

## **Bowman Open Optional 4th Quarter Meeting Minutes 2016-2017 School Year**

Meeting Facilitator: Chris MacKay, BOOP Chairperson

Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 5, 2017

Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**1. Welcome** - Chris Mackay, BOOP Co-Chair

**2. Approval of 3rd Quarter Meeting Minutes.** Unanimously passed.

### **3. Reports**

**a. Teacher Reports:** *Melissa* reported K is going well. They are working on their fairytale plays and growing dalias. *Melissa* thanked *Chrissy* for organizing the Children's Lunchbox, which was a great project across grades.

1/2 - *Melissa* reported for *Rosalind* and *Shoshona*. 1/2 has been studying world geography and culture.

3/4 - No report given.

5/6 - *Matt* reported the 6th graders are finding irregular shapes in Math and the 5th graders recently took a unit assessment and did great - he's proud of their growth. In Science, they have been studying energy conversions. *Linda* reported on the success of the Ellis Island Simulation and thanked families for volunteering. The simulation was held at the BP Energy Center. Students are sharing their immigration slide shows.

**b. Principal Report:** No report given.

**c. PTA Liaison:** No report given.

**d. Family Group Liaison Report:** *Samantha Mellen* reported the 3/4 classroom is looking for parent support next week to work on Alaskan Native drums. She also solicited liaison for next year. *Jocelyn* Are agreed to be the liaison for Kindergarten and *Paula Fish* for 2nd grade.

**e. Community Service Report:** *Sara Paulson*, coordinator for community service committee reported on the BOOP Children's Lunchbox collaboration. She also reported the next Stay and Make it project will be Tuesday, April 11th after school. Kids will be putting together Easter baskets for families in need at Bowman and beyond. Everyone is welcome to stay after school and help with this project. *Sara* is still collecting donations for the Easter baskets. Other projects are in the works for the future. A few Bowman families are going through some tough times and donations of grocery gift cards, gas cards and household items are welcome.

**f. Treasurers Report:** *Doug* shared the financial report. The group discussed the use of Paypal and decided to keep it, even though there is a fee associated with using it.

### **5. Old Business**

**a. Mini Course Recap:** *Allison Raye* shared information via a report from *Sharon Flowers* and herself. There were outstanding course leaders, plentiful parent volunteers and thriving students. Thank you to everyone who supported this event. They were able to cover all the costs with the fees collected. All scholarships were covered and there was a little left to carryover for next year. Based on feedback from the surveys and the teachers, next year the Mini Course event will be in February again for 2 whole school days. They are soliciting additional committee members for next

year. Currently, Allison Raye, Sharon Flowers and Frances Kahn are the committee and 2 more members would be great.

**b. Homer Sea Week-** Paula Fish and Kathleen Moore reported on the latest information. They solicited feedback about the Homer location and the possibility of changing the location. The general consensus was to keep the activity at Homer. The owner of Ocean Shores has passed away and despite the committees best efforts, they have been unable to determine whether or not this campground will open up before Homer Sea Week. They have reserved the Bishop Beach Pavilion (for free) for Friday through Saturday evening. There are picnic tables, 2 charcoal grills and a covered area for our exclusive use. This is where a Friday night dinner and Saturday evening barbecue will take place. Also, arts and crafts and field games will occur at this location. One of the committee members shared a parent (not in attendance at the meeting) brought up the fact that there is limited parking at Bishops Beach. Kathleen shared one of the other RV parks that is open for rental also owns a shuttle bus and was willing to shuttle people back and forth for a small fee. The form went home for the Homer Sea Week tee shirt orders and contest. The committee is looking for volunteers to lead activities in Homer (from games to tide pooling to field games to camp songs). An accommodation suggestion list was passed out to everyone in attendance. Many meeting attendees thanked the committee for their hard work and for trying to accommodate the unforeseen change of events.

**c. Open Volunteer Positions** - Many people stepped up to fill positions for the upcoming school year. The following people volunteered for steering committee positions: Chris MacKay - Member at Large, Caren Walters - Treasurer, Cori Carlson - Secretary. The membership unanimously voted the group onto the Steering Committee. Other people volunteered for the following positions: Katie Schrooten will chair the caroling and skating party and Meara Boling will chair the garage sale.

**d. 5th/6th Grade Seward Sea Life Center Update-** The group is still needing to fundraise and will be selling SteamDot bags of coffee for the next few weeks. Volunteers will also be selling cups of coffee outside in the mornings. The trip is at the end of the month. Jonathan White has donated all this coffee and many parents expressed their appreciation for this.

## **6. New Business**

**a. Approval of 2017-2018 Budget** - Doug Sopp reported the majority of the budget will remain the same for next year. Discussion about the budget ensued. A motion was made to add a line item for the 5/6 trip with a budget of \$2500, to get rid of the food supplies line item and to increase the 6th grade book gift budget to \$500. Motion carried and budget was approved.

**b. Approval of Dates for 2017-2018** - Chris disseminated a list of proposed dates for 2017-2018. Quarterly Meetings will be: 9/6/2017, 11/15/2017, 1/24/2018, 4/4/2018.

**7. Meeting Adjourned** at 7:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: September 6th at 6:00 p.m.