



**BASIS Northeast Boosters General Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2023**

A meeting of the Basis San Antonio Northeast Boosters was held on Tuesday September 5th at 6pm. The meeting took place on campus in the MPR.

Attending Board members: Katrina Fabela, Lindsay Barker, Judy Tsai, Joscelyn Laurance, Sylvia Torres, Christina Matthews, Beth Legge, Christina Park and Gabriela Berlanga

Katrina opened the meeting introducing the board, overall efforts, and the membership report. There are currently 41 booster family members and the annual membership fee is \$25 dollars per family. She informed parents that this fee helps fund school events. This year, new booster family members will receive a tote bag and water bottle as a welcome gift.

Lindsay gave detail of the **financials**. Currently the checking account holds \$4,349.31, \$500 in savings and \$24.01 in PayPal. These amounts do not include insurance renewal and expenses made for the in-stock merchandise.

Fundraising efforts for the year were introduced by Joscelyn. These will include restaurant nights, merchandise sales, holiday bonus fund, boo grams, valentines grams and Wildcat heros. Funds collected from these efforts help for school related expenses. Last year the funds were used to buy sports equipment.

Restaurant nights will be on the third Thursday of every month with the exception of September which will be held on 9/14. This effort will kick off with Marcos Pizza (1604 & Pat Booker). October's details are pending and should be made public soon.

Donate a Boo or Valentine's Day gram will be available this year. Our goal is to ensure that every wildcat receives one gram in the fall and another in the spring.

Tamale sale is new to our campus and still needs school approval. Other public schools have seen great results with these sales and we are hoping to replicate on our campus. Should we receive approval, this event would take place prior to Thanksgiving.

Got sneakers is also new to our campus, there will be a sneaker drive where we will receive old sneakers, mail them off and receive funds per pair.

Sylvia walked us through the **teacher appreciation** efforts for the year. These will include monthly meals, restocking the lounge with snacks, Thanksgiving luncheon, gift on Christmas, and the holiday bonus fund.

Broken out by month in August there was a Welcome Back to School brunch with donuts and fruit. September will most likely have a caramel apple bar where the teachers can top their apples with their favorite candies. October will focus on restocking the recently remodeled lounge. Snacks are very popular with our teachers so we will have a drive to help collect many of their favorite snacks. These can be delivered directly to the school via the Amazon Wish list; however, this is not the only way and every donation is welcome. Emails to snack companies have also been sent out hoping to receive donations. MadeGood has been the first company to respond and we are now in the process of completing their application.

The teacher appreciation task cart was introduced. This is a new effort launched a few weeks ago and its main goal is to remove time consuming tasks from our teachers, enabling a better use of their time.

Name signs was presented as a possible Christmas gift idea. This has not yet been finalized and ideas are welcome.

We currently have 28 teacher wish lists completed. Working off of the school directory, we will reach out to all missing teachers and staff. Once all lists are completed, these will be published on Facebook by grade group.

Volunteer opportunities was presented by Christina. She mentioned that this year there will be more volunteer opportunities than there have been in the past. Coming up there are opportunities for the Hearing & Vision Screenings, Fall Picture Day, Boo Gram assembly, and fall festival.

Classroom readings is something new for our volunteers. Basis will provide us with further detail on how booster volunteers will participate. The book fair and Spring Carnival are other volunteer opportunities coming later in the school year.

Sign-ups for all of these events are posted on Facebook; however, parents can email Christina directly to be added to her volunteer distribution email list. Her emails usually go out 24hrs before social media publications.

Judy introduced the **Community Outreach** Halloween Costume Swap. Gently used Halloween costumes will be collected from 9/25 – 10/6. Our Basis community will have two opportunities to pick out costumes: 10/20, during the flag football game, and the second date has not yet been defined.

Katrina closed the meeting making mention of the two new committees this year: Teacher appreciation and Community Outreach. Parents wishing to be involved should

email Boosters for more information. She also reviewed the Flag Football home game calendar asking parents to participate. Lastly she asked parents help stock the school's care closet with kid sized face masks, soft chew mints, snacks and water.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42pm and parents were invited to participate in the decoration of the MPR bulletin board.

Respectfully submitted.

Gabi Berlanga
Basis NE Boosters Secretary.