



**Brussels American School
Parent-Teacher-Student Organization
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BAS PTSO GENERAL MEETING October 6, 2010

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

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

A nomination was made for voting in new member as PTSO secretary.

A nomination was made for voting in new member as PTSO Treasurer.

Both nominees were voted on and approved.

PTSO ADVISOR - Requested PTSO assistance with the upcoming DoDEA ACDE on 17 November from 1150-1300. His suggestion was to make it a “working lunch” where PTSO members could provide lunch and then interact with the ACDE visiting team.

SCA REP - Gave an overview of upcoming Spirit Week and Homecoming Events.

PRESIDENT - After discussion, nominations and votes were taken on individual October monetary requests. Results are as follows.

1. MS/HS teacher requested \$200.37 for last school year’s Field Day. (previously Approved and therefore honored)
2. 3rd grade teacher requested \$90.91 for 3rd grade supplemental materials (Approved)
3. 3rd grade teacher requested \$82.73 for Privacy Testing Shields (Approved)
4. HS teacher requested \$417.45 for CS5 Tutorial Program (Approved)
5. MS/HS teacher requested \$90 for the Geography Bee registration fee (Approved. In the future, the PTSO Treasurer will make this a line item in the budget; then it will be a recurring cost and no request will be required.)
6. 2nd grade teacher requested \$756 for 7 pencil sharpeners. Original request was for \$110 for 1 pencil sharpener. (Original request for \$110 was approved. Request for additional sharpeners tabled at this time.)
7. 1st grade teacher requested \$11.45 for magnetic coins and \$20 one-year membership to “Enchanted Learning.” (Approved)
8. PE/health teacher requested \$254.85 for Reading A-Z for 3 classrooms. (Approved)
9. Host nation teachers requested 117 €for classroom materials. (Approved)
10. Host nation teachers requested 99 €for purchase of St. Nicholas goodies. (Approved)

11. HS teacher requested \$2000 for Model United Nations participation fee for 10 participants. (Approved; however, had discussion at making line item at specific amount for each student, or, if it stays a request, making request in the Spring.)

Total approved October monetary requests are **\$3077.39** and **216 €**

VICE PRESIDENT - No report.

TREASURER - Reported on PTSO Income Statement as of 10/06/2010.

SECRETARY - No report.

VP WAYS & MEANS - The International Food Fare/Kids Tombola on Sunday, October 24 is from 1500-1700 at the BAS MPR. The event is free; however, Tombola tickets will need to be purchased. There will be a planning meeting for the Food Fare on Thursday October 14 at 9:00 a.m. in the PTSO room.

VP PROGRAMMING - Visiting Artists are set up for 21 and 28 October. Tuesday 23 November a visit from author Helen Grant is scheduled. Preliminary discussions were held to develop an Ambassador Lecture Series in the Spring, featuring views of the same subject from each ambassador.

FACULTY VP - Have not met 100% of faculty PTSO membership goal.

MEMBERSHIP - No report.

HOSPITALITY - Welcome Back Brunch on 22 September went well.

SCHOLASTIC - No report.

BOX TOPS - Bags for box tops are coming.

PUBLICITY - No report.

SLO - Report on security incident at Brussels USAG.

SNACK SHACK - All Snack Shack days have regularly scheduled volunteers signed up and there is a sufficient substitute list.

FOTA - Advanced Band had a great visit at the European Union. Pep Band has rehearsals Thursdays nights at 7:00 p.m. Two shows are scheduled for "Once Upon A Mattress" (March 18 and April 1); still recruiting volunteers to help with that.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR - Please keep track of volunteer hours and submit them.

PARENT AMBASSADOR - No report.

A call was made for new business. No new business.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Next meeting Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at 3:25 p.m. in the Library.

ATTENDEES:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

VP Programming

VP Ways and Means

Box Tops

Hospitality

Faculty VP

Membership

FOTA

SCA Rep

Scholastic

Snack Shack

SLO

Publicity

Parent Ambassadors

Volunteer Coordinator

PTSO Advisors

Visitors