

PTA Meeting – October 7, 2009 Meeting started at 7:10PM –adjourned at 8:30PM

I. Welcome- Cindy Anderson, PTA President.

- a. Beautiful newsletter. Thank you to Sue Capper and Janice Rivera.
- b. PTA minutes can be reviewed online on the Belle View Website.
- c. Working on updating pages on Belle View website. Making it more user friendly.
- d. PTA minutes from June and September Approved.

II. Principals update- Tom Kuntz, Principal

- a. Impressed with leadership- hit ground running and working hard.
- b. H1N1-one confirmed student case and one staff member. There might have been more but doctors not stating if H1N1. Some fever, chills, achy symptoms like regular flu or allergies are possible. There is no pandemic noted.
- c. Procedures in place for H1N1 as needed.
- d. Recommendation for staff and students to stay home for 24 hours if had fever and fever free without medicine for 24 hours.
- e. 78 kindergartens- capped at 25- state initiated- other places capped at different numbers- based on economic status- free and reduced lunch.
- f. Friday received news that BV could hire new teacher and IA.
- g. Letter to kindergarten parents- additional teacher and IA will be team teacher- already started process- 12.5 changed to 7:1- Do not have room for effective use in classroom instruction- discussed at length with other colleagues and they are doing the same thing
- h. Team teaching will look differently in each classroom- everyone will be working to make sure every student will get what they need.
- i. Effective practice involves lots of communication.

II.Reflections Info

- a. PTA sponsored art program.
- b. Display work here and can elevate to Cluster, County and State level
- c. Sue Capper and Cindy Sloan- chairs.
- d. National PTA program includes: photo, visual arts, literature, music composition, and dance.
- e. The theme this year is: “beauty is...”
- f. Judged by creative people in that field
- g. Belle View presentation not viewed as competition rather for outstanding excellence.
- h. Due by Oct. 30- don't let rules scare away.
- i. PTA website reflections photo gallery

II. Thank you

- a. PTA closet- Leslie Fry cleaned out- doesn't put anything on top shelf. See Donna Powell or Cindy Anderson for key.
- b. All those who helped with Back to School Night- went well.
- c. Lego club- over 44 kids
- d. Artists at Work- Ms. Wright
- e. Lori Kennedy- Subway Night- \$160

III. Upcoming events

- a. Bobcat Buffet- Octoberfest is changed- curriculum based potluck- Nov. 12- Thursday 5:30-7. Drinks provided by PTA- put on table grade level- anyone want to help- ask for volunteers on form- prize from fall fundraiser- cash box.
- b. Fall Fundraiser- Sally foster time- deadline is Friday will take orders past Friday- 40 or more items get to go in cash box- 20 or more will pull names for cash box- easy on line- get orders right away- corporate fundraising- ads on newsletter- ads are tax deductible- frequent places that are advertized.
- c. Flex- German Thursday fall and winter start Thursday October 15, Thursday morning Spanish starting October 22, Wednesday afternoon Spanish level 1 and 2, Thursday afternoon Spanish class for kindergarteners from 3:45-4:45- ten week classes maybe a little longer- ran Spanish, German, and Chinese last year- start now because language requirement for middle school also have FLES in school- committee chairs on are website
- d. Junior great books- like to offer to primary grades and extend upwards- how to back up ideas-totally volunteer- group 8 kids- 30-40 minutes once a week- 24 game club- Tuesday November 10- math enrichment -half hour before school starts -coffee next Thursday the 15th from 8:30-10- kids ok- room parents
- e. Fall fun and gardening- PTA do social every month- Wednesday October 28 4-5:30- clean up rose garden- anything want to share- casual and fun- Roy Rogers- at 5:30- meeting tomorrow at 4 in playground- looking for sensory garden-around grounds also have some garden plots- now each have classroom that is taking care of- except brick patio right by cafeteria- benches, weed, water shed area
- f. Spirit ware -October 21st start of sale-adding car magnets- let know is something specific- lunchboxes and polo shirts and hats

IV. Budget- on line-

- a. Balance is \$8,977.17.
- b. Upcoming- taxes due Nov. 15.
- c. Dec. 1 state and national dues due.
- d. Corporate sponsors \$1,925.
- e. Motion to move budget for buffet to \$300 and passed.
- f. Theatre program start on January 12th 100 dollars all ages 3:40-4:40 might break up until k-3 and 4-6, fun but disciplined.

V. New business-

- a. Volunteers needed- Sock Hop Feb. 5th chair or committee.
- b. End of year Picnic.
- c. Science Expo- We have teachers but need parent always help set up and break down.
- d. Register Giant card- need to new card number.
- e. Safeway and Giant raised \$3,000.
- f. Adding Harris Teeter
- g. Request for funds- for community trips- need to have cash on hand- part of curriculum- cash in safe teachers come and managed by administrators- roughly for year is \$1,200- self contained autism and ID 3-6 buses is provided- not a field trip- hate to have parents provide what is required- perhaps need half- never funded- everyone

goes regardless of payment- decisions later- get sponsor- how would you approach-
motioned revisit in February- if find corporate sponsor then money would go back to
pot- motioned to provide \$600- approved

h. Breakfast – Oct. 29th – 6th Grade and fifth.