

## Beaver Acres PTO General meeting

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, Sept 30, 2020 **Time:** 6-7:30PM

**Conference call details:**

### Attendees

PTO Officers	<i>Present?</i>	Beaver Acres Staff	<i>Present?</i>
Stephanie Myers BA PTO President	Yes	Angela Tran Beaver Acres Principal	Yes
Kessa Williams BA PTO Treasurer	Yes	Karla Gray-Ramirez Beaver Acres Assistant Principal	Yes
Elaine Tronic BA PTO Secretary	Yes	Rhonda Harwood Beaver Acres PTO Teacher Representative	Yes
Cali Ence BA PTO Volunteer Coordinator	Yes	Andrew Ratzke Beaver Acres PTO Teacher Representative	Yes
Jessica Bills BA Communications Officer	Yes		

PTO Members and Guests

### AGENDA

Topic	Item	Who
1. Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Call to order</li> <li>b. Approve agenda</li> <li>c. Vote: Approve agenda written</li> <li>d. Approved, Unanimous</li> <li>e.</li> <li>f. Welcome</li> </ul>	Stephanie Myers
2. Guest Speaker	Library Resources for families Elementary school	Katie Patterson Aloha Library

	<p>Library is trying to shift from virtual to screen free offerings</p> <p>Take and make kits</p> <p>Messy arts and crafts for Preschool through elementary</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> week of the month</p> <p>STEAM take and make</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> week of month</p> <p>Virtual lego</p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> week of month</p> <p>Drawing for \$10 gift card for lego store</p> <p>1 more program each month</p> <p>Coming up: Trick or treat take and make</p> <p>Halloween story time and virtual costume party</p> <p>Virtual story times for older kids</p> <p>Winter reading plans still in progress</p> <p>Library is also working on ways to get books to kids that they can keep and not return</p> <p>Can email library and they will put together a book bundle 10-15 books. Working on a way to select that via website.</p> <p>Curbside holds pickup. Don't need appointment</p> <p>MTW 3-6pm</p> <p>Th/F/Sa 10am-1pm</p> <p>Links in chat:</p> <p>Aloha library calendar</p> <p>WCCLS – distance learning resources broken down by age group</p> <p>WCCLS event calendar – search by distance learning</p> <p><a href="https://alohalibrary.org/calendar/">https://alohalibrary.org/calendar/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.wccls.org/distance-learning-resources">https://www.wccls.org/distance-learning-resources</a></p> <p><a href="https://wccls.bibliocommons.com/events/search/fq=types:(5f2dc9277c571d2400f51ba0)">https://wccls.bibliocommons.com/events/search/fq=types:(5f2dc9277c571d2400f51ba0)</a></p> <p>If anyone has any questions, you can email me at <a href="mailto:katiep@alohalibrary.org">katiep@alohalibrary.org</a>. Thanks for having me!</p>	
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<p>3. Guest Speaker</p>	<p>Safe Routes to School</p> <p>Traffic safety playground joint with THPRD – on Fanno creek trail</p> <p>Walk and roll leader opportunities - Recruiting parent volunteers to lead monthly walk/roll event</p> <p>Ex. Walk and roll Wednesdays</p> <p>Can post on facebook page inviting families to walk or roll. Respond to facebook post. Then send count of participants to Leah.</p> <p>SFRTS has prizes to offer to participants if the school coordinates an event.</p> <p>Oct. 7 International Walk + Roll Day</p> <p>Record participation on google form.</p> <p><a href="https://forms.gle/M4sZ1uMAwpBKSKvVA">https://forms.gle/M4sZ1uMAwpBKSKvVA</a></p> <p>Prizes include 3 book bundles to schools with highest participation</p> <p>Slide will be shared with teachers Thursday 10/1 to advertise Oct 7 event.</p> <p>Leah Biado-Luis leah_biado-luis@beaverton.k12.or.us <a href="http://www.beaverton.k12.or.us/safe-routes">www.beaverton.k12.or.us/safe-routes</a></p> <p>Looks like Beaver Acres did not participate in Walk + Roll events last year. Previously these events were reliant on having a person in the community willing to promote and staff the event. Due to distance learning, a coordinator is not needed as your principal and teachers will be promoting the event and all students have the option to participate by recording their trip on the google form, so hopefully we will see a great turn out from your community!</p>	<p>Leah Biado-Luis</p> <p>BSD Safe Routes to School Coordinator</p>
<p>4. Principals' Report</p>	<p>School priority is reading and getting books in kids hands</p>	<p>Angela Tran Karla Gray-Ramirez</p>

	<p>Beaver Acres receives Title I funds. Most non salary money is being used to purchasing books. K-2 will receive around 5 books per student. Want to build home libraries</p> <p>Teachers are submitting proposals for classroom libraries.</p> <p>Class size – highest in district for kinder</p> <p>Kindergarten class sizes are currently 29, 29, 30, 30</p> <p>Could get teacher transferred from another school. If that occurs, will communicate to teachers, then kinder families.</p>	
5. Teachers Report	<p>Andrew</p> <p>We are all learning. Teachers are open to hear feedback about how things are going. Nice to have communication both ways.</p> <p>Rhonda</p> <p>Teachers are working hard to make leaning engaging.</p>	Rhonda Harwood Andrew Ratzke
6. President's Report	<p>a. Open Board Positions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. VP of Fundraising</li> <li>ii. VP of Community Events</li> <li>iii. Email Stephanie if anyone is interested in joining the PTO board.</li> </ul>	Stephanie Myers
7. Fundraising	<p>a. Why We Fundraise</p> <p>b. Classroom enrichment. Teachers get amount per student for supplies and distance learning</p> <p>c. Budget reserves are healthy, but want to continue to fundraise.</p> <p>d. Dining Night Out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Oct 14 Noodles &amp; Co</li> <li>ii. Nov 18 Chipotle</li> <li>iii. Cedar Hills</li> <li>iv. Increase from 4 to 6 DNO for the year</li> </ul>	Stephanie Myers
8. Beaver Dash Read-a-thon	<p>a. Beaver Dash is focused on being a community activity. It is a fundraiser, but the emphasis is on building community as a school event.</p> <p>b. Sponsorships</p> <p>c. OnPoint and Columbia Bank</p>	Stephanie Myers

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>d. Donations Begin Oct 2nd-5th</li> <li>e. All donations online via PledgeStar. No paper packet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. \$25 per student</li> </ul> </li> <li>f. Shirt and Reading logs Oct 14-16 10am-12pm and 5-6:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Oct 13-16 to distribute shirts</li> <li>ii. 10am-12pm</li> <li>iii. 5-6:30pm</li> <li>iv. Oct 13 – focus on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade to pick books</li> <li>v. Reading logs will be included with shirts. Teachers will also send out reading logs.</li> <li>vi. Oct 14 - Student last name A-L</li> <li>vii. Oct 15 - Student last name M-Z</li> <li>viii. October 16 - Everyone</li> </ul> </li> <li>g. Read-a-thon Oct 19-23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Ways to Read</li> <li>ii. Record every 15 minutes. Reading on own, reading to family, teacher story time, digital books, physical books, audiobooks</li> <li>iii. Prizes</li> <li>iv. Class prize per grade level</li> <li>v. \$100 in books for class</li> <li>vi.</li> <li>vii. Individual prize for top 25 readers in each grade</li> <li>viii. Patches. Top 15 teachers or staff. ISC – all students who submit log will receive patch</li> <li>ix.</li> <li>x. Donations through Oct 30</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p>9. Community Events and Volunteer Opportunities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Book Drive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Collections Sept 29 and Oct</li> <li>ii. 1200 books collected 9/29</li> <li>iii.</li> <li>iv. Stored and sorted</li> <li>v. Distributed out with Beaver Dash Shirts</li> <li>vi. 4th and 5th grade will choose books during allotted time</li> <li>vii. 3 books per students in book bag with shirts and logs</li> <li>viii. Need volunteer help to distribute shirts</li> <li>ix.</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Art Lit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Kits</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Cali Ence</p>

	<p>Art lit lesson at-home kits will be distributed at school. There will be 3 art lit lessons for the year.</p> <p>Discussion: Are teachers open to presenting the art lit lesson slides during class time?</p> <p>Andrew: Yes, teachers would be open to using class time for art lit lesson.</p> <p>Can a parent volunteer lead the art lit lesson on a zoom meeting?</p> <p>Andrew and Rhonda: Yes, give teachers a choice if the teacher wants to present the lesson or ask for a parent volunteer.</p> <p>It would be helpful for teachers to have a tutorial about how to present the art lit lesson via google slides or youtube video.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Andrew will connect with Cali about creating tutorial.</p> <p>ii.</p> <p>c. Volunteers Needed Oct 14-16 for student pick up</p> <p>i. Visit <a href="http://myimpactpage.com">myimpactpage.com</a> to sign up.</p>	
<p>10. Treasurer's Report</p>	<p>a. P&amp;L report</p> <p>b. Expenses – biggest expense YTD is \$5000 for beaver dash shirts</p> <p>c. Budget</p> <p>PTO members and community can Sign up for fred meyer rewards, Amazon smile, box tops and designate Beaver Acres PTO as the recipient of donation</p> <p>PTO member comment: Office Depot has school contribution option</p> <p>Action item: Stephanie will look into nonprofit donation program at Home Depot.</p>	<p>Kessa Williams</p>
<p>11. Open Forum</p>	<p>For all PTO members and guests</p> <p>Construction update</p> <p>No update on finish date</p> <p>Still working on roof. Some classrooms without windows. Getting ready to paint gym. Now have regular visits from maintenance and construction.</p> <p>Are playgrounds open?</p>	

	<p>School grounds are no longer officially closed (no trespassing), but not technically open. Use at your own risk and judgement.</p> <p>Events School is responsible for planning fun engaging events, and staff has been discussing ideas.</p> <p>So far, focus has been on material distribution, rather than community building.</p> <p>Trying to learn from supply pickup to think about distributing materials for events like steam nights.</p> <p>Other ideas include: Virtual field trips by classroom on Wednesday. virtual game rooms.</p> <p>Andrew – Remote events can also have advantages. For 5<sup>th</sup> grade graduation in spring 2020, the event was better attended via zoom than previous in person events. Family members from out of town were able to attend.</p> <p>Michelle Teters (parent) Communication from teachers and staff has been great.</p> <p>Angela Tran We are starting with relationships. Teachers made major student contact efforts – zoom meeting or phone call with every student before school started.</p> <p>Beaver Acres is 1 of largest elementary schools in BSD and there is only 1 family that staff has not been able to reach.</p> <p>Scott Hutchinson (parent) Very valuable to meet teachers and ask questions before school started.</p> <p>Karla Teachers are checking in on students to make sure they have what they need to participate</p> <p>Beaver Dash After pickup, is it ok to pass shirts out via teachers? We need to track who has picked up.</p>	
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	<p>Angela – will coordinate to distribute via front office staff</p> <p>Andrew – Would be helpful to have a google slide for teachers to present in class with information about Beaver Dash. Summary can be also go into lunch bags distributed at Beaver Acres.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Create slide with Beaver Dash summary information. [WHO??]</p> <p>Elaine Tronic: What has professional development been?</p> <p>Andrew: Training about science adoption. How to utilize digital tools for distance learning. Training for how to use reading assessment via zoom.</p> <p>Extra week PD prior to school year: How to best utilize platforms. Time to communicate with families. Training to get familiar and comfortable with instructional materials from district.</p> <p>PD team at Beaver Acres has team meetings to discuss what is working well. How do we go deeper with engagement?</p> <p>Angela Most important Professional Development can be conversations between teachers and staff. Can help each other with content, share successes and challenges.</p> <p>Michelle Teters (parent) Any information about how many families are struggling with internet access? Angela- We know families are waiting for hotspots. Don't have exact numbers at hand, but small number. Karla - There is no cap on number of hotspots. It can take some time, but there is a process to get them access. Internet access is a priority of equity focus.</p> <p>Attendance rates are high. How to nudge deeper engagement and have high expectations while being aware of barriers for many families.</p> <p>Stephanie Myers If hybrid model begins, what is plan?</p>	
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	<p>Angela – Social distancing rules are strict. Stay together as cohort. Will stay off recess equipment bc can't clean between each cohort. Lunch in classroom.</p> <p>Andrew – Beaverton Education Foundation has video of what classroom would have to look like in on-site hybrid.</p> <p>Angela Appreciate transparency and constructive feedback. We care deeply about kids and need to hear from families. Part of being an educator is constantly getting better at craft.</p>	
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Next meeting:  
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December 9, 2020  
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