

# BES PTO and Site Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, Feb 1, 2023

In Attendance:	Dan, Nicole, Danielle, Talena, Rebekah, Randee, Lyndsey, Chris, Erika
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## 1. Update from Mr Dan Wallsmith

- a. Upcoming state assessments - The window for the 2023 Kansas State Assessments opens up on March 20. Our BESIC students will be testing during the weeks of April 11 and 18. Students in grades 3-5 will test in reading and math with the 5th graders also taking a science assessment. 4th graders complete a project-based social studies assessment during the third quarter.
- b. RELAX - our building leadership team developed a test-taking strategy acronym that we have been implementing this year.
- c. Recent and upcoming trips:
  - i. Baker STEM camps for 5th grade took place on Jan. 19 and 20
  - ii. Day At The Farm for 4th grade - Jan. 26
  - iii. School of Economics for 3rd grade, Jan. 30 and 31
  - iv. STARBASE for 5th grade March 20 - 31
  - v. Spring Book Fair/Family Night week of March 6,
  - vi. Track and Field Day May 5 @ Baker's Liston Stadium
- d. Be sure to utilize our event calendars, FB page
- e. Feb days off confusion. Full days on 2/6 and 2/16 - these days are designated for student-led conferences at BJHS and BHS. This was put in place a few years ago when KSDE began requiring individual plans of study for students beginning in middle school. These conferences serve as planning and progress sessions for students, teachers, and parents. Both elementary schools are planning to reinstate spring conferences within the next 2 school years. At this time, they are not expected to be student-led.
- f. As always if there are topics this site council would like to discuss, they can be added to our next agenda.

## 2. Update from Mrs Nicole King

## 3. STAR program update - Deanna Kessler-Miley

## 4. Treasurer - Jason Barker

- a. Jason is out of town. Appx \$50,000 in all accounts.

## 5. Penny Wars - Are we interested in doing another fundraiser?

- a. Ideally this would run for 1 full week & 4 days with the winning grade being announced on Friday of the 2nd week.
  - i. Danielle facilitate IC,
  - ii. Rebekah to facilitate PC.
- b. Possible dates but open to suggestions from the principals: 2/27 (no school the last Friday tho), 3/27 (no school the last Friday tho), 4/17 & 4/24.
  - i. Agreed on Week of April 24 - May 3, announce on May 4
- c. Pennies & bills increase your grade level points. Silver decreases other grade levels points.
- d. Overall winning grade gets a prize. Popcorn party? Winning grade level at each building gets an extra recess? Suggestions?
  - i. Pizza at lunch winning grade levels
- e. Do we have a coin counter or would the bank be helpful every day in helping with the coins?

- f. We would need 2 volunteers each day to count towards the end of the day & get the money to Jason for deposit or if possible just take straight for deposit.
  - i. Talena has a prepared spreadsheet that will calculate totals.
  - ii. Create Sign-Up Genius to recruit volunteers using PTO account - promote beginning First week of April
  - iii. Rebekah to purchase 9 containers of cheeseballs to use for coin collecting.
- 6. Teacher Appreciation Week - May 1-5
  - a. Budget - \$3,000 for the year, unsure remaining balance
  - b. Monday - Homestead pastries and coffee
  - c. Tuesday - Flatlanders PC/Potato Bar IC
  - d. Wednesday - Flatlanders IC/Potato Bar PC
  - e. Thursday - keychains , Danielle has & has been paid for (\$125), make your Chex Mix bar
  - f. Friday - IC students and staff will be at Baker for Track and Field Day
    - i. Drinks (Sonic is an option)
  - g. Anyone willing to coordinate and take this on? - Rebekah to coordinate
  - h. Ideas - Apple butter from Hornberger farms (BES family) 4oz assorted flavors \$3 each, 8oz apple butter \$4.50 each. Sonic drinks \$1 each.
    - i. Rebekah to coordinate
- 7. Trash bag sales March 20 - 30. Delivery April 5, Pick-up April 6 (IC staff will coordinate)
- 8. Student Appreciation - Kona Ice
  - a. Budget - \$1,500
    - i. Erica will coordinate
  - b. I've been told this happens each year but have no details.
    - i. PC May 11
    - ii. IC May 12
- 9. Discussed option of movie night. License is approx. \$550 for one year.
- 10. Discussed how to spend PTO budget. Dan and Nicole will create wish lists for school/student needs
- 11. Next meeting - May 24 @ 3:45pm at The Lodge - do we want to change time and location?
  - a. Field trip formula
  - b. School/student wish lists for spending (Dan and Nicole to gather lists)
  - c. Set budget amount for next year
  - d. Idea of having a homeroom parent for each class - create a "job" description and have them available for Back To School Night in Fall of 2023.
  - e. Follow up on creating a 501c for PTO
- 12. Are we ready to put the mascot name to a vote?

Can we use this form for all future agendas to keep a running record of notes? Just add the next agenda above this one?



# Bullpup **TEST TAKING** strategies



## **READ**

**Read** the question carefully, then reread the passage or problem.



## **EXAMINE**

**Examine** every answer choice before you choose your answer.



## **LIST, LOOK, LABEL**

- **List** your strategy.
- **Look** for proof.
- **Label** your answer.



## **ALWAYS**

**Always** double check your answer.



## **X-OUT**

**X-out** answers that you know are wrong.