

Bay Trail PTA Meeting - Minutes

February 29, 2024 – Virtual meeting

Called to order - 7:01pm

- Approval of January Meeting Minutes: Jessica Trong, Danielle Santoro

Principal's Report – Dr. Rob Snyder

- Quarterly Town Hall with students starting
 - Review shared spaces expectations, report of high frequency of visits to school nurse
 - Review DASA guidelines; stop harmful language – high instance of referrals still
 - Caring Community ambassadors selected who will work with peers on top issues
- SDM (Shared Decision Making) Meeting
 - Partner with PHS with 6-12 lens on code of conduct. Infinite Campus alignment to restorative practices
- DEI Meeting
 - Recapped Black History Month events; Door decorating contest with scavenger hunt to learn facts about Black history
 - Focus on student needs surrounding Physical space and Student voice
- Hiring Season
 - Bay Trail has 7-8 retirements this year. Parent reps will be needed for the interview committee(s). Please let Dr. Snyder know if you are interested in participating
- Upcoming school events
 - Climate Planning Committee: create template to track school climates across district
 - Sponge Bob Jr musical, March 8th-10th
 - Improv group to visit school March 25th.

BOE Report – Krista Khan (*not able to attend meeting - shared update through email*)

- There was a presentation at the last board meeting, 2-13-24, by L. Watt, C. Roods, A. Herve', and A. Perry about the Alternative Achievement /Tutoring Center.
- Mr. M. Gala, Director of Transportation, gave his annual transportation update and our current DOT rating is 98.67%
- Dr. D. Driffill, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance, gave a business update that included the local levy calculation aka the 'tax cap' and the draft expenditure budget for the 2024-2025 school year.
- A text was approved for Grade 7 ELA called Before the Ever After.
- School calendar for 2024-2025 was discussed, amended, and approved by the Board to read Indigenous People's Day.
- Short reports by Board members who attended various MCSBA committee meetings
- All Board meeting agendas and minutes are accessible online by visiting the Penfield CSD website and clicking on the School Board tab. Links in the left navigation bar will direct you to individual resources.
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Teacher's Report – Danielle Santoro

- Roost updates:
 - Marvelous March – weekly themes with focus on:
 - 1st week - Stay safe in the halls, 2nd week – Getting to class on time, 3rd week – Having all materials ready (charged laptops, all materials), 4th – week Recap of previous 3 weeks
 - Students earn tickets to go into drawing for prize baskets, with rewards such as 'Take Out Tuesday' – Gift Certificates to local restaurants
- 7th Graders participating in music performances at Seabreeze June 6th/7th

Treasurer's Report – Michaela Wall

- Reviewed opening and current account balances
- As of 2/29 we still have 87 memberships purchased for the 2023-24 school year. If you haven't yet purchased your membership, you can visit our online store at: [BT PTA Membership](#)
- Battle of the books; PTA has a budget of \$450 to support this program, and a check will be given to Mrs. Trish Hart, head of the Battle of the books team
- Bay Trail has a Box Tops for education account – additional source of fundraising income

President's Report – Jessica Trong & Kate Torok

- PAB (Parent Advisory Board) meeting held on 2/12 and was hosted virtually by the Scriber PTA
Main topics of discussion included:
 - Sale of Atlantic land parcel. Sold to neighbor who indicates they plan to keep as green space
 - 3 Board seats open for 2024-25 school year. Packets for interested candidates will be available 3/1 at district office
 - 2024-25 School Calendar approved (can be found on district website)
 - Next year budget currently in development – due to state foundation aid cuts, residents will most likely see an increase in taxes
 - Bay Trail will be hosting the next PAB meeting on March 11th
- Bottle/Can Fundraising update
 - Kick off collection event occurred Saturday, February 17th
 - Several donors stopped by with their returnables – thank you for braving the elements!!
 - The event brought in 2,203 items for a fundraising total of \$110.15
 - Ongoing donations can be made at any Upstate Bottle return location - mention the Bay Trail PTA account.
- Call for Volunteers
 - Tonya Frank has volunteered to lead the Spring Spirit wear fundraiser, but we would love a few more volunteers to assist with order pick-up/delivery (April sale with May delivery time-frame)
 - 8th Grade Dance & Moving up: We have a potential chairperson, but still need committee members
 - Scholarship Committee (Need chair and committee members)
 - PHS award ceremony is scheduled for 5/29 at 7pm. Committee representation needed at event to give out the two \$500 awards to winners

Meeting Adjourned – 7:23pm

Meeting Attendees: Kate Torok, Jessica Trong, Mindy Staba, Michaela Wall, Rob Snyder, Danielle Santoro, Molly Menge Maguire, Sae Park, Tonya Frank, Laura Wilks and Keith Wall