

FBMS PTO General Meeting  
November 10, 2016  
FBMS Library  
8:30 am

**Attendance:** See Attached

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Teresa Montgomery, President, called the meeting to order at 8:30 am and announced a quorum.  
Reminds everyone to sign-in on both attendance sheets – PTO and Coffee with the Principal.

Secretary Report – Laura Carter

Asked if any changes or edits required to the minutes from the September 20, 2016 meeting, both posted online and printed at meeting.

No changes or edits requested, minutes accepted as written

President Report – Teresa Montgomery

Thanks all who helped by volunteering during homecoming week as well as the Foam and Frisbee fundraiser.  
Shared that there is a “Be An Angel” opportunity posted on the website this week. In the past HISD has “adopted” special needs kids for gifts but this year only elementary students will be adopted. Opportunity to help with the middle school students.

Next general meeting will be January 26.

February 3 is the date of the auction – will be Cirque de Soleil type theme.

Principal Report – Principal Paolo Castagnoli

Will speak during Coffee with Principal

Treasurer Report – Amber Caver

Presented **FBMS Budget 2016-2017 and Financial Activity Report from 09/20/16-11/9/16:** attached

\$33,673 is current balance.

Disbursed \$8000 to school for field trips.

Foam and Frisbee fundraiser shows a loss currently because still waiting on check from vendor. Expect about \$11,000 in profit.

Amber shares that she has received request from 8<sup>th</sup> grade dean Mr. Mclish to increase dean grant by \$200 and from Tim Weltin to allocate \$650 for three additional umbrellas for outdoor tables.

Amber Caver motions to increase 8<sup>th</sup> grade deans budget allocation by \$200 and to allocate \$650 for the purchase of three umbrellas for outdoor tables.

Amy Maddux seconds.

All in favor.

Motion passes.

Amber shares the grant committee reviewing grant requests.

Teresa Montgomery asks board members if they hear of a teacher mentioning a need, remind them they can still apply for grants.

Amber confirms there is still \$3300 left in grant budget.

Membership accepts Treasurer’s report as presented.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Report – Sindee Bielowicz (Leslie Winesett reporting)

Leslie shares that the Teacher Appreciation committee will be sending out a sign-up genius for donations for teachers.

Kristy Javier shares that she is working with the fine arts teachers. Thanks for the grant to help the choir.

Leslie shares that Cara Ramelow and Selena Crochet put together a book sale at ELA night to sell required reading books. Made over \$370 in profit for the library.

Monday November 11 the pies ordered from Pie in the Sky will be distributed after school.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Report – Carrie Botello (Teresa Montgomery reporting)

Shares that the FBMS auction is being held February 3.

Auction committee member Jen Sudduth reports that the theme of the auction this year is “Under the Big Top”.

She has donor and sponsor forms on hand if anyone would like one.

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Report – Dianne Holliman (Teresa Montgomery reporting)

PTO memberships are still available at the basic level. Dinner for the Platinum members being held next week.

Katie Pro, T-shirts chair, shares that they are trying to deliver membership swag that has not been picked up at the school store during lunch.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Representative Report – Jill Davis

There will be a check-writing campaign coming up soon. Grade is hoping to raise \$10,000 for field trips.

A member asked how much money was made from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade t-shirt sale?

Jill reported that she is unaware of that amount yet.

Money raised will be used towards Dave and Buster’s field trip at the end of the year. Any leftover money will follow the class.

A member asked Principal Castagnoli about the benefits of such a field trip. He replied that the end of the year trips are culture building. Other field trips are often to get kids excited about college, like trips to UH and A&M.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Representative Report – Karen Smiley

Working on trying to come up with fundraising ideas for 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

Seeking chaperones for 7<sup>th</sup> grade field trip on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Representative – Meredith Sipes (Teresa Montgomery reporting)

8<sup>th</sup> grade is trying to raise money for end of year activities. Their biggest plan right now is the BBQ sale.

New Business

No new business

Meeting is adjourned at 8:52 am.

Minutes submitted by Laura Carter