



BES PTA General Meeting Minutes September 12, 2019

I. Call to Order - establish quorum

- a. The meeting was called to order by our president, Brooke Fortier, at 6:42 pm
- b. Quorum was established. We had at least 38 members present.

II. Board Introduction

- a. Brooke Fortier introduced the members of the PTA Board present and chairs of our special committees.

III. Mission Statement and what we do as a PTA

- a. Brooke Fortier read the mission of the PTA and stated that our goal was to make Ballantyne Elementary be a community and a true neighborhood school.

IV. Events and Fundraisers planned for 2019-2020

- A. Fall activities: Book Fair, Mother/Son Glow FUN, Capital Campaign
- B. Winter activities: Winter Parties, Movie Night, Bingo, Book Fair, Boosterthon Fun Run
- C. Spring activities: Father/Daughter Dance, Teacher Appreciation Week, Field Day, Class Parties, 5th Grade Celebration.

V. Other PTA Purchases that Benefit our School

- a. Books for every child during EOG exams, Technology and STEM materials, Staff Professional Development, Cultural Arts Assemblies, Updates to Media Center and the playgrounds.

VI. Volunteer Opportunities - Committees and Open Positions

- a. Brooke Fortier mentioned that we are still seeking an assistant treasurer, a book fair co-chair, and a Bingo Night chair, in addition to room parent volunteers.
- b. Brooke Fortier also stated that the PTA website has a page dedicated to volunteer opportunities. If you are interested in volunteering, you can go to <https://ballantynepta.weebly.com/all-pta-sign-ups.html> and see all of our volunteer opportunities.

VII. PTA Budget/Goals: Review and Vote to Approve

- a. Our treasurer, Ashley Linderman, explained the budget and stated that we have used PTA funds to, among other things, provide Chromebooks for the classrooms, leveled reading books for the school, funds for classroom decorations and flexible seating, to reimagine the media center, and to provide professional development opportunities for our teachers.
- b. Ashley stated that the front of the budget handout is the amount of income that we hope to raise this year, while the back of the budget handout is the projected costs of the activities and projects that we'd like to provide for the school this year.
- c. Ashley noted that our projected income is slightly less than what we projected last year to take into account the smaller amount that was raised last year. She also pointed out some changes to the budget line items such as the addition of a corporate sponsorship line item that were made to our May 2019 budget.
- d. A motion to approve the budget was made by Kristin Barry and seconded by Robin McLaurin. The motion was approved by all of the voting members present.

VIII. Questions

- a. Brooke Fortier answered questions about when the room parent meeting would be and thanked everyone for coming.
- b. The two fundraising events (our Capital Campaign and the Boosterthon fun run) were explained.

IX. Adjournment

- a. The meeting was adjourned by Brooke Fortier at 7:13 pm.