



**New Britton Elementary PTO**  
**Public Meeting Minutes**  
**November 8, 2022**

1. Principal/Assistant Principal Report

a. Relunched professional learning communities

i. Now switched from whole groups to grade level teams

1. Nice that we're getting to work that is different from the last two years

ii. 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers shared

1. Able to identify patterns and trends so that work in classrooms are more homed in on what students need

i. Ex: one punctuation mark for a whole page of writing

2. Cox & Bueing team up and got a school grant to make student bookshelves via an app- so fun!

i. Great example of writing celebrations going on in NBE

b. Library

i. Kindergarten students got to barcode their books and check them out

ii. Book Fair proceeds will be used to purchase new books

iii. Hoping to be able to purchase eBooks on Pebble Go for our whole school to use

1. More than one student can use a book at once

2. Special right now: 50 books for \$500

c. Parent teacher conferences going well

d. Fri e-learning

- i. Work with restorative practices
    - 1. 80% proactive, 20% reactive
  - e. HSE Chief Equity Officer visited NBE
  - f. K-2 Fluency Data showing good info
    - i. NBE in top half of HSE District
- 2. Budget Report
  - a. PTO approves grants as they come in
    - i. Just approved \$500 for library/pebble go
  - b. We began the year with \$15,000
  - c. Book Fair
    - i. \$7,000 in our account, plus \$5,000 credit card
    - ii. This is just a pass through before money goes to library- not for PTO
    - iii. Wish Lists
      - 1. Looking into
  - d. Dine to Donates
    - i. Puccini's
      - 1. \$100
    - ii. City BBQ
      - 1. \$320
  - e. Field Trips
    - i. PTO covers transportation
    - ii. Agri Park
    - iii. Russel Farms
      - 1. Supported 2 students to help them attend this
    - iv. State Fairgrounds

### 3. Fundraising

#### a. Dine to Donate

##### i. Indian's Game

1. \$489

##### ii. City Bird

1. \$39

##### iii. Urban Air – Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>

1. \$188

##### iv. Portillo's set for Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>

##### v. U-Paint Pottery set for Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

#### b. Spirit Wear

##### i. New Sale Happening Now

1. Ends Nov 20<sup>th</sup>

##### ii. New Items

#### c. Movie Nights

##### i. Chair: Ashley

##### ii. Board: Megan & Krista

##### iii. Dates

1. Jan.20

2. Feb.10

3. March 17

##### iv. Permission Slip needs to have the rating (PG or G) on flyer along with the title

### 4. Community Building

#### a. Review

i. International Expo

1. Parents and students enjoying décor still being up
2. Great community building event
3. Wonderful Celebration of learning
4. How can this involve all ages and grades to participate in the future?
5. Looking for more/better communication for parents
6. Great first year!

ii. Spirit Week

1. Students and Staff had fun
2. Heritage Day was a little confusing but also exciting leading up to International Expo
3. Theme Day ideas
  - i. All about me
  - ii. Scrabble Day
  - iii. Ask Student Council for ideas
4. Penny Wars
  - i. Total of \$685
  - ii. Winner: 3<sup>rd</sup> grade by a land slide!
    - i. Collected \$140

b. Plan

i. Pack the Park

1. Moved to Fishers City Parks event at NPD AMP @ 11-2

ii. Winter Class Parties

1. Need teachers to reach out to parents

- i. Two parents per class
            - i. New set of parents in spring
  2. Katie is now Chair
    - i. Marissa and Megan happy to help plan
    - ii. A game, a craft, a book for one parent to read while other parent cleans up
      - i. PTO purchasing crafts for all classes
      - ii. Ask Rhonda to come up with list of good books parents can bring to read
    - iii. PTO trying to make class parties equitable vs previous years
  3. Activities
    - i. PTO providing crafts
    - ii. Parents can plan a game
  - iii. Fourth Grade Celebrations
    1. T-shirt Update
      - i. Delivered
      - ii. Kids are excited about them
      - iii. Fun to see what the kids are writing
    2. Lori Katzfey and Nicole York have offered to help Karen
      - i. Need to get a committee going
    3. Celebration will be here on campus
5. New Business
  - a. Teacher Appreciation
    - i. Chili lunch changed to Nov 21<sup>st</sup>

- b. Mrs. Brant wants to get an angel fund info out earlier
  - i. Another school does book fair at night so parents come in and shop
    - 1. This way classes don't go in and some kids get books and others don't
    - 2. Maybe just do book fair sales at night
- c. Can we do a fall school wide book exchange? It's a favorite!