

St. Bernadette PTO Meeting Minutes May 18, 2021; zoom meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm. Officers present: President Jeni Fulton, Exiting President Kelly Brokamp, Secretary Denise Byrum, Member at Large Julie Schultz. Opening prayer led by Denise Byrum.

Principal's Update (Mrs. Ingram):

Registration: Online registration worked well. Teacher assignments for the next year have been announced. At this point, there are 196 registered students which is an increase, as well as 56 registered for the preschool. There are several transfer students.

Retirement: Miss Julie Selm is retiring, being celebrated at field day awards (video, presentation, Kudoboard)

Graduation: 8th grade activities and graduation planned to honor the students. The 8th grade will be giving funds to cover the cost of a kiln for art class.

Upcoming Dates for 2021-22 school year: Wednesday, August 25 is first day; Meet the Teacher is August 23. Calendar will be released soon.

Updates:

- **Walkathon (Jessica Benkelmann):** Went well; over \$9800 raised after costs which is a very good result. Kids enjoyed and were eager to run so more plans needed for next year to add another lap or other physical challenge activities. Kona Ice went well, but would prefer earlier in the day. Great job to Jessi for her leadership!
- **Larosa's Night (Jenn Pikal):** It has successfully raised \$2155 this school year. Thanks for supporting and promoting it. It is possible to start earlier (September) next year and run through June.
- **Family Fun Night (Jeni Fulton):** Lots of fun for students and their families. Not dark enough for the movie so kids had jokes and intermission. Games and fellowship made it a great event for parents and students.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week (Jeni Fulton):** Went well and enjoyed by the staff. PTO gave extra this year for teachers due to the increased work with covid protocols. Snacks in the teacher lounge furnished by PTO.
- **West Clermont Lunch staff:** Thank you gift for their assistance this year with the school lunches. They will be working with St. Bernadette to provide lunch in our cafeteria next year.
- **School kits (Jennifer Harris):** Due June 11, school will get cash back; many news orders from Family Fun Night.

New Business:

- **PTO (Jeni Fulton):** Leadership opportunities for those who wish to get involved. Social committee could use assistance, as plans continue for a full year of events in 2021-22. For those who want to volunteer, we have a need for help. Amanda Marsh (meet and greet coordinator for Kindergarten) needs help with the events and welcome sign placement. VP position is open. Spiritwear coordinator position to work with Julie Tipton.
- **Treasurers' Report:** end of the year report in progress
- **Boxtops (Christina Boss):** Need someone else to help with this to revitalize. It is not easy to do classroom challenges or incentives anymore. Easy to forget since the program is scanning. Difficult for some receipts to scan. Do we abandon or just get what we can get from a low maintenance program? Use as a passive fundraiser without much effort.
- **Field Day (Jeni Fulton):** Still need a couple of volunteers. Free lunch--Kroger sandwich platters.
- **Morning Drop Off process:** Seems to work well, much safer even if kids get out of the wrong side of the car. Very little issue with backup onto the street with the way that the drop off has worked each morning. Hope that this will continue.
- **THANKS TO KELLY BROKAMP!** Congratulations on reestablishing the PTO and your many years of leadership and service to St. Bernadette. St. Bernadette will be better because of your playground updates and other work.

Meeting adjourned 8:12 pm. Minutes submitted by Denise Byrum.

The minutes from the March 2021 meeting were approved by the Board and have been posted on the PTO website.