

Banneker Elementary School

PTO Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2022 6:30PM

Attendees: Melanie Blankenship, Cy Acord, Robert Carter, Jay Tuttle, Brent Finley, Ashley Epling, Brynn Willet, Susan Strong, Amy Cornell, Kristin Phelps

President's Report

- LVHS Scholarship recipient information due 5/16 to LVHS. Ceremony will be on 5/31 at 7pm.
 - Review committee: Cy, Susan, Melanie, Kristin and teacher volunteer? Mr. Carter will provide the PTO with a name.
 - Do we want to invite the recipient to speak at Banneker's End of Year awards ceremony?
- Spirit Night at Monks/Tipped Cow on 4/26 from 4pm-9pm
- Secretary's Day 4/27
- Teacher Appreciation Week May 3-6

Monday, May 2nd - Holiday/schools are closed. Sidewalk chalk.

Tuesday, May 3rd

- Mr. Carter to provide lunch
- PTO to provide SUG for recess coverage

Wednesday, May 4th

- Thank you notes from students and families and room parent day
- Paper forms for students should go home today/tomorrow. Online parent form will be sent.

Thursday, May 5th

- Cinco de Mayo celebration
- Goodie bags

Friday, May 6th

- PTO to provide catered lunch
- PTO to provide SUG for recess coverage

- Field Day - 6/9 and rain date 6/13
- Family Picnic - 6/10
 - Inflatable - PTO submitted paperwork for signature in March. Needs to be submitted to contracts ASAP. No deposit on inflatable without an approved contract.
- 5th Grade end of the year plans:

Camp Highroad 5/6

Blue Ridge t-shirts - tabled from March meeting.

Baltimore trip - PTO is willing to help with costs.

Pool party 6/15 at Foxcroft

5th Grade Celebration/Awards 6/15

- Start time survey
 - 50 people responded representing 47 different families.

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- 98% felt that the earlier start time would negatively impact their student's learning and their quality of life as a family.
- Letter has been drafted and it's being finalized. It should be sent to stakeholders in the next few days.
- Susan had a meeting with Ian Serotkin regarding start times and getting more classroom space (double wides) for Banneker for 2022-2023. Serotkin said that there is room in the budget for double wides.
- If you're interested in joining the PTO Board for 2022-2023, please let us know! Board elections will be held on 5/18.

Treasurer's Report

- Budget Review
- Available balance \$10,751.07
- No funds requests.

Principal's Report: Robert Carter

- Mr. Carter and the PTO are looking for a LEAF Representative for Banneker. Representative would serve on a committee representing Banneker's interests to the School Board. Ashley Epling expressed tentative interest.
- Banneker will be celebrating its 75th birthday during the 2022-2023 school year.
- Banneker will be evaluated for a new build vs renovation in the coming months. Community needs and historical impact will be part of the evaluation.
- Mr. Carter spoke with Kevin Lewis about getting double wides for Banneker.
- Banneker's exterior and MPR will be painted this summer.
- Banneker will be losing 1 classroom teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Grade level TBD.

Future PTO Meeting Dates

5/18 and 2022-2023 PTO Board Election