

2020/21 3rd Quarter meeting Agenda

1. Committee Welcome

- I. Steering committee welcome; the meeting is recorded and available in Google Drive; a link for it can be sent to anyone wanting to view it.
- II. 2nd quarter meeting notes motion to approve. Meeting minutes approved. Minutes can be found on Bowman Optional website.
- III.

2. Reports

Principal

- I. Mr. Freeman
 - A. Kids and teachers are happy to be back in person. Kids are sanitizing on a daily basis and washing hands regularly. Pick up and drop off is going very well; the neighborhood and there have been no complaints. Teachers are finding gaps in learning and also successes. There will be opportunities for summer school, which will be announced soon.
 1. Next year Lisa will be moving on to a new position in the Anchorage School District in the fall and Ryan will be returning to the neighborhood program. Rosalind will move to the 3rd/4th family group. Interviews will be occurring for another teacher for the 1st/2nd family group and 3rd/4th family group.

Teacher reports

- I. K Melissa

Kindergarteners are excited to be back in school, seeing friends, and playing. The focus has been on writing, the children studied nocturnal animals and wrote a book on them. They are now studying planets and the solar system. They were able to go on a virtual field trip and haven an upcoming one with the Anchorage Museum.
- 1/2 RoSho Rosiland and Shoshauna

The students have been writing non fiction, character studies, fundamentals of writing, and focusing on comprehension of books. In math elders are working on measuring. Youngers are working on math comparisons. The children are excited to be back at school, are motivated, and have adapted well to the safety protocols. Soon they will be studying a unit on money and engineering.
- 3/4 Lisa and Ryan

The students are in a routine and mina is being built for reading, writing, and academics which is great to see. In language arts, 3rd graders have started spelling tests (they're excited) and the lists will become more difficult each week. 3rd and 4th graders will start an animal research project for language arts. Both grades are studying fractions in math. Lisa nad Ryan have noticed students in both grades need to continue to practice their mathematical facts because fluency is important.
- 5/6 Linda and Mike

The 3rd quarter began online and the students easily and happily transitioned to the classroom. 5th graders are working on fractions and 6th graders are working

on integers and negative numbers. The students have been working on a climate science unit; looking at how the climate is changing and what could be causing the change. This is leading into a writing project and an eventual brochure they will be making. Linda and Mike are both teaching math and ELA (writing, reading). Three students joined 5th grade this year and it was great meeting them in person. The class has been going on daily nature walks on the boardwalk. They are using it as an outdoor classroom and a great way to get the students outside.

PTA

I. Sang Schrid

A. Thank you to the families, who provided snacks for the teachers making last week special.

1. Picture Day is March 30. Reach out to Sang if you are interested in helping
2. This year the yearbook is only going to include portrait shots of students and staff due to COVID.
3. Boxtop apps, Amazon Smiles, and Fred Myers are great fundraising opportunities
4. The PTA is looking for a new vendor for spirit gear.
5. There will be a new PTA board next year. (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, school business partnership are all available)

Treasurer report

I. Jessica Short

A. Budget is updated as of today. Teacher reimbursements still coming in

1. 85% of student contributions have been received. There are additional contributions from families to help others, reach out to the BOOP steering committee if you would benefit from assistance.
2. There have been no matching or corporate donations this year
3. Fundraising in general has been significantly less due to the large fundraisers not occurring.
4. Over budget on school supplies, which was to be expected due to the need for home and classroom supplies.
5. Winter crafts/mini courses will not occur so money can be reallocated.
6. Paypal charges a fee, need to look at what it is costing the program

Community Service

I. Sara Paulson and Kyong Green

A. Families at Bowman, Oceanview, and Klatt were helped during the holidays, which was roughly 40 families. Kyong will be posting the food pantry needs soon, the pantry is currently empty. Items can be sent to school with students, label them for Ms. Paulson and the teachers will make sure they get to her. There will not be Easter Baskets this year. The link to food pantry on Bowman Optional website

3. Old Business

- I. Mabel Labels fundraiser- successful, several checks have come in.

4. New Business

- I. Program Tours- Monday and Tuesday there will be virtual tours for the entire school. Mr. Freeman will be putting together a virtual tour for BOOP with the teachers, more information to come.
- II. 6th grade moving on- Dr. Seuss book for each student, they need to be ordered soon.
- III. Reflex math- 3rd through 5th graders are using it; it helps with math fluency. Lisa and Mike received a grant for it last year, which is expiring. Ryan has one for roughly 40 students until next school year. It was agreed during the meeting that BOOP will fund the other half needed (roughly 35 student slots). This will be revisited again in the fall.
- IV. Mike is going to be going to a workshop on Ready Math, which is used in middle school; he may use the program for 6th grade. ASD is providing \$40,000 to BOOP for math curriculum (teacher development, Bridges, etc.) since the district math program is not used.
- V. Kindergarten Dahlia sales will be happening if people are interested. (kindergarteners will grow them); contact Melissa or BOOP if you are willing to help.
- VI. Shoshana is having a baby soon and Sara Paulson will be teaching with Rosalind while Shoshana is on maternity leave.

5. Upcoming Dates

- I. BOOP 4th Quarter Meeting will be at the end of april or the beginning of May
- II. Homer Sea Week: May 7th and 8th- is unofficially happening. There will not be any group/school planned activities but several families are going.