



BASIS Northeast Boosters General Meeting Minutes September 20, 2022

A general meeting of the BASIS Northeast Boosters was called to order at 6:05pm on Tuesday, September 20, 2022, in the MPR on campus.

The meeting was opened with officer introductions. Board members present were Katrina Fabela (President), Ashley Reese (Treasurer), Lindsey Barker (Director SAPNE), Judy Tsai (VP Communications), Joscelyn Laurence (VP Fundraising), Christina Matthews (VP Volunteers), Elizabeth Murcia (Director SANE), and Stephanie Razavi (Secretary). Christina Park (VP Teacher Appreciation) was absent.

Judy pointed out QR codes and facebook groups for families to join on the tables in the MPR. Katrina described who we are and what we do as Boosters. Our main goal is to connect families and support the school in any way we can.

Ashley gave the treasury report. She was asked what bills we pay each year so she went over annual insurance we have to keep and website hosting fees. She went over things we use the funds for like Boo Grams coming up and the supplies needed to assemble them. Teacher appreciation costs monthly, sports and playground equipment we upgraded for the kids and coaches, helping with field day requests, investing back into our students!

Joscelyn gave the fundraising report. We sold paletas at the family picnic, also ran the back to school merchandise sale, held an ice cream night at Arctic Ape and there is an upcoming pizza night at Marco's. Boo Grams are coming up and sales will run 9/26-10/7. They will be delivered to students on Halloween this year. Candy free options available. We will also do Valentine Grams later in the year. We got a lot of family suggestions for fundraiser nights we could plan/try for in the future including Willie's, Taco Cabana, Chick-Fil-A, the new car wash by the school, and Raising Cane's.

Ashley and Katrina explained we always want input for what to spend the money on that we raise. A family asked about end of year parties, Katrina mentioned us wanting to throw an end of year BBQ or party. Family suggestions included RUSH, Urban Air, Inflatable Wonderland, and Morgan's Wonderland for parties.

Katrina described what the teacher appreciation committee has been up to and who they are- a group to show appreciation to our teachers monthly like lunches, breakfasts, gifts. In August for

back to school we made mugs for the teachers and staff and had a first day of school luncheon from Marco's delivered to them. In the lounge now are fall themed treats and for October we are requesting that people donate to the lounge via the Amazon wish list instead of sending Boo Grams to the teachers and staff. A family asked if they could drop off homemade goodies for staff and Katrina assured attendees that yes all goodies are totally encouraged and loved. Katrina mentioned asking teachers to make Amazon wish lists/fill out preference sheets that we would like to be able to send out.

A family asked about Christmas gift cards, Katrina explained the holiday bonus fund where in the past we raise cash donations and give holiday cash bonuses to the teachers. There was also a question about donations and what is accepted in the staff lounge- do not have to be just Amazon wish list donations, families can bring things from Costco and Walmart or wherever they shop and drop them off at the front office. Judy explained getting things shipped directly to the school. Judy and Katrina mentioned the website where all this can be found also.

Christina gave the briefing on volunteers. We are currently supporting the school nurse for her annual hearing and vision checks this week. We will also be helping the school on picture day 9/26. Boo Grams will need to be assembled in October and we will be looking for volunteers for that soon. The Fall Festival is coming up on 9/28 and we will need volunteers for concessions and games. Future opportunities include the book fair, the spring carnival and another family picnic. We can't always accommodate all the families that want to volunteer but families are always encouraged to help out by donating to the teacher lounge, getting involved with teacher appreciation, and downloading and using the box tops for education app. Anyone who wants to volunteer is encouraged to sign up on the volunteer email list basisnevolunteers@gmail.com

Katrina went over what will be in the Boo Grams - a pencil, eraser, temporary tattoo, glow stick, candy and treats- fun little things for the kids to enjoy at the end of the day on Halloween. Judy went over ordering the Boo Grams and how that will work this year, can order online or on paper.

A family asked about any plans for Thanksgiving, Katrina assured that we will have teach appreciation going on and also the Week of Giving happens that week. Katrina mentioned emailing Christina Park for teacher appreciation ideas and volunteering.

Stephanie covered the Box Tops for Education updates. Parents can download an app on their smartphones and earn money for the school by scanning or emailing their grocery receipts when they purchase qualifying items. No more cutting and collecting box tops and mailing them in. Just download an app and set BASIS NE as your school.

Katrina asked for any final questions, pointed out our flyers for families to be able to contact all members of the board. Katrina did a raffle for attending and one parent won a free t-shirt for coming to the meeting.

6:40pm meeting was adjourned.