwin's class was 3rd place.

Landscaping - next work day is Thursday, Nov. 4th. Boxwoods, crepe myrtle and spruce have been planted. A committee has been formed to revive the outdoor classroom project for the area behind the library. Treetop will be developing a landscaping plan. Lots of potential uses for this space. Please contact Dee McKenna if you are interested in being part of this great program!

PTO Secret Pals - still need more than 20 pals. Contact Carrie Messmore to volunteer.

Cartridge Recycling – still investing new program

Writing Contest – kickoff November 1st for 3rd – 6th grade. Theme this year is color. Contest runs through the end of November. Awards presented in April. PTO will print and assemble books.

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting December 6th

Call to order 6:36pm

Introduction of officers and attendees

Officer Reports

November minutes accepted

Treasury Report from November accepted.

New Business

13 Days of Christmas (food for staff) - This is going well so far. Thank you to all who are participating. **Movie Day December 17th** – Need volunteers to come and supervise children during movie. Contact Nicole Mandina if you are interested. We may combine grades into smaller groups to watch movie. Will be decided by mid next week. Check website for more info.

CBE Activity Fund - I Like to Read program usually funded by \$ from pop machines will soon be depleted. We also need \$ for snacks during testing from Feb. thru April. Total cost around \$600-\$700. Motion approved to provide \$1500 to this fund.

Spring Fling - March 5th, 2011. Most committees formed. Linette Liby – concessions, Carrie Messmore-baskets, Tammy Foulston – silent auction, Amy Cordell – prize room. Still need someone to take charge of tickets. There will be a meeting January 10th at 6:30 for room moms. At this time games will be chosen for Spring Fling.

Committee Reports

Teacher Updates - Mrs. Haynes – Christmas program Tuesday, Dec. 7th 7pm. Why Has Christmas Lost Its Color? Spring programs will have a hillbilly theme.

Library Update – 12 days of reading is in full swing. Contact Misty if you would like to read to a class. Don't forget to use the Amazon.com link when shopping. See website.

Principal Update – Friday, Dec. 10th is Fab Day. Children will be Christmas Caroling at the Community Center around 11:00 for 20-25minutes. Some parents, staff and children took part in interviews with district officers about Circle school district. After interviews there was a follow up with board members at Circle High School. One stand out point made is that there is a strong sense of support and community across the district. Make sure children are getting plenty of sleep and drinking lots of water during these cold dry months and be generous with positive reinforcement.

Landscaping - Waiting for Treetop to respond with plan for outdoor classroom area behind library. Watering will be a major issue. Anyone interested in joining this committee can contact Dee McKenna.

PTO Secret Pals - still need 5 pals. Contact Carrie Messmore to volunteer.

Box Tops - Will be collected again in February. Check received from Tyson for \$35.

Cartridge Recycling – still investigating new program

Writing Contest – writing has been completed

Teacher Appreciation - We are moving dates for Spring Teacher Appreciation to April 18th -21st in order to avoid conflicts with other activities in the Spring.

Fundraising – Discussed the possibility of approaching a restaurant to sponsor a CBE night.

Calendar - December 10th – Fab Day, December 16th – 5th/6th Grade Christmas Program, December 17th – winter parties, December 20th-31st. Next PTO meeting – January 3rd.

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting January 3rd, 2011

Call to order 6:32pm

Introduction of officers and attendees

Officer Reports

December minutes accepted

Treasury Report accepted.

New Business

Room Mother Meeting - January 10th, 6:30pm

Picking games for Spring Fling, discuss making new signs for games, reviewing schedule for rest of the year. Nicole to check whether child care will be provided.

Honor Roll Breakfast - January 12th

Book Fair Family Night – February 3rd, will need volunteers starting at 3:00 . Sign-up sheet distributed at meeting. Papa John's trailer will be available. CBE will receive 20% of the profits.

Spring Fling - Tickets and Publicity - Still need volunteer. Contact Nicole if you are interested. Letters pertaining to baskets and silent auction went home before Christmas. Items will be accepted at any time. Contact Carrie Messmore/baskets, Tammy Foulston/silent auction if you have items to donate or any questions.

Committee Reports

Teacher Updates - Mrs. Duryea- 3rd grade working on prefix penguins, science, rocks and minerals. Also preparing for state assessments.

Counselor Update – Thank you to PTO and students for assisting with food drive and families in need. Sixth grade is taking part in anonymous survey to help determine spending for certain safety issues. K-2 reinforcing anti bullying, 3-6 working on friendship skills and self-reflection.

Library Update–12 days of reading resulted in 50-60 readers. Family reading night – committee to form to put this together. Idea for celebrations books. Families would be able to donate a book to in honor of special occasions. Misty putting together more info for next meeting.

Principal Update– Questions about budgets and how legislators will replace federal money that was previously included in the budget. State assessments – this year the percentage of students required to make AYP will be close to the level at which CBE is performing. Smaller classes will result in more emphasis put on individual's performance. Discussed ways to reduce anxiety for kids. PTO will provide snacks during assessments.

Landscaping -Reviewed and discussed plan for Benton's Backyard from Treetop. Dee is applying for grants to help with funding. Will continue to discuss different possibilities of how to fund. The new year means new budgets and is a good time to solicit for funding. If you have ideas please contact Dee.

Box Tops- received \$806.00 from box tops

Cartridge Recycling –new program in place. Refer to green sheet distributed before Christmas break

Calendar -January 12th – Honor Roll Breakfast

January 17th – no school

January 21st – FAB Day, casual/classroom pictures

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting February 7, 2011 -- PG 1 of 2

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm.

Susan Page, Chair, thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Officer Reports

Susan Page appointed Sandy Koontz as Secretary.

Amy Cordell moved to approve the January 2011 minutes as they appeared on the PTO website, seconded by Jennifer Carney. Motion carried.

Sandy Koontz presented the treasurer's report. Jennifer Carney moved to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Cara Dennison. Motion carried.

New Business

Book Fair – Book Fair Family/Pizza Night was rescheduled to Tuesday, February 8 due to weather cancellation of school Thursday February 3. Pizza will be available by 4 PM. The 6th graders will have desserts for sale as well.

Class Valentine Parties – Parties are scheduled for Monday, February 14 at 2:30 PM. Room moms are sending out notices for parent help with the parties this week.

Spring Fling Committee Chair Reports – Carrie Messmore will be sending another note home with students to remind parents to bring their items for the spring fling baskets. Tammy Foulston was not able to attend the meeting, but Susan Page said Tammy had a lot of items collected/donated for the silent auction. Amy Cordell said she has been buying items for the prize room and has a few more things she plans to purchase. Susan relayed that she talked to Linette Liby who is in charge of the concession stand. Linette knows what she needs and will be purchasing those items soon. Susan is working on tickets. A request was received from Lacey Gould who coordinates the local YMCA Latchkey program. She would like to sponsor a game to promote the Latchkey program. She would supply her own prizes from the YMCA. Mr. Burgess was concerned about liability-allowing non-PTO sponsored groups to set up games. He and Susan will look into this and decide how to handle the request. Prize room setup and how to relieve bottlenecks in the prize rooms were discussed. The purchase of Beta fish for one of the games was discussed. More fish are needed because they run out half way through the evening. Because of the expense of the fish it was suggested plastic containers be used that the fish come in at the store, then have some fish bowls available in the prize room for students to purchase with tickets they win during the evening.

Honor Roll Breakfast – Susan said she would like the PTO to purchase a 100 cup coffee pot for the kitchen because they keep running out of coffee during the honor roll breakfasts. The coffee pot could be made available for any school functions. Rachel Brown moved to purchase a 100 cup coffee pot. Cara Dennison seconded, motion carried.

Lions Club Fireworks Stand – this item was tabled till the next meeting.

Grant Request – Mrs. Ryan submitted a grant to purchase a Leap Frog Magnetic Word Builder and Leap Frog DVD/CD Learning Sets to promote good reading habits at the Kindergarten level. The cost will be from \$100 to \$120, depending on shipping. Rachel Brown moved to approve the grant request. Jennifer Carney seconded, motion carried.

Committee Reports

Teacher Updates - Mrs. Hatfield was unable to attend the meeting.

Counselor's Update – Mr. Burgess reported for Mrs. Singer who was not able to attend the meeting that state assessments are coming up in March. The counselors in the Circle District have been discussing unifying the District's bullying policy.

Library Update – Mrs. Gahagan said Scholastic was kind enough to allow Benton to reschedule the book fair for this week to allow for the Family/Pizza night.

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting February 7, 2011 -- PG 2 of 2

Principal Update – Mr. Burgess discussed the Governor has lined out cuts for education which amounts to \$300,000.00 for Circle District 375.

Landscaping – Rachel Brown reported that Dave Messmore has joined the landscaping team. He does landscaping for a living. He met with the group and walked through the proposed outdoor classroom area. Several utilities are located in the original design area. Dave met with Tree Top Nursery and they are changing the design to stay away from the utilities. The site will run to the east rather than to the north. Dave also suggested some ideas that will cut the cost of the project. Rachel said Dee has been applying for grants. They should know by February 11th if one grant is accepted. They also approached the Benton Lion's Club for funding. They are waiting on replies from other Wichita area companies including Koch, Learjet and Cargill. Dee is working on another grant through the Downing Foundation. The team's goal is to have dirt moved and water lines in place this spring. Estimated cost for this project is \$25,000.00. The team is brainstorming on ideas for raising funds but would like to have the support and a commitment of funding from the PTO. Mr. Burgess suggested setting up a capital campaign committee to assist with fundraising ideas. No action was taken.

Fundraising – Amy Cordell and Stephanie Cowman are heading up the fundraising committee. Susan Page mentioned she has already been approached by JT Enterprises for fundraising through them.

Tuesday/Thursday Helpers – no report.

Cartridge Recycling – Susan noted lots of cartridges have been dropped off at the school.

Box Tops – Cara Dennison will be giving teachers a note to send home with students this Wednesday about the upcoming Box Top collection. The deadline for Box Top collection this semester is February 17.

Teacher Appreciation – no report.

PTO Staff Pals – no report.

Writing Contest – no report.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting March 7th, 2011

Call to order 6:33pm

Introduction of officers and attendees

Officer Reports

February minutes accepted

Treasury Report accepted.

Old Business

Spring Fling - Gross app. \$8146.55 Generated app. \$5540 income. Some expenses still not accounted for. Thank you to all that helped with Spring Fling. Please turn in any outstanding receipts to Sandy Koontz by the end of the week. Benton Backyard made \$160.

Fireworks Stand - Motion carried to participate in fireworks stand this year. Susan will contact Dave Friesen to firm up dates and negotiate scheduling. Would like more AM shifts to be available to us. If we work July 4th we get time ½.

Benton's Backyard – small plan changes made to accommodate electrical boxes. Water feature added, sidewalk added for ADA. Mission statement and goals presented. Motion carried to have plant sale May 5-8 with pre-sale during week of April 4th. Next PTO meeting will have signup sheet to work sale. Dee and Nicole to work on flyer. 4H float planned for Benton Days. Committee will set regular schedule for meeting and all are welcome to attend. Looking for ideas for donors. Contact Dee or Rachel with any possibilities. Funding so far \$500 Lions Club + \$160 from basket.

New Business

Papa John's/Conferences March 15th – sign-up sheet for conference dinner distributed. Families can purchase pizza and eat in cafeteria. Conference dinner in library.

Honor Roll Breakfast – March 30th 7:15. Susan to purchase donuts

Teacher Appreciation – April 18-21. Need chairperson and theme.

Circle Foundation Run – Saturday, April 30th 7:30am. Misty will get with Chad to clarify several items on sign up form.

Benton Days Concession Stand – Nicole will chair concession stand. Schedule depends on dodge-ball. Need to research what was purchased last year.

Nominating committee members for next year- Misty will be seeking members.

Committee Reports

Teacher Update– Mrs. Welshear's sixth grade beginning state assessments. Kids will begin writing autobiographical books consisting of four chapters. They will be professionally bound for the students. Sixth grade auction will take place last day of school.

Library Update–Misty to review Circle Foundation Run flyer with Chad.

Principal Update–Mr. B. presented the possibility of new furniture for front entry space. Cost could run \$1000-\$2000. Discussion tabled for next meeting

Box-Tops-over \$500 for Spring. Prizes will be given next week

Writing Contest –Back from judges. Awards April 7th 1:30. This year we will distribute one book per family with note to return to school if not wanted. Iris to check on price breaks for printing and will get w/Nicole for book assembly. Ideas to promote writing contest: poster wall consisting of covers of all books, include in yearbook, possible display at Andover/Towanda library.

Calendar -March 13th – daylight savings

March 15th – conferences

March 17th – conferences/no school

March 18th – no school

March 21-25 –Spring break

March 30th – Honor Roll breakfast

April 4th - PTO meeting

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting April 4th, 2011

Call to order 6:36pm

Officer Reports

March minutes accepted

March Treasury Report accepted. Intuit Quickbooks Pro software purchased for treasurer to use.

Old Business

Benton's Backyard – Grants received to date: \$1000 Brita, \$500 Welch's, \$500 Lion's Club. More grants are in the works. Plant sale preorder forms will go home April 5th due back on April 13th. Plants will be delivered on May 5th at the park. Extra plants will be available for sale that day. Volunteers are needed for May 5th. Contact Dee if you are interested.

Writing Contest – copies of books will be p/up April 5th. Thursday Moms will work on binding. Awards will be presented on April 7th 1:00 pm. A 16 x 20 framed copy of cover art work will be displayed.

Teacher Appreciation – April 18th-21st. Theme pending. Will be getting wish lists from teachers and staff and posting online.

Circle Foundation Run – forms home on April 4th. Money raised will benefit the library.

Benton Days Concession Stand – Will begin at 9:45 – 4:00pm? Nicole circulated volunteer sign - up sheet. Inflatables and 4H bake sale will also be in the parking lot.

Furniture for lobby tabled for next meeting.

New PTO Officers for next school year – contact Mrs. Gahagan if you are interested in being a PTO officer. President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Room Mom Coordinator are needed.

New Business

Tea Party- May 3rd. Kim Soderlund needs volunteers . Sign-up sheet circulated.

Committee Reports

Teacher Update – Mrs. Oberst. – 4th grade doing math and science assessments. Trying to plan a 4th grade field trip.

Pincipal Update – A presentation concerning "Suitable" that included discussion about what schools are doing, not doing and should stop doing in order to enhance students learning. This will directly affect funding of schools.

Boxtops – Mrs. Ryan's, Mrs. Young's and Mrs. Herrmann's classes were the three top collectors and have had their parties.

Fundraising – Amy, Stephanie and Susan to talk and present ideas in May for next year.

Music Program – April 14th and 28th. Hoping to have videographer tape the program and sell copies for \$5. Nicole to take charge of this.

Staff Pals – to be revealed in May.

Books Are Fun - items on display in library are for sale.

Calendar - April 14th- 5-6th grade program
April 28th – K-4th grade program
April 18th-21st – Teacher Appreciation
April 22nd and 25th – no school
May 2nd – PTO Meeting
May 3rd – Tea Party

Circle Benton Elementary PTO meeting May1st, 2011

Call to order 6:34pm

Officer Reports

April minutes accepted

April Treasury Report accepted.

Treasurer's Report - Total PTO funds as of April \$31,805.61. Benton Days concessions stand made \$1,300. New format for report introduced.

Old Business

Benton's Backyard— Plant sale is this Thurs., Fri, and Sat. at Benton shelter. Funds earned from presale and donations \$ 2,859.00. Grant received from Laham Family for \$5,000. Budget presented. Goal is to raise \$50,000. Dee to get with Mr. B. to set up meeting to keep teachers informed. Working on recognition program for donors. More exciting possibilities for donations are in the works!

Kindergarten Screening – May 12th-13th. Still need volunteers. Contact Jennifer Wilson if you are available. No school for Kindergarten those two days.

Tea Party – Food to be delivered Monday and Tuesday. You can still volunteer to help.

Fireworks Stand- June 27th – July 4th. Set up day Saturday, June 25th, breakdown July 5th. Volunteers needed for two hour shifts. Note will go home toward end of school year for volunteers. Motion carried to give proceeds from fireworks stand to Benton's Backyard.

NewBusiness

Packademics School Supplies - chance to preorder school supplies for next school year. Note will go home toward end of the week. CBE will receive \$5.00 for every kit sold.

May20th Field Day/ Movie – PTO will provide snack/drinks for field day.

Fund Raiser 2011/2012 – Motion carried to use JT Enterprises for fund raiser in fall 2011

Transfer of funds to CBE Teacher Supply Line - Motion carried to transfer funds to CBE teacher supplies in the amount of \$1300.

Mimio Vote Assessment System – Motion carried to purchase set of 32 units in the amount of \$1900. PTO will fund half, Mr. B will fund half using \$ set aside for Benton Grade School Foundation.

Bylaw Changes – Article XI temporarily suspended to accommodate following changes.

Article 5 - Eliminating membership dues to PTO. All parents of a CBE student will be considered members. Article 7 – Treasurer will no longer collect dues. Fiscal year to run from June 1 – May 31st. 2011-2012 Budget – Budget reviewed small changes made to accommodate necessary increases/decreases in needed funds.

Nominations for New Officers 2011/2012- President – Susan Page, VP – Nicole Mandina, Secretary Cara Dennison, Treasurer – Sandy Koontz, Room Mom Coordinator – Kim Soderlund, Teacher Liaison – Misty Gahagan. Motion carried to accept new officers.

Committee Reports

Teacher Update – 4th-6th taking bullying survey, K-3 safety review, 6th grade visiting Circle Middle School

Library Update – Misty reviews The Brave Journey by Jefferson Knapp and is working to get him to visit at book fair.

Principal Update—House Bill – email committee members with your concerns

Boxtops – \$502.11 raised after the first of the year. Total raised for school year \$1300.00

Fundraising – Amy, Stephanie and Susan to talk and present ideas in May for next year.

Staff Pals – to be revealed in May. Possible change for next year will involve forming teams. Social Committee would like copy of PTO Pal form

Thurs. Moms - working plant sale

Cartridge Recycling - \$22.00 received

Thanks to everyone for all your hard work throughout the year!