

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

**Wednesday, October 4, 2023 - 6:00pm - Library at Bateman**

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

**Upcoming Meetings: 11/1, 12/6**

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

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

## **Welcome, President Opening Statement & CPS Volunteer Sign-up Reminder**

### **Meeting Priorities:**

Mix n' Mingle Recap, Walk-a-thon Status Update, New Bateman Families, Sponsorships, Campus Care Event (10/14), Winter Gear Drive and Giveaway (starts 10/10, ends 10/25 - giveaway date TBD), **BOOOsterfest (10/21)**, Spring Fling Check-In, Unfilled-Chair Positions

### **Treasurer's Report (as of 10/3/23)**

Current Bank Balance: \$60,461.39

- 2022-2023 Auditorium Audio/Visual Cost Still Due: \$23,437.50
- Expenses since last meeting:
  - ILNPF Annual Report filing: -\$14.00
  - Pledgestar Fee: -\$995.00
  - Mix n Mingle Event Cost: -\$143.64
  - Donorbox Fee: -\$5.18
  - Boosterfest Expenses: -\$457.53
- Income since last meeting:
  - Brown Paper Tickets: \$1,885.00
  - Mix n' Mingle Raffle: \$277.98
  - Walk-a-thon (only showing transferred funds): \$25,533.41
  - Sponsorships: \$1,994.53
- Pending Income:
  - Angelo's & Easy Street DtD
  - Leader Bar MnM
  - BPT balance
  - Unpaid Sponsorships
  - Clark Street Sports? - [was paid](#)
- To discuss/do:
  - Distribution of Walk-a-Thon funds: Confirm all income less online payment platform fees and Pledgestar fee. Ends 10/6, distribution date 10/20?
  - BPT Follow Up?
  - \$1000 Cash for BOOOsterfest
  - File Taxes
  - File Articles of Amendment
- Grant Application Updates:
  - 9/29/23 - Disney's Broadway Junior Grant Application submitted. Will be awarded by 11/15/23
  - Application to private business grant to fund spring production submitted 10/3/23

### **Mix N Mingle Recap**

**9/21/2023, 6pm, Leader Bar**

- Brought in \$265 with the raffle
- Sent thank you email to LeaderBar on 9/27
- Have not heard anything on the 10% donation. How did they send the check previously with the dine to donate?

## **Bateman Walkathon Status Update**

**Date: September 29 - Donation window closes 10/6**

- "Received" so far: \$29,738
- Next week we will start organizing for the raffle drawing/prize delivery
- Good feedback from students: they want to do it quarterly!! Lots learned, will meet with Mr. Nowak next week
- Full post-mortem @ next meeting

## **New Bateman Families:**

22+ students arrived this week

Will continue working with Admin and the social workers to see how we can help

Thank you to those who donated supplies, clothes and toys!

- [Ms. Davos talked about the fluidity of students coming and going as they move from temp housing to permanent housing. If they see another influx, they will probably reach out to us to do another drive.](#)

## **Sponsorships**

Chair: Meg

Co-Chair: Mary

- Annual sponsorship renewal letters sent; follow-up almost completed!
- Solicitation letters underway (Please send prospect ideas to Meg and Mary!)
- \$9250 in sponsor support pledged; invoicing/follow-up in progress
- [Jess to send out sponsorship flyer again.](#)

## **Outdoor Enrichment**

Chair: Kyla Wenger

Committee: Kristin Brock

- **REMINDER:** Workday to prep fenceline for tulip planting and to clean up classrooms: 10/14 1pm-4pm (will re-finish remaining tables and chairs if weather permits) - [Girl scouts planting tulips at their meetings](#)
- **PLAYGROUND** - Worried about the sinking turf? Concerned about the age and reliability of the playground equipment? Disturbed by the fact that the play structure isn't accessible? KEEP MAKING NOISE! EMAIL YOUR THOUGHTS TO:  
Pedro Martinez (CPS CEO) - [pmartinez3@cps.edu](mailto:pmartinez3@cps.edu)  
Ivan Hansen (CPS Chief of Facilities) - [ihansen2@cps.edu](mailto:ihansen2@cps.edu)  
Jamel Chambers (CPS Manager of Intergovernmental Affairs) - [jdchambers3@cps.edu](mailto:jdchambers3@cps.edu)  
Chuck Swirsky (CPS Senior Advisor, Chief Executive Office) - [cbswirsky@cps.edu](mailto:cbswirsky@cps.edu)  
Rossana Rodriguez (33rd Ward Alderperson) - [rossana@33rdward.org](mailto:rossana@33rdward.org)  
Cristina Pacione-Zayas (IL Senator, 20th District) - [senatorpacionezayas@gmail.com](mailto:senatorpacionezayas@gmail.com)  
Vincentia Egonmwan (Deputy Chief of Staff to the BOE) - [vegonmwan@cps.edu](mailto:vegonmwan@cps.edu)

## **Winter Gear Drive and Giveaway, 10/10-10/26**

Chair: Kelly Graham

Need: Boxes (Jess?) - [Kelly can bring boxes from work](#)

Can use last year's social copy @Julia

[Create a SignUpGenius for volunteers at drop off/pickup to be outside doors 1-3 \(from 8-8:20am and 3-3:20pm from 10/10-25 - the 26th is no school, but parent teacher conferences. -](#)

## **Boosterfest Planning**

Date: October 21st

Committee Leads:

Food: Denise

- Tamales Express
- Pizza Y Pan Pa'Ya
- Somethin Sweet Donuts (+coffee)
- Hound Custom (Hot chocolate-free?)
- Water (sold by Boosters) - has been ordered and will be picked up and delivered by Sarah Hammer.

### Boosterfest Planning (continued)

Games: Ashley McMullin

- Bouncy obstacle course is a GO (Andrade) - NBGC volunteers (2)
- Pie-In-the-Face (BFC)
- Passive games with PE equipment - BFC volunteers - or NBGC volunteers (2)
- Chess - 10 sets out - chess volunteer

Activities: Jessica Hess-Follander

- Plenty of activities
  - Face Painting (Girl Scouts) - ask Molly if they are purchasing face paints
  - Temp halloween tattoos (Boosters) - 1 volunteer
  - Photo op backdrop (Boosters) - Balloon arch by Dani - her husband can do large backdrop printing if needed
  - Pumpkin Painting (33rd Ward) - providing everything
  - Sensory Table (Le Village)
  - Spider Craft (Boosters) - 2 volunteers
  - Coloring Table (BAC/PAC)
    - Coloring books from the UPS Store (Danny confirmed) (maybe put some at the Trunk or Treat too?)

Haunted House: Andia and Agne:

Coming together! Art teachers painting backdrops

NBGC will be babysitting on Friday during setup (6pm and after)

- Need either 8th graders to assist between 3:15-6pm OR can those few kids go to after-care for that day? How many kids?
  - Jess's 2 kids
  - Kjirstin's 2 kids

Father's Club: Pie In the Face and Screen Printing (Hound custom)

Volunteer coordinator: Katie Fortney -

- Agne finalizing for actors (victim & killer)
- Scary - need Grim Reaper & Pennywise for 3 hours (or broken up) - or possibility for a 30 min break (12:15-12:45) that has no actors and not so scary for other kids
- Doll Room - need someone every 30 minutes
- Jurassic Park -
  - T-Rex - 3 hours ( or 2 shifts)
  - Velociraptor - 3 hours (or 2 shifts) 11-12:30, 12:30-2
- Entrance volunteer for each house
- Vanessa might have more dolls at work
- Need a light installed in the storage closet
- Need tents

- Admin - has 4 tents
- Nate said Le Village has 1
- Gretchen has 1 tent
- Vanessa has 1 tent
- North River Commission has 1 tent

Trunk Or Treat:

Still accepting Trunks! 7 so far.

To do: Backpack stuffer/neighborhood flyering - [Krissy is working on this](#)

Volunteer Signup Genius

Measure and plan out the outdoor spaces

Create A Run-Of-Show for setup on 10/20

Create more social buzz leading up to it, highlight the food vendors

## **Spring Fling Check-In, Artifact Events, Fri, April 26**

Event Chair: Vanessa Padecky

Event Committee:

Auction Chair: [Jess Feldt \(processing/back of office\)](#) and [Kirsten Cobb](#)

**\*\*We will need to start contacting businesses that can/will donate alcohol/beer/wine to the event. Any contacts will be helpful for this!\*\***

- Working on an alcohol donation letter
- Rebecca Bean asking a fellow K parent who is a distributor
- Kelly Graham has a neighbor who is a distributor
- [Katie Fortney has a list of alcohol providers](#)

## **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 (Bateman Family Owned)**
- Reached out to Mima's and setting up Portillo's for November

### **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*

### **Play**

- Working with First Ascent for late fall or early spring date
- Climbzone Fundraiser 2/2

## **Community Business Directory**

Chair: Meg

Co-Chair:

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

## **Social Updates**

Chair: Julia

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

## Website

Chair: Meagan

-Updated w/ October events and Boosterfest info.

## 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](#)

## Current chair needs: (does not need to be a board member)

- Volunteer Coordinator (Katie Fortney?) - [thinking about it](#)
- 3 unfilled Board Member at Large Positions

## Boosters Dates for the year:

- Winter Gear Drive 10/10/23 - 10/27/23
  - Shopping Date(s) - Decided by Admin
- Campus Work Day 10/14/23 1-4
- **BOOOsterfest Date Saturday 10/21/23 11-2 + 2-3**
- Boosters Monthly Mtg. 11/1/23
- Boosters Monthly Mtg. 12/6/23
- 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
- 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

## Old Business

- Brown Paper Tickets sent us our first installment, 2 days after the article by Block Club

## Comments & Announcements

- Administration:
- Sponsors:
- BAC/PAC:
  - Next meeting 10/13 at 8:30am in the library - HS Info Session with our School Counselor, Sandra Rivera
  - Dia de los Muertos Campasucil Flower Making Session on 10/13 at 9:15am
- BFC:

- Next meeting 10/12 at 7:30pm at Leader Bar
- 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. There is a meeting this Friday at 8:30am or 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, \$67,000.
- 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: supporting movement and creativity for all students at Bateman.

### **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
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11. X

**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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