

BOOP 4th quarter meeting 4/20/2021 - Agenda

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1. Steering committee welcome
 - a. Approve 3rd quarter meeting minutes: Meeting minutes approved. Minutes can be found on Bowman Optional website.
 - b. Welcome baby bobcat Finch! Shoshanna had her baby boy!
2. Reports
 - a. Principal - Mr. Freeman
 - i. School is going well and the kids are happy. Protocols put in place have been successful. Opportunities for kids to start playing with kids in other classes are now happening during recess. Spirit days for the last few weeks of school. Moving forward in the fall, the hope is to have parents back in the school. Specials recently began again. BOOP is saying goodbye to two great staff members; Lisa Longlet and Ryan Jones have both done an excellent job and will be missed. Team changes: Melissa will be in kindergarten. Shoshanna will be teaming up with Allie Roundtree for 1-2. Ros is moving to 3-4 and will be joined by a new staff member, Sophie Wallace. Sophie has a history of working in an optional program and multi-age classroom. Mike and Linda will still be in 5-6. Recent meeting with PTA regarding 6th grade moving on ceremony; it will occur and more information will be coming!
 - b. Teacher reports
 - i. 5-6 Linda and Mike
 1. Planning the moving on ceremony. The 6th graders will be writing a speech and the 5th graders will be writing a letter to themselves. % continue to be in separate academic units. Having a multiage math unit. Using a graphing calculator. 5th grade reading-debatable topics, things people may disagree on. A lot of nonfiction reading to gather evidence and arguments. Linda is teaching springboard reading to the 6th graders; text based writing and a personal narrative, which the kids got into. Social studies have been doing immigration, some non fiction reading. The class is going on nature walks every couple of days to go down to the bog. Social emotional learning is occurring.
 - ii. 3-4 Ryan and Lisa
 1. Will miss the kids and program! Recently Introduced cursive, it is a calming way to end the day. Took a break from animal research projects for testing and now have returned to them. Starting a mini poetry unit soon. 3rd grade is working on fractions in math and text analysis and responses in writing. 3rd graders continue to have spelling lists every week. 4th grade math is now geometry and measurements.
 - iii. 1-2 Sara and Roz
 1. Sarah is the long term sub this year. Recently began a book club with series. They are learning about characters and character

development. In writing the kids are learning to review items. Now moving on to reviewing bigger things, reviewing tomatoes, the Pledge of Allegiance, movies, restaurants, etc. They are taking opportunities to go outside (reading, cleaning up trash for Earth Day, etc.). Focusing on phonics a lot.

iv. K- Melissa

1. NEA grant (\$5,000) to support distance learning. Personal stem kits for kindergartners when they were at home not being used in the classrooms by other grades. The grant also paid for Breakout Boxes and holiday themed stem kits for k-2 to work on at home. The kindergartners are growing Dahlias and they will be going on sale soon. Kindergartners are using math skills to figure out how much money they are going to make; they are also measuring the dahlias and watching them grow (science). Science have been measuring them. Plant growth and development unit. They are now having reading playdates where they get to choose to play a game, act out books, or pretend to be the teacher.

c. Treasurer report

1. Not many updates or changes. NOT a lot of fundraisers this year which impacted income projections. Without the events the expenditures were lower. Were able to renew Reflex math. Will role over funds for next year. May have to adjust supply funding again.

d. PTA

- v. Yearbooks are available for pre-order.
- vi. If a child was not at school on picture day you can send in a picture or staff will take a picture.
- vii. Picture packages went out this week.
- viii. 6th grade families please submit your love lines and your child's baby pictures.
- ix. Pampered Chef fundraiser occurring through April. Bowman will receive 32% of the sales.
- x. Teacher and Staff appreciation will occur May 3-7.
- xi. Need volunteers for the PTA board and PTA events for the '21-'22 school year. The events cannot happen without volunteers.

3. Old Business

- a. Program Tour- completed for the year. They were via Zoom.
- b. 6th grade moving on ceremony- Mike and Linda are working on it. There will be one. It will be outside with a set number of tickets per child. It will be the last day of school at 10am. They will receive a certificate and there will be a parade around the school.
- c. Kinder dahlia sale- Melissa will send an email when they are ready to go on sale.

4. New Business

- A. Volunteer positions (think ahead and use these opportunities to fill your 1 hr/month)
 - a. They are what you make of them.
 - b. New events are always welcome if there is something your family is passionate about/interested in.

5. Upcoming dates

- a) Homer sea week May 7th and 8th- unofficial but everyone is welcome!
- b) 6th grade moving on May 20th at 10am.
- c) Kinder dahlia - email coming soon!
- d) PTA fundraiser - runs through the end of the month!