

Blake PTO Meeting Minutes

September 24, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00. Jeanette Hasapidis welcomed everyone.

Attendees- Mary Kelly Narwocki, Jeannetter Hasapidis, Melissa Clancy, Heidi Lusby
Regrets: Nat Vaughn

Board	Co-President	Jeanette Hasapidis
	Co-President	Mary Kelly Narwocki
	Vice President	Heidi Lusby
	Treasurer	Elizabeth Behrman
	Secretary	Melissa Clancy

President's Report

Jeannette Hasapidis

Re-cap of last year's PTO accomplishments

- Purchased outdoor shed
- Apple computers
- Funded seventh grade Creature Feature project
- Paid for bus transportation for student project
- Funded singer for Spanish
- Funded Challenge Success
- Supplies, new books,
- Bimonthly breakfast for the teachers and luncheons which are, three special events that we plan for every year for the teachers
- Lead the start of a discussion regarding goals for this PTO board
 - School infrastructure or equipment needs?
 - More visibility to the school community - how and with what vision?
 - Help the 8th grade class fund raise for their Washington DC trip?
 - Members agreed to come to the next meeting with ideas for fundraising and ideas for PTO contribution to the school community this year.
- The school's request for families to donate gently used playground games, balls, etc. was discussed.
 - The PTO agreed to grant two hundred dollars to playground equipment.

Treasurer's Report

Elizabeth Behrman

Re-cap of last year's PTO accomplishments

- A new account has been established at Needham bank
- Bank change is still transitioning,
- Three weeks will provide a revised budget and format change

Vice President's Report

Heidi Lusby

- Transition from last year's PTO Vice President occurred and went smoothly.
- Looking for a hospitality person
- August teacher luncheon went smooth

Secretary's Report

Melissa Clancy

- Learning about Google Drive organization and uploading minutes. Will be connected with former PTO secretary.

Funding Requests

New Grants Presented and Discussed at the meeting:

- Blake Auditorium Electric Screen requested by Jon Haycock. \$1,913.75 . Approved.
- 3 one hour long presentations entitled " A Visit from a Pompeian Slave Presentation" requested by Deb Manning. \$725. This will be for 7th graders. Approved.
- Dystopian literature through books of choice requested by Ann Marie Fratoliilo. \$1500. PTO in favor of the idea, but going back with clarifying questions on book and cost. Not approved at this time.
 - POST Meeting Note: a revised request with book details and final cost of \$900, was approved and the teacher and Nat Vaughn were notified.
- PTO granted \$200 for recess equipment.