



## BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL

### Parent Teacher Organization Meeting Minutes



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April 11, 2023

**Start time: 7:06pm**

#### **President's Welcome and Comments** Marissa Nolfi

Hi everyone ! Hope everyone had a great spring break. We have Dr. O here to talk about middle school choices and also Lauri to spread awareness to Bedminster about The Friends Forever Camp.

#### **Elementary Principal's Report:** Principal Corby Swan

We had fun with Spirit Week thanks to the Student Council. Students and staff dressed up in some really cool outfits and we enjoyed ourselves.

Our K - 4 students were treated to a Dental Assembly visit from Dr. Stella Mellas from Mellas Orthodontics in Basking Ridge. Dr. Mellas taught students about dental health and gave them a fun goodie bag.

We also held Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences based on teacher requests. Thank you to all who participated.

Grades will be available on April 12, 2023, at 4:30 pm via our Genesis Parent Portal.

Thank you to the PTO for all that you do.

#### **Teacher Representative:** Jennifer Holzberger

April 19<sup>th</sup> Wellness Wednesday dress in colors day.

The French class the last three years has been participating in Madame Musica. Our kids were involved with many students from other countries. I have some of our students entering in contest. We have one art contest animation, one in the lego animation, one who sang one of the songs, groups that made their own video of songs.

Pictures of the green and wellness team and some of the drop offs they did over at the animal shelter.

Spring concerts are coming up

Mr McCoy 8<sup>th</sup> grade class were outside reenacting battle scenes. Was fun to watch and see them participating.

Ms Mitchell Math class doing red light green light game in the hallway

Miss Mancini had a Mario day

Please visit the PTO website to view the slideshow presentation

**Board of Education Report:** Suzie Stevinson

No report

**Secretary's Report:** Danielle Fredella

Correspondence- none at this time

All PTO Meeting Minutes Reports can be found on our websites & social media

**Treasurer's Report** Jessica Pascale, Treasurer

- Report is available on PTO website [www.bedminsterpto.org](http://www.bedminsterpto.org)
- **Inflows: \$16,205.00**
- **Outflows: \$1,686.58**
- Main Account Balance: \$81,045.54
- 50/50 Raffle Account Balance: \$1,705.00
- Total Cash Available: \$82,750.54
- PTO will be collecting memberships via PayPal friends and family at [btsptotreasury@gmail.com](mailto:btsptotreasury@gmail.com)

**New Business**

**Spring Fling:** Executive Board April 28, 2023

Hope everyone will be joining us. We are all working very hard to make the night successful.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Ramsey Melendez

Fundraiser Friday night is Movie Night for grades k-4. They will be watching Paddington. April 22<sup>nd</sup> will be a fundraiser at Bucky's Car Wash . Percentage will go back to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Dance coming up in June and also the DC trip.

**PR/Social:** Ramsey Melendez and Ann Van Druff

Very busy with Spring Fling . So much to share daily.

## **Board Elections:** Marissa Nolfi

Notify the Executive Board by April 15<sup>th</sup> if you are interested in running for a position. Elections will be held at the May 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 PTO meeting.

## **Friends Forever Summer Camp:** Lauri Favreau & Laura Gallagher (School Counselor & Speech Pathologist)

We decided to come to Bedminster to do one week of camp . We will be doing a social camp the week of July 24<sup>th</sup>. We will also be in Bernardsville for two weeks. Basically every day we will go over social skills, awareness, feelings, confidence and friendship. We will make it fun doing crafts.

**Presentation:** Middle School Choices (online, social media, mental awareness, boundary setting)- Dr. Elizabeth Omegna (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> principal), Ms. Krista Deckhut (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) school counselor/ social worker & Ms. Jen Sabo (thrive counselor) Hi everyone so good to see you. We have been trying since kids came back from pandemic even with that and computers and social media on how student interact in and out of school. How all of this has impacted their social skills in some way. We started this year with social groups . We have cards on the table to do raffle . Please feel free to put information on the card if like to try and win copy of the book.

Please visit the PTO website to see the slide show presentation

### **\*Public Questions & Comments:**

This portion will be held to a 15-minute limit. We politely ask that each speaker limit his or her time to 5 minutes for comments and/or questions in regard to any agenda point or any other topic related to the PTO. If any written documents are to be given to the PTO Executive Board, please email them to the Board Secretary, Marissa Nolfi, 2 days in advance of the meeting date. [pto@bedminsterschool.org](mailto:pto@bedminsterschool.org)

## **\*Old Business**

### **PTO Membership: Donations are always welcome!**

Executive Board

- \$15 per Family
- Memberships fees will be collected virtually through PayPal friends & family using the email [btsptotreasury@gmail.com](mailto:btsptotreasury@gmail.com)
- Forms can also be found on our website.

## **Ongoing Committees**

## **PTO Meeting Schedule: \*All meetings will be held in room 315\***

- May 9, 2023
- June 13, 2023

Please note: All meetings are subject to change at any time.

**Assemblies:** Fareeha Rahim

**Spirit Wear Annual Sale:** Melissa Kircher and Jessica Pascale

**Bulletin Boards:** Danielle Fredella and Marissa Nolfi

**Homeroom Parents:** Ramsey Melendez and Danielle Fredella

Staff Luncheon will be on May 10<sup>th</sup>. I will be sending something out with information.

**8th Grade:** Suzie Stevinson, Melissa Kircher and Mimi Brown

**PR/Social:** Ramsey Melendez and Ann Van Druff

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Twitter: coming soon!

**Donations & Corporate Matching:** Executive Board

Still going on, reach out if your company has a match program.

**Helping Hands:** Suzie Stevinson

**Wellness Committee:** Marissa Nolfi

April 22<sup>nd</sup> is earth day so kids will wear green and blue. Both the green team and wellness have been making morning announcements. We took a trip to the regional animal shelter. Kids did a great job collecting food for the animals.

Ms. G applied for a \$10,000 grant through America Water to help pay for expenses involved in inspecting the detention basin. If the board approves this the fence will be replaced around the playground to make more grass for the students.

Ms. G and Mrs. Regoza are working on doing a food waste audit.

**Closing Notes:** Marissa Nolfi, President

Thank you all for coming and for the volunteers that helped out for this spring fling.

**Next meeting will be May 9, 2023 at 7:00pm in Room 315**

**This meeting date is subject to change.**

**Meeting Closed at 8:12 pm**

***\*COMMENTS – We welcome any comments from the floor. However, please direct any questions specifically pertaining to your child(ren) to the appropriate person after the meeting or to the appropriate administrator during school hours. This meeting is recorded for the purpose of drafting a minutes report and to have a factual record of the meeting once minutes are submitted.***