

## **BSC General Meeting – Minutes**

**Meeting Date – Friday, October 27, 2017**

**Time: 8:30 a.m.**

**Location: PTR, Balboa Magnet**

**# Members Present – 23**

1. Student Council President Mazel Cenizia updated everyone about the student council activities -- Boo grams, Halloween Candy Split, and Spirit day. They also said they would help BSC at Fitness Day. Sandra said that BSC will support Student council as much as we can.
2. Sandra thanked Colleen for Balboa Beat, Natalie for the Fitness Day, Pin Pin for the Green Team and Fifth Grade planning team.
3. Sunshine Fund was passed around for donations. The donations this month will be used to buy a gift card for Sonia as she had a shoulder surgery.
4. Allison made a motion to approve the minutes from last general meeting (September 29). Georgia seconds it. Minutes were approved.
5. Jeanne updated that compass fund is now over \$100,000. She said BSC made \$1,051 on ticket sales at the Harvest festival. Food trucks made \$168. Around 415 people attended the Harvest Festival. Book Swap did not do too well this year. She also updated that Raffle permit was submitted. Math night permit was not yet submitted. Jeanne would appreciate any help she can get with permits. Compass Fundraising campaign was extended by a few days. Jeanne reminded everyone regarding company matching.
6. Danielle said that the next issue of the Balboa Beat will be in November. She would like to include more class related news stories that would be interesting to read. She also asked to let her know if there are any changes to be made on the web site. Since this is her last year at Balboa, she asked if anyone would like to shadow her for the web site or room parent coordinator position, so they could take it over next year. SDR coordinator position is still open. Someone is needed to send reminder emails to room parents regarding SDR dates every week. Suggestion was made to embed the SDR volunteer link on the Shutterfly website. Danielle said she will send tips to room parents regarding this and remind people regarding safety issues for dropping and picking. She also said that if room parents can't find any volunteers for SDR then they should let her know so they can arrange for help. She asked parents to jump in to help if they can. 5 parents are needed in the morning SDR and 2 parents in the afternoon. A few parents suggested a new name for SDR, as it sounds confusing.
7. Reminder regarding Coffee and Gardening and Recycle events on first Friday of every month.

8. Sandra asked for feedback regarding Harvest festival. She asked parents to send her an email or may be do a survey regarding the feedback since there were a lot of suggestions/comments. Some of the suggestions were increasing activities, more food options, changing the time etc.

9. Jenna said she will be doing the Toy Drive with Toys for Tots. She will be providing boxes to classrooms so parents can drop their toys/donations.

10. Natalie said that there was another pep rally planned for Fitness Day. She said that sign ups by parents did not work on Fitness Day as there was very poor WIFI. Only 77 people had registered so far. Volunteers were needed for the Fitness Day. Volunteers are also needed when prizes will be handed out.

11. Restaurant Fundraisers- Reminder that December 6 is Panda Express Restaurant Night and Souplantation is in January.

12. Spell-a-thon is on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. A chair is needed for the Spell-a-thon.

13. Mayra said that spirit store made \$400 at Harvest Festival. New t-shirts have arrived.

14. Please send pictures to yearbook committee.

15. Allison reported that they need people for silent auction at the FOA. Please email her if you have any ideas.

16. Gabby reported that December 14 is the Staff/Faculty lunch. She needs help with set up and clean up.

17. Mrs. Davenport reported that the Superintendent came for a visit. She also said that since Balboa is not a title 1 or a charter school, it doesn't qualify for certain pools of funds in LAUSD. For this reason BSC's efforts to raise funds are very critical and appreciated. This year there are many changes in the fundraising efforts and there's a bigger push for compliance from the district, which will make things more difficult for PTAs and PTOs. LAUSD doesn't want any fundraising efforts during instruction time. Also appropriate paperwork needs to be filed as everything is being scrutinized. Mrs. Davenport also believes that electronic communication is the way to go as parents are tech savvy. She also said that she will talk to parents personally who do not follow any safety rules during drop off and pick up.

18. Diana will donate a first aid kit so it can be available at BSC events. Reynalyn will email her the details of what kind of first aid kit is needed.