

Brewerton Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2023

1. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- a. Volunteers must fill out the form on the CSSD website and go through the sex offender list. If you have filled out the form previously, your name was run through the system over the summer. You can email Mrs. Hampson to double check that you are still approved to volunteer.
- b. Schooltool has a new URL.
- c. We are serving about 90 breakfasts a day. It is a cold breakfast in a bag. Students get off the bus when it arrives at school and head to the cafeteria. TAs help the younger students with opening cereal and pouring milk. They mark down who is receiving breakfast so it can be recorded in individual accounts.
- d. The math fact challenge will be started in 4th grade with some minor adjustments. 5th grade will not be doing it again.
- e. We have been following and using the science of reading to help students with decoding words. If they can decode and read a nonsense word, then this will help them read longer words. At the end of last year, 90% of kindergarten students were reading on grade level and 94% of 1st grade students were reading on grade level.

2. BUDGET REVIEW/TREASURER REPORT - the budget was reviewed and approved

3. Meet the Teacher Night and Book Fair - September 21. A flyer will go out Thursday.

- a. Schedule is: K/1 6:00-6:30, Grades 2-3 6:30-7, Grades 4-5 7:00-7:30. Special area teachers in the library from 6-6:30 and 6:30-7, special ed and service providers in their offices.
- b. The Book Fair will be held in the gym that evening. Parents are welcome to stop by and purchase items for their children. We are working on coordinating classrooms coming down during the day to make wish lists for their parents.

4. Homecoming - September 15. It was scheduled early this year so we apologize for the late notice of spirit week. Redhawk Rally will run from 4:30-6pm in the PVM front circle and student parking lot. The football game will follow in the stadium. There will be some food there: Catering by Chef Jeff, Country Glazed and Sweet Aroma Cafe. There will be a trunk or treat style to the event. Our trunk will be "Under the Sea" themed and we will be handing out candy.

5. Spirit Wear - Meghan worked with 1 hour tees in Cicero to create an online store. There are Central Square logos and Brewerton Elementary logs. Pick up is in the shop or delivery for an extra charge. The store is ready, we need to blast out the link.

6. Mrs. Derschang came to our meeting today to let us know about the summer read-a-thon. We raised \$1,100 this year!

7. Mrs. Dershang will be submitting any Arts in Ed forms that we need done. She will let us know what information she needs in order to submit.

8. Fundraisers/Programs

- a. **Walkathon** - October 13. This is our biggest fundraiser. Flyers went home today. If you raise \$30, you receive a T-shirt. It will be held inside if it rains.
- b. **School store** - Jessica will be purchasing product this year. It will be open on Wednesday mornings. She will email Mrs. Burns about a schedule for 5th grade helpers.
- c. **Halloween Dance** - October 20, 6-8pm. Pizza, snacks, drinks available to purchase, as well as tattoos, spider rings, etc. \$3 admission and that includes a glow bracelet.
- d. **Square 1 Art** - Mrs. Stehle is working with the art classes to complete their projects. Mid-October we will receive the order catalog and artwork.

Next meeting will be October 10 at 6:30pm in the library