



**Brussels American School  
Parent-Teacher-Student Organization  
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**BAS PTSO GENERAL MEETING** February 2, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 3:25 p.m.

A motion was made to accept the January minutes as written; motion was seconded and motion was passed.

**PRESIDENT** - The President introduced the school nurse who briefly described the function of the BAS Wellness Working Group which is to determine a wellness policy that fits BAS. To that end, she requested that we fill out their Wellness Health Survey to garner opinions on what the school is currently doing and seek ideas for the future.

The President presented a monetary request for up to \$1300 to purchase school planners for next school year in order to take advantage of early purchase discounts. A motion was placed for (up to) \$1300 was submitted, seconded, and approved.

**VICE PRESIDENT** - If you have items for the e-newsletter, please submit them by 10 February.

**TREASURER** - Presented current budget.

**SECRETARY** - No report.

**VP WAYS & MEANS** - Need \$550 more for Spring Fundraiser to cover cost of band (which before was free). Have cut costs in other areas, but still need more funding. Motion to approve monetary request for \$550 was submitted, seconded, and approved. Next Monday the Spring Fundraiser Committee will meet, and promotional flyers are going out. Committee has met their Tombola goal (thank you to the teachers for their contribution), and they are now concentrating on the Silent Auction. Please help solicit donations from local merchants, U.S. companies, or unused items from your closet. A tax form for merchants is available.

**FACULTY VP** - No report.

**VP PROGRAMMING** - The visiting artist will come back in February. The poet rapper will also be here in February. The Band Director is in charge of the band Exit Brass visit. The storyteller will be here in May.

**SCA REP** - Pajama Day tomorrow and Pep Rally on Friday.

**PTSO ADVISOR** - No report.

**SLO** - The Information, Referral, Army Family Action Plan (AFAP), and Army Emergency Relief Manager at ACS (at USAG Brussels) was here for the SLO. She offered to arrange publicity with SHAPE for AFN Public Service Announcements for BAS PTSO Fundraising Events. She also came to solicit volunteers for the next AFAP Working Group to be held at USAG Brussels on 24 February from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the 3Star Recreation Building . This Working Group raises issues or concerns regarding quality of life to leadership.

**FOTA** - Select Advanced Band and Choir members recently auditioned to go on a parent-funded trip to Disneyland. There are 3 Bands coming to BAS in the next few months to perform (donations will be solicited). June 3rd is the Talent Show. FOTA Fundraiser for prom is upcoming (tux rental and corsage-making).

**HOSPITALITY** - No report.

**TEACHER APPRECIATION** - January Coffee and Tea baskets went well. Currently working on a Valentine craft for February.

**SNACK SHACK** - Snack Shack needs substitute volunteers, plus shopping volunteers.

**PUBLICITY** - No report.

**SCHOLARSHIP** - No report.

**PARENT AMBASSADOR** - No one has requested help.

**MEMBERSHIP** - Have 110 members in PTSO. Twenty-three Seniors are eligible for scholarships.

**BOX TOPS** - No report.

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR** - No report.

A call was made for new business. No new business.  
Meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

*Next meeting Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at 3:25 p.m. in the Library.*