



BUNN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

BES PTA MEETING MINUTES

January 22, 2009

7:00 p.m. ~ BES Gym

PTA Vice President, Angel Johnson, called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

Board members in attendance: Angel Johnson, Karen Horton, Chris Schmidt. President, Kelly Clark was absent due to a request by Mrs. Eason to represent Bunn Elementary at the Franklin County Schools District Parent Involvement Council meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. December meeting minutes were approved. (Motion made by Mrs. Billie Jo Abney seconded by Mrs. Karen McKeithan)

Angel reported computers purchased by PTA have been received and are in use in the following classrooms: N. France, A. Joyner, C. Cheves, K. Reed, A. Collier, E. Martin, M. Brodie, AB Williams, R. Hopper

Angel called for all interested in participating in focus groups to meet in front of the stage immediately following the PTA meeting. Groups include: Health & Safety, Grade Level Representatives, Fundraising & Special Events, Membership & Hospitality

During New Business, Librarian Ms. Tharrington discussed the new AR parent component, Home Connect. Answers to questions about AR can be found by going to the county school website; Moodle; BES; Accelerated Reader (AR) Brochure. Certificate and prizes are awarded for reading and meeting goals. All students 1st – 5th grade received or will receive a paper with the web address, user name and password to access Home Connect when they pick up their report cards. Parents can see what their child(ren) has read, a list of all AR approved books and a description of each. Questions should be directed to Ms. Tharrington. See Accelerated Math (AM) objectives your child has mastered and those they need help on along with practice sheets. Ask your child's teacher for more information.

The PTA is accepting bids to prune and mulch the median in carpool parking lot through 1/30.

Volunteers are needed for Week of the Young Child April 24.

Upcoming Dates: Feb. 11 Early Release, Feb. 16 Teacher Workday, Feb. 20 Spring Picture Day (Volunteers are needed. If interested, please contact a PTA officer or BES office)

Mrs. Eason, BES Principal, reported two parent representatives (Leana Pitt and Kelly Clark) went to a countywide parent involvement meeting. Also, a hot water pipe burst in one of three compass labs – the Reading Lab located in Building C. Everything was destroyed, including 13 computers. The room is being gutted. She commended the County and workers for their efforts and quick response. It is anticipated that insurance will cover damages. She thanked all students and parents for coming to teacher conferences and expressed the importance for kids to explain and understand their own progress, strengths and weaknesses.

Music teacher Mr. David McCray reminded everyone of the current recorder program and web address, <http://www.musik8.com/rkdojo/rksounds.php> User Name: Karake Password: rubic Led by Mr. McCray, 57 5th graders performed. They first sang the National Anthem. Using standing percussion instruments and recorders students performed the French folksong, "By the Light of the Moon". The program concluded with a song to help them learn all 50 states, "Nifty Fifty".

Winners of a \$5 voucher to the school store were all from the 5th grade: Sharie Taylor, Troy Bennett and Erica Davis.

Winners of the raffle were Cathy Creech and Mrs. Church. Each won \$31.50.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29p.m.