

Bateman Booster Monthly Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Wednesday, August 2, 2023 - 6:00pm - Horner Park Playground

Welcome! Formal Mission, Achievements

- 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 have had the pleasure of raising more than \$190,000. We have been able to support the fine arts program, replace the auditorium curtains (from the 50's!), install an electronic message board, purchase new classroom libraries, provide a gymnasium barrier, install modern water fountains with bottle filling stations, purchase promethean boards for each classroom, and pay 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: creating movement and play opportunities through supporting the PE program and rebuilding the playground to be more inclusive and safer.

President opening statement

Welcome!

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!

Top priorities tonight:

2023-2024 Funding Projects - Blaze Plays
Approve the Budget
Create the BOOOsterfest committee
Fill chair leads
Back to School Bash
Look over the schedule for the year

Treasurer's Report (as of 8/1/23)

2022-2023 Funds for School: \$59,562.50!!

- Current Bank Balance: \$32,744.25
- 2022-2023 Auditorium Audio/Visual Cost Still Due: \$23,437.50
- Pending Check Purchase: \$86.53
- Amount Donated to Bateman for SY 2023-2024: \$5,500
- Remaining Balance: \$10,220.22
- Horner Park Brewfest Funds Not Yet Deposited: \$337 (net total raised \$423.39) -

- Smoque DtD check not yet rec'd - sponsorship?

2023/2024 Budget Review/Vote:

2023 Budget	\$14,845.00	
Est Fees (Incl. Acct. & Marketing)	-\$1,261.70	2022 + 10%
BOOOsterfest	-\$1,000.00	(+\$500 Event Sponsorship)
Spring Fling	-\$9,000.00	(+\$6,000 Event Sponsorship)
Teacher Appreciation	-\$500.00	(+\$500 Event Sponsorship & Gift Drive)
Mix n' Mingles	-\$600.00	(\$150 quarterly)
FunRun	-\$350.00	
UPS Printing	TBD	
Balance (of 20%):	\$2,133.30	

	-\$16,372.4		
2022 Actual	4	Sponsorship Needs/Goals	
Fees	-\$52.32	Total Event Sponsorship Needed	\$7,000.00
BOOOsterfest	-\$686.92	Sponsorship Goal (22% over prior)	\$14,000.00
Spring Fling	-\$14,272.81	2022-2023 Net Sponsorship	\$11,500.00
Teacher Appreciation	-\$114.50		
Mix n' Mingles	-\$151.21		
Marketing	-\$294.68		
Accounting	-\$800.00		

Questions? Vote: passed (unanimously)

Funding this year: For the Playground (Blaze Plays)

- Good will gesture
- Question about how fundraising goals are decided - can we assist with making the bathrooms nicer at Bateman? Maybe just fresh paint could help?

Current Board positions:

Executive Board

1. Kjirstin Glessner-President, BOOOsterfest Chair

2. Cassandra Kittler–Vice President, Dine and Shop to Donate Chair
3. Jessica Hess-Follander- Secretary, Teacher Appreciation Chair, Back to School chair
4. Kyla Wenger - Treasurer, Outdoor Enrichment Chair

Board Members at Large

1. Molly Maier -
2. Julia Wylie-Bryant - Social Chair, Auction Co-Chair, Room Parent Coordinator
- ~~3. Jess Hess-Follander - Teacher & Staff Appreciation / Back to School Chair~~
4. Meagan Grant - Website chair
5. Sara Herman - Community Outreach Chair,
6. Vanessa Padecky- Spring Fling Event Chair
7. Meg Dempsey - Business Directory & Sponsorships Chair
8. X
9. X
10. X
11. X

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

- Pledge Drive (Molly showed interest)
- Spring Fling Auction Chair
- Grant Writing
- Community Care (what could this look like, should we disband?)
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Winter Gear Drive

Back to School

- List of committees to join

Bateman Mile

Date: September 29

- We are supporting the school with this initiative in turning it from pen and paper to an online fundraiser.

Boosterfest Planning

Date: October 21st

Committee Leads: - Allison Ramos - interested in being on the committee

Haunted House: Andia Grice

Food:

Games:

Activities:

Looking into student council to help with leading games or acting in the haunted House

Keeping the 2 different haunted houses

- Can High schoolers or Girl Scouts help?
- Going to sell water for \$\$
- Joanna Rosenthal (from Dovetail) floated the idea of a performance for BoosterFest

Dates for the year:

- September Community Mix 'Mingle Date 9/21/23
- Winter Gear Drive 10/10/23 - 10/27/23
 - Shopping Date(s) - Decided by Admin
- BOOOsterfest Date Saturday 10/21/23 11-2
- Climb Zone Fundraiser Friday 2/2/24
- BAC Cultural week 2/12-2/16/24
- 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
- Teacher Appreciation 5/6/24-5/10/24

Popsicles in the Park 8/16 from 4-5pm

- Meagan, Meg, Kyla

Back to School Bash 8/18 from 9-11am

- Jess will put together Sign up genius for Back to School Bash
 - ½ hour increments - 2 people each

Boo Hoo Coffee**Mix & Mingle - first one 9/21**

- Where at? LeaderBar? Will they give us \$ back?
- Ideas: Golden Crust, rent out TimberLanes, El Alebrije?

Dine to Donate

Chair: Cassandra

Goal: Monthly Dine to Donate / Quarterly Shop to Donate

Running Total for SY 2023-2024 (\$1,000):

- Which restaurants/shops were the most successful?
 - Miko's, Easy Street, Angelo's
- Smoque BBQ- 7/12- 7/13 \$189.14 (but gave us a check for \$1000)
- FY 2023-2024
 - Angelo's 8/24 and 8/31
 - Feedback?
 - Proposing:
 - Move Sonic to Sept 22nd or Oct 9th (no school)

- Move up Angelo's to Sept (better weather)
- Push Portillos October/November

Shop to Donate

Chair: Cassandra

- 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

Outdoor Enrichment

Chair: Kyla Wenger

Committee: Ashley McMullin, Kristin Brock

- 2nd Annual Campus Care Event will be AUGUST 13th, 2023 from 11am-1pm
 - Volunteer/Outreach & PR needed
- Playground Campaign
 - Sign up to register and attend school board meetings [HERE](#)
 - Need more help with getting into meetings - it's similar to CPD registration: Advance registration to speak will open the Monday preceding the Board meeting at 10:30 a.m. and close Tuesday at 5:00 p.m., or until all slots are filled, unless otherwise noted. Advance registration during this period is available online: www.cpsboe.org (recommended) or by phone: (773) 553-1600). All meetings are at 10:30am @ CPS Loop Office 42 W. Madison St. Chicago, IL 60602 Garden Level, Board Room OR virtual
 - Letter [Here](#)
 - Survey of Ideas from Group (who can fund, grants, suggested outreach, etc.)
- Potential opportunity: <https://www.spacetogrowchicago.org/about/about-space-to-grow/> - are houses around Bateman flooding?
 - Meagan knows of some neighbors that flooded recently
 - Check out Horner Park Neighbors - for water issues
 - Ask Bateman Community on Facebook

Community Business Directory

Chair: Meg

Co-Chair:

- Updates underway; target completion by August 16
- Promotion plan to launch with start of school
- Send suggestions to Meg

Sponsorships

Chair: Meg

Co-Chair: Mary

- Updated sponsor categories under consideration
- Revised prospectus to be developed
- Annual sponsorship renewal letters targeted for week of August 7

- Please send prospect ideas to Meg and Mary!
- Need to put a form on the website - work with Meagan

Social Updates

Chair: Julia

Does Admin know?

- Money made on school grounds needs to go directly to the school - cannot be funnelled through a 3rd party (ie Boosters)

Digital Sign on Richmond

- Link:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfAile-P0iqllREgRBei4WaHx9PKpFVtm0urzHKSICZsYDW4g/viewform>

Grant Writing - NOTHING NEW

Chair: Kyla

Website

Chair: Meagan

School Communication/Blasts

Secretary: Jess

Description of Booster communications can be found in Booster Drive - Booster Communications - Buzz / Blast / Emails

Old Business

- An official complaint has been filed with IL Attorney General against Brown Paper Tickets which owes us \$4,540 from the canceled Spring Fling 2020, we rec'd notice 11/28/22 that BPT is legally required to pay out funds before the end of 2023

Comments & Announcements

- Administration
 - Looking forward to the Back to School Bash on August 18th!
 - Classroom assignments are due to the district on August 4th. They should be live in Aspen early next week!

Parent Groups:

- Father's club:
 - **8/8 (Tuesday) - Bingo Night at Templestowe, 7-9pm.** This will be a fun event and a GREAT fundraising opportunity to raise additional \$ for the Bateman Bench project. See attached flyer for details!

- **8/12 (Saturday) - Bateman Bench Event, 10am.** Details to follow, but if you are handy, and willing to pitch in for the bench building day, we would love your help. Date and time to be confirmed once we firm up details. We will also bring the BFC T-shirts (if you ordered one), plan on bringing cash for pick up!

Upcoming Boosters Meetings

THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH @ 6pm in Bateman Auditorium or TBD

- September 6
- October 4
- Nov 1
- Dec 6

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

- FriendsofBateman.org
- FriendsofBateman@gmail.com
- @BatemanBoosters
- [Facebook](#)
- [Instagram](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA POST - Wanna get more involved next year?