September 14, 2022, at 6pm **Bear Creek Charter School Parent Teacher Organization Meeting** Stacey Salsavage Brandy Ralston Kim Rebovich Gina William

Called to order, pledge of allegiance

\*Stacey welcome words and PTO introduction

\*Jim Smith Welcomes, provides his introduction, stresses PTO importance as well as sets goals for himself to come to more than one meeting, and askes that parents do the same. He encourages parent involvement and went over student behavior.

\*Kim provided treasury report. Q. why do we not have a business credit card for the points. A. PTO is currently working on an EIN which is putting limitations on what accounts we can have currently.

\*Stacey went over the Gertrude Hawk fundraiser, newsletters will be sent next week, advised forms and payments due by Oct 7th, 2022. Check or money order only, made payable to BCCCS PTO, only to include one check in each envelope. Advised web ordering available for registered users, they can have shipped to home with a fee, or to the school at no fee. Top seller will receive a \$150 gift card, and each top seller in each grade will receive a \$20 gift card. A sign-up genius will be available in October for help with pick up on November 9<sup>th</sup> from 3:15-7pm.

Q. Can we have candy bars next year? A. We are considering it for next year - Jim Smith advised bars are raising to \$2

Q. How about in easter do the candy bars to see the difference? A We do the bakery delight fundraiser at that time. We try not to have too many fundraisers happening at one time.

\*Marissa - home room parent chair head. Advises role of HRP liaison between teacher and the parents of each grade. New business is, 1 home room parent per grade. We are implementing 1 HRP per class for k-2 and 1 HRP per grade 3-8. Only monetary collection this year will be for teacher appreciation. HRP must have clearances on file and are good for 5 years and non-transferable.

Q. If you are the home room parent do you automatically get to come to the parties? A. yes you can, or you can delegate.

\*Gina went over information about the 5k walk, this year we are hoping to do an in person run in the spring, at the school. In hopes of having nicer weather, she will be putting information up on the FB page this year. Gina also announced that she is the ski club advisor and to e-mail her with any questions. Ski club will be at Montage Mountain, they are offering great deals on weekend, weekday, lessons, tubing etc.

Q. How old for the lessons? A. 5 or 6 years old

\*Cassie Mills talked about book fair. We are taking donations for anyone that would like to donate a gently used book. Used books can be dropped off at the office. Book fair is Sep 26th-30<sup>th</sup>, we will offer an e-wallet option and the sign-up genius will be up soon. All volunteers must have their clearances on file.

\*Stacey went over the box tops; Amy could not make it to the meeting. We participate in the program, if you are not signed up and want to join go to www.boxtops4education.com. They

now have it set up to where you can take a photo of your receipt and then upload it- must scan within 14 days. Fall cutoff is November 1<sup>st</sup>. Flyer will be sent home with the students.

\*Jim clarified we will accept volunteer clearances if they are 57 months old or less.

\*Stacey went over new business, last year we started the script gift card program, we have decided we will be canceling the program because of noninterest. Also expressed 3-4 co-chairs are needed for the Spring Festival.

Q. is there any chance of a drama club or something of that nature? A Covid put a kaput to that, she is talking to Mrs. Stevens regarding something similar like a talent show. Not oppose to bringing it back. Jim smith does not oppose to renting space to facilitate.

Q. What about the school concerts A. we cannot until construction is complete.

\* Jim Smith went over family events, like bingo and all pro dads' breakfast on 9/28. Follow BCCCS FB and subscribe to the email for notifications of activities. Also went over fall festival and encouraged all to attend and invite friends and family as it is a community event. Advised construction is on schedule. Should be complete by Labor Day 2023, with a ribbon cutting in August. Stated they plan to have an indoor recess area with air hocky tables etc. Stressed attendance and went over educational field trips. Advised you can report your volunteer hours through power school soon. Younger students will be doing a prepared drill, evacuating drill, there will be no unsubscribing your child for this training, and parents will know of all of this in advance. The school has also implemented a new bullying program and the school is trying to get a grant to hire a social worker. Jim will be developing a job description to help children with any issues.

Q has the school received any trauma training? A yes, that is part of the ongoing professional regiment.

\*Kim Stevens talked about fun things happening. 9/28 Bingo night happening at the pavilion 6:00-7:30. Sep 26-30th book fair, sign up genius will be coming around soon. Oct 5th and 6th school picture day. Oct 7th sports day - noon dismissal. Sat Oct 8th fall festival 12-7pm. Volunteers are needed for fall festival, grab and go lunches, k-2 lunch helpers, and at home opportunities available. All hours will be used to chaperone school trips, went over how volunteer hours work. October 10th no school, Columbus Day, and indigenous day. Oct 12 blue shirt day, anti bullying program and next PTO meeting. Yearbook committee is looking for two co-chairs. We need two people to volunteer to take pictures

Q does the school provide the camera? Are we editing them? A. No camera provided; some editing will be needed.

Q. Will PTO be purchasing the 8th grade year books? A. Yes

Q. School dance are we taking volunteers. A. Yes as it gets closer, we will be putting out a signup genius.

Q. Snack bar for soccer games? Who do I talk to about bring that back? A Jim suggests talking to the soccer parents to create a booster club.

\*Stacey Yearbooks are in and should be out this week.

Teacher drawing, Raffles, and 50/50 drawing were selected and next PTO Meeting announced for October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

Meeting closed.