

Feb 27

PTO Highlights

Events Update:

- First Family STEM Night was held in collaboration with Mad Scientist of Fairfield on Jan 26. Well attended event with over 400 people. Student council partnered with us and had a successful bake sale
- PTO organized its first Meet & Greet on Feb 16 followed by PTO meeting. Happy to see some new faces. PTO invites & welcomes all Beecher adults to participate and be part of PTO meetings.
- New Art-Fundraiser was launched last month. Parents will be able to access their child's artwork digitally and order products with the artwork. Thanks to the Beecher Art department for their collaboration.
- Artsweek 16 (takes place in May) planning has started. This year's theme is Peace.

Upcoming Events:

- PTO will be hosting a few events or partnering with the school during March- April, an effort towards celebrating literacy month. Details under planning.
- Beecher tradition, Book Swap, is coming up in March
- PTO looking into inviting a guest speaker during March PTO meeting (3/16) who would be discussing ways to engage children in reading.
- Free Family Math Night during April PTO meeting (4/20)

Financial Update:

- PTO approved extra \$1900 bringing the total to \$6900 towards teachers mini grants. All the grants, submitted by the teachers, were reviewed by Ms. Sherman & Ms Crocco and were approved. Grants included but were not limited to Books for classroom libraries, flexible seatings, outdoor benches, Math Manipulatives.
- PTO approved \$1200 towards paying the composting cost from Feb-June (Green Team expense).
- PTO bought 130 copies of "Wishtree" by Katherine Apelegate for a Grade wide one book one read project started by the school librarians. This year Grade 5 is participating in the project.
- iPads (approved last year) were ordered by school last month. PTO will be reimbursing the cost (~\$9000) to the school for the same.

PTO is looking for adult volunteers to serve on PTO board positions for 2023-24. Please be involved and contact us at brsptoinfo@gmail.com to learn more about it.

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