

Bear Network
Meeting notes
8/20/18

Seventeen were in attendance for the first Bear Network meeting!

BN meeting opened with attendee introductions and discussion on BN mission, registration and dues. BN information can be accessed at <http://smabears.org/bear-network/>

BN introduced Academy Liaison Amy Bawcom. SMA is VERY BLESSED to have Amy as our new Associate Vice President for Development and Bear Network Administration Sponsor. Thank you to Rhonda McNeil for her years of support and service to both the Booster Club and Bear Network.

Current Bear Network account balance is \$1,998.94. Future meetings will not have financials printed out for attendees.

The first event will be Tailgate on 8/30 at 6 pm at the playground. BN discussed an invitation be issued to the boarding students.

Several upcoming fund raisers on campus are paid football parking spots for proposed banners, junior class Chick-fil-a spirit night on 8/27 toward prom, Scholastic book fair for LS library and flavored prepackaged popcorn sales to benefit the girl's dormitory.

New fundraiser for Bear Network will be KONA ICE. 25% is earned on each purchase.

Future potential fundraisers are Grandparents day pictures, school-wide walk-a-thon, final exam care packages, and school supply pre-packaging for the lower and middle schools.

There was discussion to get the Adopt-a-Boarder program running for this school year. Amy will look into this with the Dorm Directors. Teresa Cianciotto will continue to provide birthday cards and cookies to both dormitories.

Amy Yarborough will attend the September meeting to discuss BN participation with Giving Hope. The Giving Hope event (12/9/2018 4:30-8:00) provides a meal, groceries and gifts to San Marcos families in need. Other proposed service projects to be considered are Operation Christmas Child, Fall Festival and Operation Turkey. NHS students should be able to accrue service hours for all considered.

Amy Bawcom will act as our Treasurer. Wendy and I will continue to head BN until officers are discussed???

Next meeting will be Monday, September 10 in the Carroll Activity room.