

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

1. Welcome (Laurie)
2. Principal's Update (Mrs. Chun) – Thank you to parents for attending and BSC board members for working hard. Regarding reopening plans, there is no plan in place yet. The office has reopened, Earl (facilities manager) is back on campus, and teachers are able to come on campus to teach from school remotely starting Thursday. Negotiations are all closed doors, she thinks we may hear something on Friday March 5. They're moving classrooms around to meet guidelines of 14 students to a classroom, and working to meet the other County guidelines to be prepared when reopening is able to happen. Question from Carolyn Lertzman – are schools with busing being considered on the same timeline? Mrs. Chun said that she has not heard about differentiation. Planning is taking into account a stricter guideline on number of students per bus. Question from Kelly Skorupski – is there a plan for morning/afternoon attendance? Mrs. Chun has the same question. Before figuring that out, they need to see if teachers will come back and also survey parents to see who plans to attend. Question from Carolyn Lertzman – earlier survey specified that the students may not be with their current teacher, is that still true? Mrs. Chun said the district has not addressed that. Parent teacher conferences and grading is coming. Conferences aren't mandatory, but will happen for students not meeting benchmarks and any other students who want to have a conference. Question from Lauren Gammaitoni – are teachers grading as if everything is normal and students are in class? Mrs. Chun said that grades should be reflective of where students are at and teachers should be giving opportunities for accepting later assignments and rescheduling tests. Read Across America has been a great effort and scholars have been excited. This month's social hour with Mrs. Chun and Mrs. Taguchi will be a bookmaking session in spirit of Read Across America.
3. Approve February Meeting Minutes – Motion to approve February Meeting Minutes, motion seconded. Minutes approved by vote (18-0).
4. Memory Books (Carolyn & Lauren). Lauren is making a class yearbook with Shutterfly. Pricing is about \$20-40. There's an option for 11x8 hardcover bulk class book (or yearbook) to buy a minimum of 10. She's doing the option to create an individual book and share it with parents so

anyone can order who wants the book. Lauren emailed parents to ask for photo of each students, poem/letter/picture by each student about the year where parent sends photo to Lauren. Each page is a student with their poem/letter/picture. Nadia asked Lauren to send a copy of the email that she sent to parents. Carolyn shared the version that the 1<sup>st</sup> grade is doing on Google slides. Each student has a slide – picture, describe favorite memory, “in second grade I want to” and message to friends for the summer, and a project/writing/artwork from the year. The teacher has a slide for the teacher picture and a message to the class. The end project is a digital format and not hard copy. Carolyn offered this template for any classes who want to put this together. It could be converted to Shutterfly by converting the slides to an image. Mrs. Chun thinks we don’t need media forms because it’s a yearbook. Kristen will email Carolyn’s link to room parents to describe the options.

5. Math Night – Friday, March 5 (Angel & Suzy). Angel said that there has been an overwhelming demand by students, so there will be two Math Nights. Grades 1-3 are this Friday March 5, and Grades 3-5 will be next Friday March 12. Mathnasium emailed parents today with the meeting invite. Angel sat in on a past Mathnasium night and thinks it will be very fun for the students. Ms. Bronson asked if we still need volunteers, because she would like to volunteer or view the night. Angel will ask Mathnasium if they need a volunteer or figure out a way that Ms. Bronson can view the night.
6. Spring Book Fair – March 15-28 (Tin Lai). We’re starting to spread the word about the book fair. It will be done through the Scholastic website. It is free shipping for purchases \$25 or more.
7. Restaurant Night – March (Churi). The next restaurant night will be Sunday March 14 11am-9pm at The Stand. It was really successful in the Fall, so that is one that we want to do again. The menu will offer a kids lunchbox as a takeaway item, plus including all of the menu for lunch and dinner.
8. Teacher Appreciation Week (Gali & Georgia). Gali explained it will be April 19-23. The theme will be “Balboawood” award week, with each day having a different theme. Kelly asked if there will be an all-room parent meeting, Kristen agreed it would be a good idea.
9. BSC Board Positions for 2021-22. Laurie explained that the vote on board positions will be at the May meeting, so now is a good time to start thinking about learning more about board positions.

Being on the board is great to get involved with the school and build relationships with parents and teachers. Kristen is going to post board position descriptions on the Balboa parents website. Kelly mentioned that she wanted to step back as Earthquake Preparedness Chair. Mrs. Chun suggested we may not need to do it for this year, and we might want to approach it differently next year and purchase essentials schoolwide to keep in the earthquake shed. Laurie suggested that this could be discussed at the first Fall board meeting to create a plan for the year.

10. Additional items or upcoming events.

Next BSC General Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 6th.