

Bay Trail Meeting Minutes 1/26/2023

Called to order – 7:00

Principal's Report – Dr. Robert Snyder

- The end of the Quarter is upon us and end on January 30th. The grades section of the Parent Portal will not go 'down' like in the past. Grades are live and will stay active during the end of the quarter.
- Friday, February 3rd will be '**Just One Day**'. There will be three jars in each House office for any voluntary monetary donations from students. All proceeds will be donated to the Al Siegel Center. A prize will be awarded to the House that donates the most money and the grade that donates the most money.
- There will be a schoolwide Activity Day on February 17th. There will be a modified schedule and the students will be able to pick from a list of activities that they will participate in, in the afternoon.
- Bay Trail will be celebrating the beginning of the Black Student Union club. There will be a breakfast held on February 15th with the high school Black Student Union club.
- There was a lunch celebrating parent volunteers for the Bay Trail Library on Wednesday, January 25th. Thank you to all our parents who help with our library!
- Stay tuned for a very special announcement about the future of the outside grounds at Bay Trail!!!! Something new is coming in July!
- The next DEI meeting will be held on February 9th. The goal is to start having monthly meetings.
- There is a focus and prioritization of social and emotional restorative training for staff as well as relationship building for all students with the counselors at Bay Trail.
- An all-school dance will be held on March 24th. Time TBD.
- A semi-formal 8th grade dance will take place on May 19th. Time and theme TBD.

Teachers report – Danielle Santoro

- Danielle has created a Microsoft Form for teachers to report any updates that can be given at the PTA meetings.
- The Enrichment Department has been working on zentangle projects. Please remember these activities are for everyone!
- The music department had 40 students attend a solo festival. Twenty of those students made All County! There will be another competition in the spring for anyone in band, chorus and/or orchestra.
- Danielle asked Dr. Snyder if PTA updates could be added to their faculty meetings.
- Danielle is also working on teacher membership.

BOE report – Christin Harley

- The Mosaic Club presented an propose that Columbus Day/Indigenous People Day be changed solely to Indigenous People Day.
- Several Bay Trail 6th grade students recently participated in an enrichment unit in persuasive writing. Topics included: Should e-sports be in the Olympics?, Should schools assign homework?, Should animals live in zoo? The students who chose to write about the Olympics asked teacher Sherill Moon to send their letters to IOC President Thomas Bach. In response, they recently received a letter of recognition from the IOC, as well as Olympic pins!
- The next Community Conversation meeting will take place on March 29th.
- High School graduation will go back to taking place at RIT.

- The Boards next meeting will be held on February 7th.
- All meeting minutes can be found at: <https://go.boarddocs.com/ny/penfield/Board.nsf/Public>

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report – Raluca

- December was a quiet month. The concert flower sales brought in \$998 in revenue.
- One parent membership was purchased.
- Amazon Smile will be discontinuing their program, so income will no longer be part of our PTA budget.

Webside Update – Sae

- The attendees agreed upon Sae's questioning if we are pleased with the new website and is it worth the money being spent. The expense is \$5 a month.
- Kristen Ballister to provide a list of committees for Sae to post to the site to hopefully inform our parents and hopefully obtain volunteers for future endeavors.

Moving Up Day – Kristen Ballister

- Steve Eccleston and Kristen met on January 26th to walk through expectations for MUD and who will be responsible for each task. Steve and Kristen will start meeting once a month starting in March to talk about progress with the committee.

General Updates – Tracey

- The Town of Penfield has begun planning for Memorial Day 2023. As part of the observance, they are holding their annual essay writing contest. <https://www.penfield.org/Recreation%20Site/Documents/2023%20essay%20contest.pdf> This contest is supported by American Legion Braman Post 1229. Please click on the link below to access all information including theme for this year's contest as well as the guidelines. **Entries are due by May 5, 2023.** The top three winners will each receive a cash prize and will read their work as part of the **Memorial Day Observance on Monday, May 29**, at Veterans Memorial Park.

PAB – Tracey

- Sixth grade Bay Trail teacher Rachael Wyman received the Golden Apple award. Please read the article and watch the video when Channel 8 surprised our teacher! <https://www.rochesterfirst.com/news/golden-apple/golden-apple-congratulations-to-rachael-wyman/>
- Next school year's calendar will be released at the end of January.
- An update was given on the new UPK program. The ultimate goal for this program is to not have a lottery system and for all Penfield residents to attend.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 16th at 7pm. Please join us in person in the Bay Trail Library or through a zoom link that will be shared via Facebook, Twitter and our PTA website the week of the meeting.

Adjourned 8:06