

**Circle Benton Elementary**  
**PTO Meeting**  
**February 3, 2020 6:30 – 7:30PM**

Meeting duration: 72 min | Call to order: 6:32pm | Meeting end: 7:44pm | Attendance: 14

**Officer Reports:**

**Secretary:** January 2020 Minutes – Read, motioned, seconded and accepted.

**Treasurer:** January 2020 Finance report – Summarized, motioned, seconded and accepted.

**Room Mom Coordinator:** Note has gone out to room moms regarding the Valentine's day parties and they are reaching out to the parents for their classes.

**Communications Coordinator:** No report.

**Old Business:**

- **January Book Fair Family Night:** We had 185 for dinner that night. Mrs. Gahagan estimates that the book fair sales for the week were an all-time high at almost \$6,000 which is an increase of around \$1,500.00
- **Music Programs:** No more DVD's were sold. The DVD's that were ordered are at the office for distribution.

**New Business:**

- **February 11 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert:** This will be at the middle school
- **Valentine Day Parties – Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm:** Room moms are contacting parents about parties.
- **FAB – Friday, February 21st:** 6<sup>th</sup> graders are planning this Fab. Depending on what is planned may need some things need from PTO
- **Writing Contest Update – March 4<sup>th</sup> 1:30 to 3:00:** Reception for past winners will be 1 to 1:30 in the library. Cookies & punch will be served. Letters have gone out to parents of winners.
- **Snacks for Testing:** Testing starts March 24. Tasha has the list from Mrs. Singer and will get snacks to her.
- **Conference Dinner – Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>:** Soup and Sandwiches. Amy and Melissa will handle getting it set up. Will check into Panera as an alternative to Tanya's Soup Kitchen.
- **Spring Fling Discussion:**
  - Dodge Ball – we will know what is going on with the dodge ball tournament by Thursday. If Mr. Clothier isn't going to run it PTO will.
  - Assuming that dodge ball tournament is at CBE we will run a concession stand throughout the day continuing over into spring fling. May offer different food for spring fling – or have special items offered in the cafeteria if the hamburgers and hotdogs continue to be offered outside.
  - Rather than offering punch cards for purchase that are for games and food this year there will be \$5 wristbands that will allow purchasers to play as many of the games as they want.
  - Food sales will be cash rather than included on the punch card as they have been previously.
  - Raffle baskets will be available for viewing throughout the day for those coming in for the dodge ball tournament. Raffle ticket sales will also be available throughout the day. Planning on having 15 baskets – one may be a "pie your favorite teacher" basket.

- Tasha will reach out to companies that have donated previously for donations that will go into raffle baskets.
- Will also do a 50/50 raffle that will have tickets for sale throughout the day.
- Rather than doing items for the raffle baskets by class a signup genius will go out for people to sign up to volunteer items based on the basket theme.
- A separate signup genius will go out for cakes for the cake walk, candy and cans of pop for prizes, etc.
- We will still have a silent auction but it will be significantly smaller with 3 offerings one of which will be a date night package including a hotel room. Other items to be decided.
- Come to next month's meeting with ideas for games, food and prizes.

**Updates:**

**Principal Update:** Vote for the bond issue will be Tuesday, April 28. The bond issue will be the only thing being voted on that day for our area. There will be an 8-week campaign to register voters and encourage them to go to the polls on April 28 and vote yes.

**Counselors Update:** No report.

**Teachers Update:** 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is working on division and biographies. Several teachers are involved in district wide PLC groups that are working together to improve learning for our children. Those meetings are ongoing.

**Library Update:** McTeacher night this year will be Tuesday, April 7 from 5 pm to 7 pm

**Benton Backyard:** N/A

**Box Tops Coordinator:** The next turn in date for box tops is Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. We will be doing a school wide party rather than class room parties. The new digital app for scanning box tops only tracks for the school, not by class.

**Thursday Moms:** N/A

Meeting adjourned: 7:44 pm

**Next PTO Meeting: Monday, March 9, 6:30 pm in the school library.**