

**Bateman Booster Monthly Meeting Agenda & Minutes**  
**Wednesday, March 6, 2023 - 6:00pm - Library at Bateman**  
**Meetings: The first Wednesday of Every Month @ 6pm (location varies)**  
**Upcoming Meetings: 5/1, 6/5**

Attendees: Kjirstin, Kyla, Ms. Kloepper, Gabe, Cassandra, Allison, Vanessa, Meg, Jess H-F, Katie, Jess F., Daniella

**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 3/6/24)**

Current Bank Balance: \$51,072.87

- **Pending Expenses**
  - 2022-2023 Auditorium Audio/Visual Cost Still Due: \$23,437.50
- **Expenses since last meeting:**
  - Big Star: \$2,487.45
  - Event Helper (Insurance): \$133.00
  - Clickbid: \$\$1,195
- **Income since last meeting:**
  - SuperBowl Squares: \$2,500
  - Sonic Sponsorship: \$500
  - Donation: \$285.75
- **Pending Income:**
  - Unpaid Sponsorships:
    - Bartelby's?
    - City Kids Dental
    - Something Sweet
    - Lincoln Sq. Orthodontics
  - Rockwell's Promotion?
  - Lou Malnati's DtD
  - Brown Paper Tickets (follow up sent 4/2/24)

**Meeting top Priorities:**

- NRC Brewfest and Pretzel necklaces
- Teacher Appreciation Week (May 6-10)
- Spring Fling Event and Auction Planning

**NRC Brewfest**

- Pretzel Necklace making at Kj's house on Saturday the 6th (4-6pm - kids welcome)
  - 4310 N. Bernard St
  - Daniela, Allison, Jess,
- Still need 2 volunteers for first shift
  - Sat, April 13th, 12:30-2:30pm (?-?) and 2:30-4:30pm (Mary M & ?)
  - Meeting Tomorrow, 2901 W. Lawrence

**Teacher Appreciation May 6-10**

Chair: Jessica Hess-Follander

Co-Chair: Andia Grice

- Sunday for Monday-Chalk the walk or Signs for the Halls
- Monday–Stocked lounges and chalk the walk/signs for halls
- Tuesday–Letters to the teachers (and Lunch?)
- Wednesday–Sweet Treats and Starbucks Coffee
- Thursday–Father’s Club
- Friday–BAC/PAC Lunch

*Need: Lunch sponsor*

Start Social campaign for donation donations for Teacher/staff Target GC’s the Sunday after Spring Fling (can’t do it during Spring Fling, it will only get lost)

BUT: ask room parents to send out donation requests earlier (julia?)

- Can we use money from the wine pull to start the funding for teacher/staff GC’s?
- Amazon cards vs Target? Can do that online with emails

**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

- Alcohol donation spreadsheet has been started: [Alcohol Donations/Requests for Spring Fling 2024](#)

- **Alcohol Update:**

- [Alcohol Donations/Requests for Spring Fling 2024](#)

- - Confirmed donated alcohol:
    - 10 cases from Goose Island - can they donate a case of NA beer?
    - 14 cases from Spiteful (mix of IPA & Lager)
    - Vodka from Tito’s (12 1-liter bottles)
    - 6 cases of wine from Chicago Winery
    - Pony keg from Greenstar Brewing (he will fill in what we don’t have beer wise)
    - 6 Liters Dos Hombres Mezcal
  - Glassware: will purchase or have donated plasticware from Costco or Restaurant supply
  - Batched drinks or specialty cocktails: decide, come up with recipes for bartenders (see if we need other ingredients)
  - Gabe’s wife works across the street from a liquor owner who might be willing to donate.
  - Rachel Wilson - follow up with her contact

- **Food Update:**

- Just going to pay for Big Star to deliver and set it up-Katie emailed 04/03 for invoice
- Reach out to Pizza Y Pan for late night pizza donations-delivery at 10 PM?-**Meg reached out, will follow up** - Kjirstin gave Meg a number to text since they respond better.

**Photo Booth (KW):**

Provided by Ayala Photo & Media:

- Need to confirm 2024 Andrade Logo - logo on both, all digital
- Song for 360 photo station - You Spin Me Round Round
- Details for Selfie Station -

### **Wine Pull updates-Jess Feldt**

- 30 bottles funded currently
- Looking for 10 more bottles
  - Meg has some more expensive bottle she will donate
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### **Heads and Tails-Kjirstin**

#### **Raffle updates**

Started adding raffle to CB

Father's Club - What are they putting together? Lottery Tree?

Le Village-Staycation package?

### **Father's Club involvement**

#### **Volunteers Needed for Spring Fling:**

- Front desk: 4 first hour, 2-3 second hour - 1-2 last 2 hours
  - Gabe's wife, Angie, can make "Volunteer" buttons
- Help Desk: 1 hour shifts? Kyla volunteered to do it the first 1-2 hours
- Photographer for Step & Repeat (Manny's wife?)

#### **Class Basket updates**

Julia-another reminder to the room parents to make it happen?

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

Auction Chairs: Julia Bryant, Jess Feldt and Kirsten Cobb

- Clickbid-Some items uploaded-don't forget batch upload and GPT description
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- Auction items - Deadline: April 9th
  - Julia updated the big spreadsheet - As you contact a vendor, please update and add them (copy & paste is fine from the previous year if needed).
  - Send a backpack flier in the next 2 weeks for auction items/ad sales
  - Send save the date flier shortly thereafter
  - Plan time to meet (at Cassandra's?) to upload pictures
  - Travel Pledge
- Boosters Auction Email:
  - Good to send emails from
    - Email: [bbspringfling@gmail.com](mailto:bbspringfling@gmail.com)
    - Password: B@temaN4220
- Signup Party Updates-Parent (Meg)
  - Four parties to date
  - Parent Party form:  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNXHpbdbdt71cy7\\_0UuEY\\_W0zpvAoaKF1N6N4o4v6wPso55g/viewform?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNXHpbdbdt71cy7_0UuEY_W0zpvAoaKF1N6N4o4v6wPso55g/viewform?usp=sharing)

- Signup Party updates-Teacher (Allison)
  - Responder Form:
    - [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfUPfHFhKAB1f-G\\_q7\\_k\\_VrFxb5vZKPUX-qK\\_uLyxMjRcdPgwg/viewform?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfUPfHFhKAB1f-G_q7_k_VrFxb5vZKPUX-qK_uLyxMjRcdPgwg/viewform?usp=sharing)
  - Responses:
    - <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1I9GvAKhS4-bnKO57cht87ecQuJR9e5Mv2m73heaBt-M/edit?usp=sharing>
  - Admin meeting with teachers tomorrow 4/4 and expect there to be one experience per grade - they will have teachers sign up
- Auction items from school
  - Ms. Davos confirmed they have plenty of Bateman swag
  - Lunch with Mr. Blaze Ways and Mr. Chilipepper Man
  - Ms. Davos' parking spot
- Backpack flyer going out for auction (with sponsor info)

### **Sponsorships**

Chair: Meg

Co-Chair: Mary

- Street banner sponsorship; look into with 33rd Ward Office
- 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; status of Boosters logo? Launch in 2024-2025.
- Social media/Buzz promotion underway
- Ad sales for Spring Fling - determine start date for solicitation. Send suggestions to Meg and Mary!
- Any Spring Fling donators (e.g. Goose Island, Spiteful, Chicago Winery) to be added to promotional materials as "event sponsor"

### **Fall Play**

- Great meeting with Stages! They will manage the whole production. Parent volunteers are welcome.

### **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

- Lou Malnati's - 2/21/24 - 4-10pm \$157.44
- Chipotle April 8th 4pm - 8pm
- Omarcito's- Asking for 1 week in May
- Big League Burger- TBD

### 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

## 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
- Consider new template on friendsobateman.com

## Social Updates

Chair: Courtney & Dani

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KPr7IIkHd5vyIPVcuV52kuiljOA2VvKFhJvWDb1EIO0/edit>

## Website

Chair: Meagan

## 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:**

- 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:
  - Happy 100th Day
  - We have a full time nurse + a medical assistant (for injuries & medication)
  - Cited as one of the schools for Principals to come in and observe (1 out of 3 for 9 principals to come and observe for the whole day)
- Sponsors:
- BAC/PAC:
  - 4/12/24 - Meeting on Internet Safety - The Kedzie Center will present on the digital dangers children face.
- BFC:
  - 4/11/24 - Meeting 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. 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.

**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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