BASIS Northeast Boosters General Meeting Minutes November 28, 2023

A meeting of the Basis San Antonio Northeast Boosters was held on Tuesday November 28th 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, Elizabeth Murcia, Beth Legge, Christina Park and Gabriela Berlanga

Katrina opened the meeting introducing the board and gave Lindsay the floor to go over the treasurer's report.

Lindsay gave detail of the **financials**. Currently the checking account holds \$5,136, \$500 in savings, \$0 in PayPal, and \$0 in CashApp. Our recent expenses included the spirit merchandise stock, teacher & staff Thanksgiving luncheon and breakfast for the firefighters at Fire Safety Day.

Fundraising efforts and results were introduced by Joscelyn. Box Tops and POGO Pass are ongoing efforts. Back to school merchandise raised \$598.43. Hat Creek generated \$127. Halloween candy buy back resulted in \$50. Boo Grams sold \$2,000 and Marcos pizza results are pending but we should know within the next couple weeks.

There will not be a restaurant night in December, these will kick off again in January. The theme for January's restaurant night will be "back to school play date". For February, Valentine's Day grams will be sold; details will follow the closer we get to the date.

Joscelyn closed her report inviting parents to provide suggestions for further fundraising ideas.

Sylvia walked us through the **teacher appreciation** efforts. The task cart, bulletin board decorations and lounge decorations are ongoing efforts. The way to participate for any of these activities is by joining the teacher appreciation committee (TAC). Once approved you will be invited to a GroupMe chat. This is where she will post volunteer opportunities. Snacks for the break room are also ongoing and always welcome.

Since the last booster board meeting TAC provided breakfast tacos for the lounge reopening in October. For November they hosted a luncheon. December is scheduled to have a National Hot Coco Day and gift wrapping for teachers.

Volunteer opportunities was presented by Christina. There are two ways to be informed of these opportunities: 1) being a part of the volunteer committee by signing up via email, and 2) postings seen on social media. The first communication will hit the committee database and then trickle down to social media.

Current volunteer opportunities are room readers for KH, KO and 3TI. The 5-8 winter dance may also present volunteer opportunities; however, details are not yet confirmed. For next year Valentine grams, book fair and spring carnival opportunities will open up. Volunteer opportunities are communicated the moment the boosters are made aware of them.

Liz walked through **Community Outreach** efforts. Costume Swap was the first organized event. It focused around our community: our school and our students. The event had great results and promoted sustainability. The second event will be held December 10th at McAllister Park between 2:00pm – 4:00pm. This is a Furr Family playdate were we will be collecting old towels and blankets for animal shelters. Pupacchinos will be provided for all our furry friends and for those not bringing pets, a guided walking tour will be led by a volunteer.

For January we will push a coat and sneaker drive, details are still pending but should be available soon. Recurring opportunities such as food bank and animal shelter efforts will begin next year. These opportunities will be posted on social media for sign ups.

Katrina closed the meeting making mention of the sunshade grant program. The school will be participating in this program to hopefully receive a grant to put shade over our playground. Sun safety promotion will be heavily pushed at our school by flyers and talks with Nurse Fuelberg. We will also have a dermatologist validate the need for shade in our playground area.

Spring Merchandise sale will also be coming up, details will follow however there will be a contest for students to design the next t-shirt. The winning design will be used in our merchandise.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57pm and parents were invited to participate in the decoration of the MPR bulletin board.

Respectfully submitted.

Gabi Berlanga Basis NE Boosters Secretary.