

Meeting Minutes – Broadway PTO meeting 1/12/2016, 4:00pm

Principal Items: Congratulations to Broadway Elementary for being one of five district 51 schools recognized by the D51 Foundation as a school of distinction for growth. The D51 Foundation will announce the five schools at their annual White Iced Fundraiser on February 6th. The D51 Foundation also gave each PBL demonstration school a cart of Chromebooks. Thank you, D51 Foundation!

Cookies, Cocoa, Caroling & Chili Review: We have received a lot of positive comments about this year's event. A big thank you to Sarah Leary for the great decorations! Also, thank you to everyone who donated Chili and/or cookies, we had about 13 crock pots of chili and a variety of yummy cookies. Our music teacher, Mr. Brenholtz, felt like the caroling was better this year with the piano - thank you Amy Markakis!

Broadway Secret Shop Review: This year's Secret Shop was not as big a financial success as hoped for. The Shop was busy for the family shopping times after early release on Wednesday and during Cookies & Cocoa on Thursday but the number of student shoppers during school hours was down quite a bit this year. This was PTO's first attempt at doing the Shop ourselves and we have quite a bit of merchandise left for next year. Thank you to everyone who volunteered in the Secret Shop this year!

Popcorn Friday's: 3rd grade will host the next popcorn/cotton candy on Friday, January 13th. The 2nd Grade popcorn/cotton candy date was set for Friday, February 10th.

T-shirts Drawing for FREE Popcorn or Cotton Candy: The teachers will get 3 popcorn/cotton candy certificates per classroom to award to the winners of their T-shirt drawing. The idea of the Broadway T-shirt drawing is that the teachers will gather names every Friday of the students who are wearing their Broadway T-shirt or Broadway Blue. Teachers will then hold their drawing before the next popcorn/cotton candy Friday and reward the certificates to the drawing winners. It will be the teacher's discretion on how many certificates to award.

Year Book: Mya Archuleta from Ms. Hauser's 4th Grade class is the yearbook cover contest winner. Congratulations! Her artwork will be displayed on the cover of the 2016-17 Broadway yearbook. Later on in the school year, PTO will host an evening in the computer lab to help people with their customizable yearbook pages.

Bear Walk: This year's Bear Walk will be held on March 16th. The event will be different this year - instead of walking the Broadway field the students will be walking through Redlands Village Subdivision behind the school. Mr. Bingham will map the route and we'll probably do two walks - walking the younger kids first then the older kids. PTO is still in the planning phase of how the fundraising for this event will take place. One idea is to ask the residents who live on our walking route for donations and in return they will receive an "I support Broadway Elementary" yard sign or window sticker to display when we walk. Another idea is to have the students do the traditional fundraising and they'll receive level prizes for the money they raise, i.e. Broadway bracelet - \$10, Broadway water bottle - \$25. More information to follow.

Original Art Works: PTO is partnering with Original Art Works later on this year to offer parents, grandparents, etc. the opportunity to put their kid's artwork on cards, mugs, t-shirts, etc. We will be sending information out regarding what kind of artwork is submittable and deadlines for submissions. Our goal is to have artwork submitted in time for it to be given as Mother's Day gifts.

Community Partnership Committee: The teacher's Community Partnership Committee is thinking of holding a dance on February 15th.

Next PTO meeting will be February 9th at 4:00pm.