

Balboa Spirit Club
General Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 2, 2021, 7:00pm

1. Welcome (Laurie)
2. Approve January Meeting Minutes – Motion to approve January Meeting Minutes. Minutes approved by vote (16-0).
3. Valentine’s Day Programs
 - a. Virtual Conversation Hearts (Angel & Suzy) – Angel explained that they’re limited because of Covid. They thought it would be fun if parents, teachers, staff could create conversation hearts that get posted for scholars. Right now, they’re getting pictures of the students, so they’re trying to get the message out that the pictures should be of parents, teachers, staff. They’re accepting submissions from now until Wed Feb 10th.
 - b. Class page in Balboa Times Newsletter – Kristen explained that the student council is putting together a special Valentine’s Day thank you and that room parents are in charge of creating one for each teacher. She’s accepting submissions from now until Fri 5th. Ms. Bronson is present at the meeting, she mentioned she’s excited about the activity.
4. Restaurant Night – Saturday, February 13 at Chipotle
5. Spring Book Fair – March 15-28 (Tin Lai) – Tin Lai explained that we’ll be doing a virtual book fair March 15-28. From the Fall book fair, the school earned \$222.67 in Scholastic bucks that’s in the account to be spent by the school.
6. Teacher Appreciation Week (Gali & Georgia) – Kristen explained that Teacher Appreciation Week is normally in April, and National Teacher Appreciation Week is in May. We have specific reasons for normally doing in April instead (it’s a pick me up before we’re to the very end of the year), but they don’t apply this year while we’re at home. They’re thinking that we should postpone to May, just in case there’s any hope of returning to campus. Kristen asked Ms. Bronson for her opinion, and she suggested we should do whatever is easiest for BSC to put together. Ms. Taguchi mentioned that the SBAC testing is about April 26-May 7, and we could avoid those dates so it’s not as distracting for

the teachers to be able to enjoy. Kristen said that with that in mind, we could plan it for the week of April 19th. Georgia mentioned that we also do an end of the year gift, and that's part of the reason we do Teacher Appreciation Week in April. Decision for Teacher Appreciation Week to be week of April 19th.

7. Future Community Outreach Planning (Angel & Suzy) – Angel explained that we're going to do a Math Night with Mathnasium on Friday night, March 5th. She said that Mathnasium handles everything – they might need additional parent or teacher help if the attendance is overwhelmed. Angel sat in on a Math Night for another elementary school. She said it was really fun and very well-run. It's 60 minutes with four game sections – Jeopardy, Pictionary, Kahoot, and one more game. Mathnasium will handle the sign up process, so that parents respond to Mathnasium and get the Math Night invitation. Angel said that if we get overwhelming sign up we may do multiple nights.
8. Additional Items – Ms. Taguchi wants to thank the parents for participating in the school experience survey! Participation really increased after the Sunday night announcement. Also, there will be another round of materials pickup in the near future, and teachers will be in contact about that. Ms. Bronson asked if she could mention the Math Night and Book Fair in the next Balboa Times – Angel said that would be great. Also, Ms Chun will announce winners of the bookmark contest on Monday.

Next BSC General Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 2nd.