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Bexley Middle School PTO

11/18/2021 1 pm

Zoom

Principal Update (Jason/Raquel)

- Teachers and staff were grateful for the meals during conferences. Thank you to the parents who donated and coordinated efforts.
- On December 17th, middle school students will be dismissed at 11:12am to give teachers ample time for the remaining teacher work day. Administrators are looking into something different/special in the morning for students. There will be grab and go lunches for those in need.
- Please take note of the newly painted bus lane and please refrain from using this space to allow buses the space needed to safely load and unload students.
- Masks will be required at all indoor winter events. Administrators will be attending events to provide reminders when needed.

President Update (Jill)

- Parent Teacher Conference dinners: Thank you to all those who helped with donations, set up and clean up. The Sign up Genius was filled almost immediately after being sent out which is a testament to the wonderful parent/caregiver community.
- PTO Board for next year: The following board members will remain: Liz as treasurer, Shana as secretary, Anna as communications, and Sean's position is still to be determined. Jill recommended using Sign up Genius to fill chair positions.
- Steve Shapiro's work: The district recently concluded sessions focusing on achievement culture stress with Steve Shapiro. This is one of several opportunities to engage with Steve and other avenues to focus on mental wellness.

Vice-President Update (Sean)

- The next Superintendent meeting with Booster and PTO members is scheduled in December.

Treasurer Update (Liz)

- The current balance is \$10,499 which includes \$298 in expenses for conference dinners.
- Both the state of OH charitable registration and federal tax filing have been completed.

Chair Updates

- Caller (Eve): Callers will be distributed as a hardcopy as soon as ad sales are finalized.
- Fall fundraiser (Jenny and Rachel): Huge success! Families have stepped up and blown away the fundraising goal with donations totaling \$6,240 so far. These funds will support middle school students in experiences outside of the classroom that are being planned this year. We are still accepting donations
- Spirit Wear (Rachel): Show your Bexley school spirit and outfit your family in the latest Bex hoodies and gear! New: fleece blankets, pom beanies, and fun stickers. Perfect for holiday gifts and stocking stuffers. <https://bexleytees.itemorder.com/sale>

Delivery options:

1. \$5--PTO porch drop to your home or any address in Bexley;
2. FREE--Delivery to your child's Bexley school building/homeroom before Dec. 17.
(Caution if this is a gift for the child that they should not see.)

Portal closes on Mon. Nov. 29th.

The Mission of the Bexley Middle School PTO is to provide a forum for parents to communicate with the principal and each other, to support the needs of teachers and students, and to raise money for the student outdoor education and Washington, D.C. trips. All are welcome to attend these meetings.