

Kaneland Blackberry Creek Elementary School PTO

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Kaneland Blackberry Creek PTO Agenda October 22nd, 2015 at 7:00 PM, LRC

All parents who have children attending Kaneland Blackberry Creek Elementary School are members of the PTO and are invited to attend meetings. Meetings are held on a Thursday each month during the school year, in the school library, at 7:00 p.m. Please visit the KBC-PTO website to verify meeting dates.

In Attendance: Kim Bartkowiak, Tressa Bird, Nicole Fabbri, Julie Keen, Jennifer Lycan, Julie Mondy, Ann Olsen, Brook Noring, Diane Pierson, Erin Slattery, Kathy Spence, Lisa Tingler, Denise VanDeveire,

- I. Call to Order:** Julie Keen called the September 22nd, 2015 meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- II. Introductions:** Julie Keen began introduction around the room and passed along Thank You notes from the staff.
- III. Executive Board Reports**
 - a. Secretary's Report – *Motion by Kimberly Bartkowiak to waive the reading of the September 23, 2015 PTO meeting minutes, and to be approved as written and distributed. Second: Jennifer Lycan. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.* A reminder that all KBC-PTO meeting minutes are on the PTO website: <http://www.kbcpto.org/>.
 - b. Vice President's Report – Denise VanDeVeire had nothing to report.
 - c. Treasurer's Report – Denise VanDeVeire reported for Laura Marler the following:
EXPENSES:
 - Ice Cream Social remainder cost – \$185.38
 - Water Cooler – \$108.60
 - Processing fees – \$142.00INCOME:
 - Family KNIGHT Out - \$74.64
 - Folks on Spokes - \$500.00
 - My Coke Rewards – \$21.32
 - Run for Fund - \$8,241.19 profit (\$9,310.00 total)
 - Yearbook - \$82.36 (Received from last year sales. It was discussed, that, the winner of the cover contest receives a free yearbook this year with the money made.
 - Teacher Appreciation - \$120.00
 - d. Communications Report – Newsletters will go out on Sunday evenings, every 2 weeks.
 - e. Fundraising Report – Lisa Tingler reported that the Daily Raffle forms go home next week. The Chuck E. Cheese FKO will be November 13th (Friday), Chuck E. will be outside afterschool the day of the event to remind children and parents of the event. Lisa discussed the Potbelly Knight Out mix up: the restaurant booked 2 Kaneland schools, so we split the evening profits. Potbelly's is also changing there fundraising starting in January. They will require a flier and only those with the school will be counted in the total percent received. The Barnes & Noble book fair is scheduled for December 16th 9am-10pm. Lisa requested approval for a penny challenge the week before to promote the event. Lisa and the other chairs plan on using the profits for aiding the PTO in purchasing birthday books for the office.

- IV. Principal's Report** – Tressa Bird reported for Martne McCoy. First quarter assessments are being worked on for the Tyler system. Halloween parade will be at 2:15 on the 30th (if it rains there will be no parade). Project KC at Blackberry will start this week. Stem infusion nights will be a new event this year. This will be a fee based night in January after school. The sessions will be split into groups K-2nd and 3rd-5th grade.
- V. Faculty Advisor's Report** – Diane Pierson had nothing to report. Diane expressed continued Thanks for our support.
- VI. Old and New Business**
- a. Volunteer Needs:
 1. Scholastic Book Fair during parent/teacher conferences.
 2. Yo-yo sellers after the NED assembly.
 - b. Birthday Books: Pam Berth requested \$800.00 last year, that was not used, and requested that, again, for this year. It was discussed how many students either, don't know about the books offered, or simply choose not to take one. *Motion by Erin Slattery for \$400.00 for birthday books. Second: Christine Isaacs. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.* The PTO will review a further amount next semester.
 - c. Teacher Request: Ann Olsen presented her request of \$1,000.00 for an iPad Air, stand, case, and accessories. This will be used to create a U-Tube channel of teachers, teaching the common core standards. The resource will then be available through the website for parents and teachers to utilize. Ann believes this will be helpful for better understanding of the standards at home. *Motion by Denise VanDeveire for \$1000.00 to Ann Olsen. Brook Noring second. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.*
- VII. Committee Reports**
- a. After School Enrichment – Julie Keen requested anyone willing to teach a class to contact the chairs, Thesa McDonald or Leanne Skipper.
 - b. Box Tops/Tyson/My Coke – Julie Mondri brought in coke tops and requested that anyone with an account to please enter. The next week they are giving double points for entries. Julie also confirmed we are collecting Campbell's labels now.
 - c. Daily Raffle – Julie Keen and Lisa Tingler reported the forms go home next week.
 - d. Family KNIGHT / McCare KNIGHT Out – Lisa Tingler and Kimberly Bartkowiak reported the next one would be Friday, November 13th at Chuck E. Cheese.
 - e. Family Fun Knight – Christine Isaacs reported that the bowling night needed to be canceled due to lack of participants. Another bowling event might be attempted during the winter months.
 - f. Fun Lunch – Erin Slattery and Christine Isaacs reported they are thinking of going paperless next year with Fun Lunch orders.
 - g. School Directory – Julie Keen and Kimberly Bartkowiak requested that anyone without their Directory App to contact the PTO through the email, kbcpto@gmail.com, and they will re-send the email for the link.
 - h. Special Needs Committee – Julie Keen reported that their craft show is coming up November 14th, Saturday, from 9am-4pm.
 - i. Sports Skills & Game Night – Nicole Fabbri expressed an interest in creating ideas for the night to become profitable for the PTO. It was suggested that she discuss ideas with Clay first and see how attendance the first few event nights are. They will give dates to Communications.
 - j. Yearbook – Jennifer Lycan reported she is accepting the 5th grade child photos to place in the yearbook. A parent had emailed her and requested if divorced parents can each submit a photo. To be fair to all students, only one photo per student will be placed in the 5th grade section. It was reminded that any addition photos could be placed in the personalized section of the book.

VIII. Open Discussion

1. Lisa Tingler addressed how W.A.T.C.H. Dog's are handled. Some parents feel they sign up and never see their child, or are intruding on classroom time. It was stated that the purpose of the W.A.T.C.H Dog is to be a presence in the whole school, not just a classroom, but any certain requests, regarding placement for the day, can be made when signing up. It was re-assured that teachers are aware of the W.A.T.C.H. Dog and they are certainly welcome in all classes.

Next meeting will be November 19th, 2015 at 7:00pm in the school library.

Julie Keen adjourned the meeting, at 8:20pm.

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Kimberly Bartkowiak, Kaneland Blackberry Creek PTO Secretary, respectfully submitted the meeting minutes.