

## **Bowman Open Optional 2nd Quarter Meeting Minutes 2017-2018 School Year**

**Meeting Facilitator:** Steve Heinle, BOOP Chairperson

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, November 15, 2017

**Meeting Time:** 6:00-7:00

### **1. Welcome**

**2. Smoothie and Bake Sale Report:** Junko MacKay reports that there was \$1000 in sales the first day and \$700 the second day. \$400-500 was spent on additional supplies. The kids worked hard! There will be another sale in February during conferences. More volunteers are needed in the lunch rush. Sign up for supplies and baked goods will go out 2 weeks before and then again at 1 week.

**3. Approval of the 1st Quarter Minutes:** Motion to approve by Meara Boling, seconded by Tricia Skitt

### **4. Reports:**

**a. Teacher Updates:** *Melissa* reports that Kindergarten is going great! She reports that she is organizing a STEM night January 28 from 6-8pm. There is a planning meeting November 28 and all parents are welcome to get involved. She is looking for hands-on science and math activities. *Rosalind and Shoshona* report that Fish Science day was a great success. They will be beginning their study of light and sound in science. *Joel* reports that their Inca project is beginning and students can begin their dioramas. The Living Museum is January 17, where the students will present. He reports that they are working on taking notes. Star Reader passwords will be going home soon. *Cindy* reported that math games are being sent home and it is going well. They are working on multiplication, place value, and number sense. Dream Box is being used several times a week, allowing Cindy to work with students individually. In Science, Cindy is having different people give presentations on energy and learning what is renewable and non-renewable energy. They will be building a windmill. She reports knitting and crocheting is going well and they are making wash cloths to distribute to shelters. *Matt* report that 5th grade math is focusing on geometry, metric system, and adding and subtracting fractions. The 6th grade is studying area and perimeter. In Science, they are studying geology, plate tectonics and astronomy begins in January. *Linda* reports that she and Matt are team teaching the SEL curriculum. Ms. Faas will do a kids to college unit. They are continuing on with Lucy Caulkins. The 5/6 graders started a class business with a grant from World Scholars. The class business promotes entrepreneurs and teaches responsibility that reaches past parents, gives the students the responsibility of running a business. They are selling cards and flower arrangements for Thanksgiving. Learning lessons on credit, quality control and developing new products.

**b. Principal Report:** Mr. Freeman reports that Bowman enrollment is not down as it was reported in the rest of the district. There are 540 full time students and 610 total. New Parent connection is up online to allow parents to check grades, add money

to lunch cards, and email teachers. The 3rd-6th grades will be taking the MAP assessment in December for a midpoint checkup. Testing begins where they left off in the last assessment. Teachers are working with students to take their time, so an accurate look can be given.

**c. Bowman PTA:** Kathleen Moore, PTA president, says thank you for all the help with the fall carnival. She reports, yearbooks can be ordered now at a cheaper rate. Please submit pictures for the yearbook and the PTA camera can be checked out at the office. She encourages families to connect their Fred Meyer account to Bowman as the school will get money back. The PTA is looking for volunteers for the 6th grade moving on ceremony at the end of the year. The next PTA meeting is this Friday.

**d. Treasurer Report:** Carren Walters, BOOP Treasurer, reports that a \$2000 donation was made. \$1000 is to be allocated to 6th grade camp and \$1000 can go to anything that is not related to electronics. She reports that we are still missing supply fees and the BOOP suggested donations. Steve Heinle discusses how to bring in the remainder of the supply fees—maybe through the liaisons? Joel brings up that the supply fees are not only for supplies but to offset costs of field trips and special events. A scholarship form was brought up for next year.

**e. Mini Course Update:** Sharon Flowers reports a great start to mini courses! Some of the offerings are: K-6 Downhill skiing, Theater, Snow Much Fun with Melissa for the youngsters, Sara P. will do with the elders, 5-6 Climbing/Yoga, Mock Trial, Aviation, Lego Robotics, The Learning Farm, Arctic Explorers, Mini Picassos, Dragons, Cooking Class. Sharon needs someone to organize volunteers through sign up genius, organize drivers for field trips, etc.

**f. Winter Crafts:** Teachers report that they have decided on crafts and are now taking inventory of supplies. Volunteers will be needed the day of. Allison Raye will be putting out a supply list for needed supplies.

**g. Community Service Report:** Steve Heinle reports for Sara Paulson, the community service coordinator. There were tons of socks donated for Socktober! A gear swap took place to supply kids with gear. There were 12 boxes of candy sent to the troops after Halloween. The Thanksgiving basket signup was filled in record time. Christmas baskets will be coming up. The Book Fair will have a Giving Tree. Her hope is to include kids more and she will be meeting with 5/6 about community service opportunities.

**h. 5/6 Fundraising Report:** Steve Heinle to report for Kate Bartlett. A Lip sync pancake dinner or school dance is in the works for future fundraising opportunities.

## 5. Old Business

**a. Open Volunteer Positions:** Vice Chair needed!

**i. BOOP Tours:** Kathleen Sopp to continue through January and then new person needed. The guide will present the BOOP video and then walk around to classrooms. Joel reminded the importance of seeing the program in action. Mr. Freeman said he would be happy to step in as he is also a parent.

**b. Online Resources**

**i. BOOP Website**

1. [bowmanoptional.com](http://bowmanoptional.com)

**ii. Facebook**

**1. BOOP Group**

**iii. BOOP Directory:** A reminder to all families to go online to [bowmanoptional.com](http://bowmanoptional.com) to complete directory information.

**6. New Business**

**a. 5/6 Project- 907 Bobcats**

**b. What else?**

**c. What is Renaissance Reading?** Renaissance reading-STAR reading to give students reading levels and a huge online leveled reading library. Not mandatory in BOOP, but teachers use to get a quick assessment of a reading level. Teachers report that they are utilizing this program.

**d. Class Room Fees?** It was discussed how to bring about a higher percentage of families to pay the class room fees .

**e. Garage Sale:** Meara Boling reports and has headed up the every other year garage sale. Every year about \$2000 is raised. The garage sale will be early this year, on April 21st. It's an easy way to raise money for the BOOP program. Volunteers are needed for the few days leading up for setting up and day of help. Sign up genius will be sent out closer to the date.