

**September 18<sup>th</sup> PTA Meeting  
11:30 am at SBCE**

**Meeting Agenda**

**Thanks to those that were able to attend the meeting today. We had 12 in attendance.**

**Co-Presidents Update - Tamara Liles & Lynda Nicolay**

First, we want to say Thank You to all of the folks who have stepped up to chair the positions on our board. We have a fantastic group of leaders to run our events this year and we are very appreciative and excited! We have a few spots that we are in need of shadows for next year; Bingo Night, Yearbook and Treasurer. If you are interested or know someone who is interested, please contact Lynda or Tamara.

We have an open position for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade finale coordinator. 5<sup>th</sup> grade finale takes place towards the end of the year. This tends to be a pretty big event that requires a whole committee. Our plan is to form a committee soon and nominate a coordinator at that meeting. Please watch for more information on that coming in the next few weeks. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lynda or Tamara.

Gaga Pits: Installation is due to be schedules end of September/Early October. It will take place over the course of 3 weekends so as not disrupt the school day.

Parent Survey: Thank you for your participation. We had 16% no and 84% yes. We plan to have the coordinator from Booster Atlanta come to the school next week to work on a program that will best suit SBCE students, parents and teachers. Will follow with updates.

**Principal Update - Mrs. Marques**

SBCE is being identified as an operational school at PBIS. There are only 20 schools in the state and 5 in Fulton county. Currently we are a level 3 and hopefully we can be a level 4 next year.

**Teachers Update – Ms. Matthews**

No updates at this time.

**Treasurer Update – Michelle Meyers**

The 2017/2018 audit has been completed, 990 was filed and accepted on 9/3/18. Cash balance as of 6/30/18 was \$52,251.65.

**School Governance – Daphne Honore & Heather Van Looy**

No updates at this time Next meeting is September 26th at SBCE at 7am

**Academics Updates – VP Daphne Honore**

## **Mini Grants – Kristina Madh**

We are awarding approximately \$11,500 in funding for mini-grants as well as about \$3000 of our scholastic dollars. We had a record number of applications this year (over \$25K) and we will have a 2nd round of applications after winter break. Note, we are budgeted for \$10,000, but the extra \$1,500 will come mostly from leftover funds in the teacher stipend line item.

## **Science Force – Daphne Honore**

Science Force begins labs this month starting on the 24th of this month. The first lab of the year is 4th grade Space. Some parents have been inquiring about 5th grade labs. Both of their labs occur next semester. Normally 5th graders have the Oceanography lab which goes along with the Tybee Island trip. Because the Tybee Island trip occurs next semester, the lab was moved. Labs dates are scheduled based upon teacher request and the school calendar.

All activities will be in the first classroom on the right side of the 4th/5th hallway directly across from the STEM Lab. Ms. Huber, the new STEM Lab teacher, will act as the lab leader and parents will assist while the students are in the lab as well as help with setting up and taking down the lab. If you would like to sign up to help with Science Force, please [click here](#) and sign up for your child's classroom.

*Make sure you have registered to volunteer at least 3 days before the date of the lab date so that you are able to volunteer. You can register at [www.statebridgecrossing.com](http://www.statebridgecrossing.com). Please be careful to use the name on your drivers license when you register.*

## **Reed to Succeed – Lindy Washer**

No updates at this time

## **Finance Updates – VP Manju Shringpure**

### **My School Anywhere – Jennifer Rombardo**

- \* 412 families have confirmed their data
- \* Removed duplicate families and students
- \* 261 memberships sold (\$32575/81% goal)
  - o 13 Platinum (\$6500)
  - o 29 Gold (\$6670)
  - o 65 Silver (\$10075)
  - o 91 Base (\$7440)
  - o 63 Minimum (\$1890)
- \* Next Steps include
  - o Assigning students to classrooms – 4th and 5th grade complete; waiting on rest
  - o Clean up Data, remove families that are no longer at SBCE
- \* Fall Festival
  - o 29 families with 82 tickets sold (\$574)

If you haven't confirmed your data please you to [myschoolanywhere](http://myschoolanywhere)

This way you will receive emails from PTA and stay informed on events, tickets sales and general information.

Classes have been updated in my school anywhere

### **Corporate & Partner Relationship Chair – Lynn Blue**

Working on getting the word out about company matching

### **PTA Bookfair – Julie Snelling, Sonda Bevilacqua, Brook Howard & Kaie VanVelder**

Thank you to all who volunteered during the SBCE Bookfair!

### **Family Portraits – Emily Lovelace**

We had 42 families sign up for family portraits. The first session was this past weekend at Jones Bridge Park. It was a beautiful day for photos and everything went very well. The second session is on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Box Tops – Heidi Mueller**

Our first collection date for this year will be on October 17<sup>th</sup> and we will ask volunteers to come in on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> to help count. A sign up genius will be sent out closer to that time for volunteers.

### **Spirit Wear – Laura Vane, Jodi Richards & Cheryl Baker**

This year we have currently sold 342 pieces of spirit wear. Boys and girl's t-shirts were our best sellers. We will be opening up the online store again soon.

For older inventory, we will be having a "yard sale" booth at Fall Festival and try to sell these items.

### **Yearbook – Colleen Scruggs, Eva Kim & Isha Lee**

We have already sold 46% of our final number which is fantastic! We have already regained **6,384.00 of our deposit.**

IF - The price stayed at \$32 and we sold all 450 books ( we always come close) We would make an additional \$7808 = \$14192

That's approx \$3200 profit - BUT The price goes from \$32 to \$35 on Oct 6th and then to \$38 In Nov, ( so we will profit more )

Lastly - Think about this for next year.....If you want to do a "back to school promo" and then the price is just a solid \$38 or \$40. Most schools do this. I can change it if we want to for this year also. Your call!

ALSO - It is time to PROMOTE ADS to 5th grade parents! I will send out an email and ask teachers to send something home! We get 100% profit of these! Please pass the word!

## **Social Media – Jennifer Rombardo**

Facebook

- \* New Followers since last month 11
- \* Total Followers 233
- \* In the last 28 days
  - o 2552 reached
  - o 574 engagements
- \* Most engaging post was the Storybook Parade Collage

Twitter

- \* 121 Followers (20% growth)

## **PTA Website – Heather Van Looy**

No updates at this time

## **Community Support – VP Lynda Nicolay**

### **Room Rep Coordinator – Arti Keddy**

Communications have been sent to all class Room Reps to connect with their respective teachers and class parents.

We are still looking for volunteers for Room Reps for two Kindergarten classes - Ms. Fike and Ms. Santoro.

One third grade class was added

### **Gardening – Rachel Park**

No updates at this time

### **Landscaping – Chris Touchstone**

No updates at this time

### **Hearing & Vision – Michelle Meyers**

Upcoming event to be held on Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please watch for a sign up genius for volunteers coming out soon.

### **Teacher Breakfast – Michele Allison**

The September breakfast is sponsored by the 4th and 5th grade classes, so I am asking for your help in making it a great event. It will be held on Friday, September 21st, before the start of the school day. Any donations are appreciated! If you choose to donate financially, please label your

envelope as "teacher breakfast" and send it in your child's folder. Please [click here](#) to see the sign up genius with items needed, and we also would appreciate any items you wish to send in. Non-perishable items can be sent in ahead of time.

### **Teacher Appreciation – Laurie Davis & Mary Peterson**

The Teacher Appreciation committee are looking at having McAllister's Deli cater the upcoming Teacher Tailgate with their Spud Bar and Chili. We will be offering both meat chili and vegetable chili as well as dessert.

### **Newcomers Committee – SaraBeth Grow & Kristina Madh**

We had a very successful meeting with 25 – 30 parents showing up to learn about SBCE and take a tour of the school.

## **Family Events – VP SaraBeth Grow & Sonda Bevilacqua**

### **All Pro Dads – Pete Lovelace**

All parents and kids are encouraged to attend the first All Pro Dads meeting of the year at SBCE! Friday, September 21 at 6:45 AM in the Media Center. Every All Pro Dads meeting is FREE to attend, but we strongly encourage you to [register on our website](#) prior to the event. This helps us to know how much breakfast to order. Registration on our site also provides access to great content from All Pro Dads including the "play of the day," a daily email providing motivation, education, and inspiration on how to and All Pro Dad!

**The theme for September is positivity, so will be talking about how positivity helps lift you and others around you and it's good for your health and your future.**

Meetings include a free hot breakfast and donuts, a quick lesson centered on the theme of the month, time to connect and affirm your children, and raffle prizes! Simply put this is one of the greatest investment you can make with 45 minutes of your time. Hope to see you next Friday! Feel free to call, text, or [email](#) with any questions.

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH A WELCOME VIDEO](#) from the chapter team captain.

### **Raffle Basket Coordinator – Katie VanVelder**

All baskets for Pre-k-3rd are assigned for Fall Festival. I will be collecting them next Monday, September 24th to display at the school. I have enough volunteers for the booth, just need to be sure I have enough tables

### **Bingo – Kelly Karson**

No updates at this time

### **Fall Festival – Cheryl Baker**

Volunteers- All the Beta slots are filled! Hurray! For Adults, we still need help with Take Down, more cakes (we have 28), a handful of inflatables and a volunteer director for the first and second halves of the festival. Please see the sign up genius links to see where we are if you are interested in how many we have assigned for the respective areas:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0448A8AE23ABFB6-fall> ADULTS

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0448a8ae23abfb6-sbce> BETAS

A 2nd email has been sent out specifically requesting this help and reminding of Tickets Sales Are Available Now.

The time of the festival was incorrect on the BobCat Tales calendar (although was correct in the article). Our 2nd MSA email notes that the Bobcat Tales had an incorrect time and emphasizes 2 til 5 pm.

Ticket sales are currently 35 families (102 tickets sold. Please remember as a volunteer- you get in free but still need to pay for other attending family members (unless you have free tickets from Gold or Platinum status).

Online sales end on the 25th. Tamara and I will be distributing on 26th/27th. We will sell admission at the door but aren't advertising that.

Would like to have the LED sign at front of school showing the correct date and time starting asap.

We have approximately 15 farmer's market vendors right now and may reach to 20. All applications must be done by this Friday the 21st.

Need to clarify whether spiritwear yard sale will be included and the cost for the items so we can add those to the square and determine petty cash for sales.

Need to long tables for raffle area- may borrow from the school.

And in closing... I have been happy to see all the enthusiasm by new parents and from my PTA peers. Thank you!

### **Walk to School Coordinator – Elizabeth Cook**

The walk to School Event is scheduled for October 16th. The teachers will begin taking tallies of the students who walk, ride bicycles, carpool or ride alone with their parents in October two days per month and each month thereafter.

Chris Coughlin, an SBCE parent and City Councilman spoke about the walk to school initiative. He explained that by participating in this program it helps show the demand for more walkable paths and crosswalks and will help with obtaining funding to build infrastructure

**Family Fun Run – Per our survey we are looking to replace this event with a Boosterthon Run at a later date. Updates to come.**

### **Daddy Daughter Dance – Marcie Shaffer**

No updates at this time

### **Mother Son Event – Katie VanVelder**

No updates at this time

### **Field Day – Carrie Finn & Rebecca Rice**

No updates at this time

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Finale Coordinator – OPEN POSITION (Must be filled by a parent with a current 5<sup>th</sup> grade student)**

