

## **Bateman Booster Monthly Meeting Agenda & Minutes**

**Wednesday, January 10, 2023 - 6:00pm - Library at Bateman**

**Meetings: The first Wednesday of Every Month @ 6pm (location varies)**

**Upcoming Meetings: 2/7, 3/6**

**Attendees: Kjirstin G., Jessica H., Cassandra K., Sara H., Denise C., Julia B., Allison R., Vanessa P., Katie F, Dani C., Jess F., Meg D., Mary M., Andia G.**

### **Ways to be involved with Bateman Boosters:**

Join the board, Join a committee, Volunteer at events, Post social events to your facebook grade band page, Share events with your friends and neighbors, contribute financially, or share your own skills and talents!

### **Welcome, President Opening Statement**

#### **Treasurer's Report (as of 1/10/24)**

Current Bank Balance: \$49,019.69

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Pending Expenses</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 2022-2023 Auditorium Audio/Visual Cost Still Due: \$23,437.50</li></ul></li><li>● <b>Expenses since last meeting:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Website Annual Fees: \$294.68</li></ul></li><li>● <b>Income since last meeting:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Sponsorship Compass/Sugandhi Chugani: \$1,000</li><li>○ Leader Bar MnM: \$230</li></ul></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Pending Income:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Mima's DtD</li><li>○ Portillo's DtD</li><li>○ Unpaid Sponsorships</li><li>○ Rockwell's Promotion</li></ul></li></ul> |
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#### **Meeting top Priorities:**

Superbowl Squares

Spring Fling Event and Auction Planning

### **Super Bowl Squares**

We need a lead! Sinead can do it if no one else can.

(Create social media posts for Julia to post, keep track of payment and keep track of squares purchased)

Kickoff: January 22nd!

- Would Father's Club want to take this over? (Have to have good communication and write up the social media posts)
- If not, Vanessa is willing to do it.

### **Spring Fling Planning:**

#### **Artifact Events, Fri, April 26**

Event Chair: Vanessa Padecky

Event Co-Chair: Katie Fortney

Event Committee: Alison Ramos, Meg Dempsey & Mary McConville

Alcohol Donation Chair: Jess Hess-Follander

- Plan a date for a Kickoff Meeting (ideally in the next 2 weeks)
- Alcohol donation spreadsheet has been started: [Alcohol Donations/Requests for Spring Fling 2024](#)
  - Hiccup with new IL laws - many distributors don't want to donate alcohol due to IL laws (one said they couldn't because of venue's permanent liquor license)
  - Potential workaround to this by having venue buy alcohol at cost (paid for by Boosters) and then the provider gives Boosters an equivalent \$ donation
- We need to figure out what we are going to do for glasses
  - Rent? Purchase? Have rocks glasses made by Hound Custom? (cost?) - Can we build this cost into ticket price? So you get a glass with your ticket at check-in?
    - Hound Custom is an option
    - Perhaps the caterer we get can provide?
    - Vanessa is going to ask her brother (who owns a bar) if maybe they can lend glasses
- If we do BigStar for food - they don't provide cups/glasses
- Rebecca Bean asking a fellow K parent who is a distributor—follow up
- (I can't believe I'm asking this) Do we want a theme for SF? Specific decor or anything?
  - Might be nice, but not necessary - theme is "raise money for Bateman!"

### **Auction (Silent Auction and Event/Auction Platform)**

Auction Chairs: Julia Bryant, Jess Feldt and Kirsten Cobb

- Online Auction Vendor:
  - Cassandra and Allison have researched a large handful of sites, we will have the platform chosen by next meeting
    - Top 3: Auctria, ClickBid & GalaBid
    - Auctria is Allison's favorite - check out a demo [HERE](#)
- Auction items - start gathering ideas of new items. If anyone is interested, I can send a doc with last year's items.
  - Julia updated the big spreadsheet - this year's page is blank (so as not to muddy it up). As you contact a vendor, please update and add them (copy & paste is fine from the previous year if needed).
- Should we reinstate the Boosters Auction Email?
  - YES! Good to send emails from so responses all end up in one place.
    - Email: [bbspringfling@gmail.com](mailto:bbspringfling@gmail.com)
    - Password: B@temaN4220
- What should we do differently than last year?
- Kjustin wants to give up spearheading the Parent/Teacher Experiences (parties) - does anyone want to take that on?
- Auction items
  - Ms. Davos confirmed they have plenty of Bateman swag
  - SignUpGenius for grade baskets
  - Idea: Auction for child to choose "movie on the turf" out of options selected by admin (ok'd by Ms. Davos)
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## Disney Play

Meeting with Admin, FORGE, and Ms. Soto asap to discuss if it's best to wait until the fall so as not to disturb current FORGE planning.- email sent to admin to get a meeting on the calendar. Jess H-F to send contract back, recommends purchasing the Video License for \$75.00

## Dine/Shop/Play to Donate

Chair: Cassandra

Goal: Monthly Dine to Donate / Quarterly Shop to Donate/Seasonal Play to Donate

### Dine

- Smoque BBQ- 7/12- 7/13 \$189.14 (but gave \$1000, applying \$250 to DtD and \$750 to sponsorship)
- Angelo's 8/31 & 9/7 \$1608.94
- Easy Street 9/13 \$518.33
- Sonic 10/9 - ALL DAY - \$?
- Mima's Taste of Cuba: 11/12-11/14 from 7am-8pm \$170 (\$1130 15%)
- Portillos - 11/30 from 5-8pm \$260 (\$1298 20%)
- McDonalds (Kedzie) - 1/18/24 - 5-7pm

### Shop

- Clark Street Sports - \$340.76 total. They're sending a check.
- Ongoing campaign Mabel's Labels - Link it with the Lost and Found (currently at \$23 raised; need at least \$50 to receive check) - *Share the code with friends*
- Boon Supply - 11/17-12/8
- Angelo's GC's - (not this year)

### Play

- Climbzone Fundraiser 2/2 4-8pm
- First Ascent 3/8/24, 3pm-8pm

## Sponsorships

Chair: Meg

Co-Chair: Mary

- Ad sales for Spring Fling
- Solicitation is ongoing (Please send prospect ideas to Meg and Mary!)
- \$11,400 in sponsor support pledged (\$2650 in kind); invoicing/follow-up in progress
- Sponsor logo to be finalized pending new Boosters logo (?)
- Social media promotion to commence this week
- Spring Fling Sponsorship promotion; Potential Father's Club sponsorship to underwrite costs

## Community Business Directory

Chair: Meg

Co-Chair:

- Updates to website in the next few weeks
- Promotion plan to launch with Bateman Buzz
- Send suggestions to Meg

## Social Updates

Chair: Julia

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KPr7IlkHd5vyIPVcuV52kuiljOA2VyKFhJvWDb1EIO0/edit>

## **Website**

Chair: Meagan

- [Thought to add a Boosterfest page \(with ticket prices for next year\) and photos from the last Boosterfest](#)

## **Outdoor Enrichment - Nothing New**

Chair: Kyla Wenger

Committee: Kristin Brock

## **T-Shirts:**

### **Cassandra**

We will use Hound custom.

Price:

Order Form

## **School Communication/Blasts**

Secretary: Jess

Description of Booster communications can be found in Booster Drive - Booster Communications - Buzz / Blast / Emails Here is the link:

[Definition - BUZZ, BLASTS, EMAILS](#)

## **Boosters Dates for the year:**

- Climb Zone Fundraiser Friday 2/2/24
- Super Bowl Squares 2/22/24
  - Start Date 1/22/24
  - End Date 2/11/24
- Lottery Tree
  - Starts 3/1/24
  - Ends 3/17/24
- Climb to Donate: First Ascent, Friday 3/8/24
- OE - Community Earth Day Work Day Campus Care 4/21/24 11-1
- OE - School Earth Day Celebration 4/22/24
- **Spring Fling 4/26/24—at Artifact Events**
- Teacher Appreciation 5/6/24-5/10/24

## **Comments & Announcements**

- Administration:
- Sponsors:
- BAC/PAC:
  - Jan 25, 4-5:30 Family Movie Night (Pachamama, in Spanish, with Spanish subtitles)
  - Jan 19th, 8:30-9:15, Understanding 504's and IEP's, Bateman Library
- BFC:
  - Next meeting 1/11 at Leader Bar

- 2/24 - Bowling event at TimberLanes from 2-5:30pm
- Library Committee: The Bateman Library Committee has been working hard to get hundreds of new books in English and Spanish on the shelves and in kids' hands! We always need more volunteer help. Email Lydia [lydia.milman.schmidt@gmail.com](mailto:lydia.milman.schmidt@gmail.com)

### **WHO ARE BATEMAN BOOSTERS**

- Bateman Boosters is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to supporting our community school. We are parents, neighbors and community friends committed to enhancing the learning experience for all Bateman students through fundraising. All are welcome.
- Since 2016, Bateman Boosters has raised more than \$190,000. We have supported the fine arts program, replaced the auditorium curtains (from the 50's!), installed an electronic message board, purchased new classroom libraries, provided a gymnasium barrier, installed modern water fountains with bottle filling stations, purchased promethean boards for each classroom, and paid for updates to the auditorium.
- With your generous support we hope to reach our highest annual fundraising goal ever in 2023-2024, \$95,000.
- As always, the use of these funds is coordinated with our school administration and staff with an aim at projects that benefit all students in every grade level. Our goal for this year impacts the entire Bateman community as we raise funds for Blaze Plays: Our 2023-2024 fundraising campaign "Blaze Plays" aims to improve our play areas, supply resources to our athletics and arts departments, and supplement potential budget shortfalls for vital support staff.
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### **2023-2024 Executive Board:**

- Kjirstin Glessner-President, BOOOsterfest Chair
- Cassandra Kittler-Vice President, Dine and Shop to Donate Chair
- Jessica Hess-Follander- Secretary, Teacher Appreciation Chair, Back to School chair
- Kyla Wenger - Treasurer, Outdoor Enrichment Chair, Grant Writer

### **2023-2024 Board Members at Large**

1. Molly Maier -
2. Julia Wylie-Bryant - Social Chair, Auction Co-Chair
3. Meagan Grant - Website chair
4. Sara Herman - Community Outreach
5. Vanessa Padecky- Spring Fling Event Chair
6. Meg Dempsey - Business Directory & Sponsorships Chair
7. Andia Grice-Haunted House
8. Kelly Graham-Winter Gear Drive
9. Jess Feldt-Auction Chair
10. Katie Fortney - Spring Fling Co-Chair and Volunteer Coordinator
11. Allison Ramos - Spring Fling Event Committee

**Thank you for joining! Your questions, feedback and ideas are always welcome! Here's how to find us:**

- [FriendsofBateman.org](http://FriendsofBateman.org)
- [FriendsofBateman@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofBateman@gmail.com)

- @BatemanBoosters
- [Facebook](#)
- [Instagram](#)

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