



## **Bancroft PTO General Meeting Minutes**

*November 9, 2021 - Virtual*

### **PTO Board Attendees:**

Sara Blais  
Katja Maravelias  
Sandra Adourian  
Christina Baker  
Stephanie Barry  
Rebecca Peterson  
Amy Hamilton  
Jayashree Mohandas  
Rodney Johnson  
Sandis Wright  
Katie Carbone

### **Other Attendees:**

Michelle Costa, Principal  
Kimberly Rabold, Asst. Principal  
Frank McCall, Teacher representative  
  
5 Bancroft Parents representing K-5

### **Past Events**

- ★ Role Model Training - The students were very engaged. It was a great event; full of team and relationship building. The 5th graders loved it.
- ★ Extreme Science - It was outside and under the tent. The students were very entertained, especially the older students. It was a little scary for some of the younger students.
- ★ Halloween Festival - it was a fantastic event. The volunteer team who pulled the festival together was wonderful. Everyone loved that it was outside. The online auction also went very well.
  - Suggestion: How can we get more staff there? It would be great to have them there with their family and the kids would love seeing them.
- ★ Learning Labs - They are going smoothly. There was a lot of interest for both before and after school courses. We got a few new vendors and more variety. People seem excited about the new additions.

### **Upcoming Events**

- ★ Book Fair - It is next week. It will be held inside and will be class specific for browsing/buying time. Classes should not mingle.
- ★ Gift Card Drive - The PTO will create the signup genius for cards / money donations. Michelle will take care of getting the gift cards to the Bancroft families who need it.

- ★ January Service Day - The C3 committee met with the superintendent to present last year's service day. The committee is currently creating a list of volunteer service projects for this year. The list will be finalized this month. This year we will also ask for project ambassadors. It will be an APS event.

### **Bancroft Bucks**

It was a record year for the dollar amount. Participation was lower, but the people who did donate, donated more than usual.

### **Communication Bylaws**

According to the district bylaws, Michelle is unable to promote any events that are run by third parties or events that raise money for the school (i.e. book fair, fundraising events). She can mention these events are happening and can direct parents to more information on the PTO website but can't add specifics to her newsletter. The PTO can buy paper and send flyers home in backpacks. More information will be provided on the bylaws in the town wide PTO meeting

### **Home Away From Home**

The meeting consists of parents, social workers, teachers and principals. Generally, these meetings do not have an agenda. School council suggested that Bancroft should lay out a schedule for the year with topics. This would encourage more parents to attend. People were confused and not sure what it was so they did not attend.

### **Volunteers Needed**

- ★ Cultural Arts Coordinators - parents who welcome and show vendors around (event specific).
- ★ Maker Studio Volunteer