

# Burton Elementary

## Parent Teacher Organization

February 7, 2023 | 9:30 am | Faculty Room

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**Welcome** April

### **Announcements**

PE needs help, a signup genius went out in email.

We need a field day chair.

**Meeting Minute Review:** Cher Oliver. Second by Rachael.

**Student Council Report:**

**Faculty Liaison Report:** Mrs. Moon

**SEL Update:** LeeAnne Jackson: Governor did a symposium on social media and mental health. Huntsman Health had a good discussion about social media: We can start phone rules with elementary kids to start good habits. Handout about social media guidelines-Help our kids be safe. Social media posts are an advertisement to the world about yourself.

Have an open line of communication with your kids.

Resources are available to help parents.

**Financial Report:** Brittany Flint. Amazon announced they are closing AmazonSmile to focus its philanthropic giving to programs with greater impact. [See more details here.](#)

A discussion was had about current financial needs at the school and the best way to use some PTO funds.

- \$10,000 will be donated to the school from PTO to buy a new copier. Brittany motions, Rachael seconds, and all approve.
- Classroom assistance budget will be increased from \$3,000 to \$6,000 for classroom teachers to use as grants: \$200 per classroom, \$100 for prep classes. Motioned by Rachel, seconded by Jen, and all approve.

**Recognition/Thank You's:**

- STEM Fair- Anna McFadden and all others who came to volunteer! What a fun event!
- Spelling Bee- Andrea Day
- Teacher dinner- Anna Atwater, Jessica Bean, Melissa Guitierrez, Sarah Redd, Jen Matthews, Anna McFadden, Brittany Flint
- Book Fair- Jessica Slade, Melissa Jackson, Kathleen Bateman, Shilene James, Jen Matthews

### **Items of Business:**

- Burton Bulldogs Care Service Project- Jennifer Philpot. Flyers go out to teachers today and collection bags will be delivered to teacher boxes this Friday.

Food drive starts Monday. On the 16th teachers can send one or two kids down with their collection to the gym for it to be placed into a trailer. Jen can make a plan to let grades know what time to bring their donations down.

Teachers can receive a tracking sheet for their door where they keep track of how many items came in. That will help with calculating the winning classrooms and with competition as kids will see the posters in the hall.

- Reading Month- Melody Neville. 1 log per kid this year that goes home on Mondays and is brought back to the school on Fridays. Fridays the logs are collected by PTO for minutes to be counted, and then teachers get them back Monday to hand out.

K-3rd, 1 class per grade will be the winner. Upper bracket will be 4th-6th and the whole grade levels against each other. This will hopefully promote unity in the grades rather than isolating the spectrum classes. They will all work together as a team.

1 MVR (most valuable reader) will be chosen from each class to receive bulldog bazaar bucks.

There will be two assemblies: Feb 27 at 2:30 is a pep rally with the student council helping. Closing assembly is March 31 and if the schoolwide goal is met then Mrs. Lowry will be turned into either a sundae or a pizza, and hopefully that will happen outside. Anyone is welcome to come and watch the fun assembly reward.

Classroom winners will be rewarded with a drink cart, ice cream, cookies, or popcorn. Details will be finalized and presented at the March PTO meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motioned by April, seconded by Rachael.

**In Attendance:** Mrs Moon. Melody Neville. Heather Paulsen. Shilene James. Rachael Henderson. Jen Philpot. Stephanie Morales. Leanne Jackson. Brittany Flint. April Pohlman. Cher Oliver. Melissa Boyce. Stefania Drogsvold.

**Next Meeting:** March 14