**BOSTON HARBOR PTA**

**General Membership Meeting**

**January 11, 2017**

1.Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at the Boston Harbor School at 6:06 pm by PTA co-President, Emily Waugh, who provided a brief welcome and introductions. A quorum was present. Officers present: Becky Goad, Emily Waugh, Betty Erdahl, Heidi Olmstead, Helen Shapely, Tracie O’Brien, and Nicole Lockwood. Refer to sign—in sheet for meeting attendance.

2. Secretary’s Report –secretary, Heidi Olmstead provided a secretary report. The November minutes were presented on the bulletin board for consideration. No corrections noted.

3. Presidents’ Report– Emily Waugh reported on the annual internal audit. Giving Tree was a great success, hope to continue next year. Think Big- the suggestions were collected on a word document and distributed through Harbor Highlights for review by the community. Anyone who is interested in being on the Think Big committee is welcome to attend a meeting at the school library on January 19 at 5:30 (contact Emily Waugh for more information). Art for Kids School overview was provided and flyers to be distributed through Harbor Highlights. BHS Rainiers Game will be May 7; Rhubarb might be visiting the school to do promotion. No discussion needed.

4. Treasurer’s Report- Report presented by Betty Erdahl. She provided updates on the budget year to date and October only. Nothing unusual to report this month. The PTA paid out on Mrs. Post’s grant request. Deposits were recently made for the Value Village and Panda Express fundraisers. We collected a little more in membership dues. No discussion needed.

5. Fundraising Report – Nicole Lockwood provided a summary of past and future fundraising efforts. Panda Express December 10th was underwhelming. Spring Auction committees started in November, the event is tentatively for March 18 – we are looking for items for both the silent and live auctions, contact Nicole Lockwood for more information.

6. Principal’s Report– Mrs. Brotherton – February 11 kindergarten event at Capital High School from 10-11:30. Tech Fair competition will also be on that day. May 2 is the kindergarten orientation. New Counselor Mr. James Heejeman was introduced at morning mingle today; we are so happy to have him here to support our school.

7. Committee Reports–

7.1 Angela Harmeier gave a report on the Holiday Gift Bazaar which raised $162, it was a huge success – the kids had a wonderful time and all the gifts were well received; we have so much to be grateful for.

7.2 Emily Waugh and Tracie O’Brien spoke about the 3/4/5 Play – three different services were investigated; one local company – Steven Wells with the Pacific NW Theater Company stood out from the rest.

7.3 Eric Olmstead did a report on the Garden Club; the waste audit with Thurston County was a success. Several donations for seeds (for planting) and sawdust (for composter) were made. Students continue

7.4 No Teacher Appreciation Report was provided.

7.5 Angela Harmeier gave a report and reminder about the yearbook and need for yearbook pictures soon.

8. Unfinished Business – there was no unfinished business to discuss.

9.0 New Business

9.1 Nominating Committee – the nominating committee is gearing up to fill several spots on the PTA board for the 2017-2018 academic year. The open positions are:

9.2 Think Big Committee

9.3 Spanish - Betty Erdahl gave information on bringing FLY (Foreign Language for Youth) we need let them know by early February if we plan to do it next year. Their program costs about $400 for the year (40 – 40-minute classes). Betty provided literature from FLY and there was a good discussion around this topic; several parents of prospective kindergarteners indicated that they would also be interested. More info to come home in Harbor Highlights soon.

9.4 School supply kits – no report was provided on school supply kits.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.