

Bonny Slope Community Organization  
Meeting Minutes  
August 19, 2008

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Meeting Started: 6:35 p.m.

Board Member Attendees:

Candy Thompson  
Karla Bright  
Kara Anderson  
Mary Minor  
Sherry Cadsawan  
Danette Scales  
Scott Wipple  
Gloria Zabel

Attendees:

Kim Haskins  
Melissa Hathaway  
Sheri Fisher  
Jennifer Hillman  
Milton Kokubun  
Cynthia Thompson  
Noga Collins  
Pam Grater  
Karen Porter  
Jennifer Raber  
Dawne Eddens  
Jen Epstein  
Chris Skubic  
Julia Fulmer  
Julie Bowles  
Tanya Webb  
Carol Loescher  
Kitty Deshmukh  
Michelle McHugh  
Elaine Underwood  
Jill Bukres

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### BSCO Agenda:

6:30pm – Welcome to BSCO  
6:40pm – Board Introduction  
6:50pm – Principal's Comments  
7:00pm – Committee Introductions  
7:20pm – Budget Approval  
7:30pm – Old Business/New Business  
7:45pm – Water Cooler  
8:00pm – Adjournment

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**NOTE: Future BSCO Meetings will run from 7:00 to 8:30.**

**New web site address: [www.bonnyslopebsco.org](http://www.bonnyslopebsco.org)**

### **Minutes of the Meeting are as follows:**

#### **Principal Comments:**

Speaker: Kim Haskins

Kim's staff had a retreat in June. Teachers are already at BS working to put their classrooms together. BS Teachers are continuing PYP training on topics such as: learner profile and inquiry based learning.

Parents are needed to Mon, Tues, Wed, of next week to help complete the school setup. Kids are welcome if they stay with the parent.

Wednesday, Aug 27th 2 - 4 p.m.: The surrounding community is encouraged to visit the school. 5th grade ambassadors will be conducting guided tours. This is intended for community members who do not have children in the school.

#### **Grand Opening is next week:**

Come anytime between 5:30 and 7:30. Follow the passport provided to keep things moving. The teachers will answer parent questions, take email information, sign up to volunteer etc. Students can drop off supplies. Visit the cafeteria and bring money to deposit into accounts and the gym to see the new Patch Fitness Indoor Obstacle Course donated by Ego Research (?), stop by the music room. Local media will be at the event.

Introduced Bill Hagerup – one of 3 Bonny Slope LSC representatives. LSC addresses building concerns and acts as a liaison for the school community to the school district.

#### **Committee Introductions:**

##### **Art Lit:**

Tanya Webb - speaker (and Sheri Fisher)

The Art Lit group is stocking up supplies in the art room. A bulletin board will display all of art lessons for the year. They are almost done with their web site which will contain a calendar of events, an art gallery, plus much more. Volunteers are needed to present lessons in their children's classroom, as well as to work behind the scenes. There are PLENTY of volunteer opportunities left -- Please contact Tanya or Sheri.

### **Communications:**

Team Leads: Cynthia Thompson - speaker

The printed logo is complete.

The communications team is working on school Directory and will try to have it out in September. Hoping to have an electronic copy as well as hard copies.

There will be a yearbook, about 80 pages. Yearbooks are projected to cost \$4 each and could be sold as a fundraiser.

Photographs will be needed of kids/events throughout the year.

### **Web site:**

Speaker: Melissa Hathaway

There will be a School and BS Community Organization web site. The committees will each have their own page. i.e.: art lit, community service etc. will be housed here. The DEADLINE is FRIDAY for team leads to talk to Melissa about their page.

### **Education Support:**

Speaker: Michelle

1. We will be sponsoring grants for teachers in fall and spring.
2. There will be after school programs offered for students. They will be a mix of parent facilitated and student pay programs. A catalog of available programs will be produced 3 times a year the registration form will be included. There will 1 registration date and 1 start date for the programs per trimester. This group NEEDS Volunteers: email Michelle!

### **Co-Chair for 5th Grade Activities:**

Speaker: Jennifer Helman

They currently have many ideas that they are pursuing and working with teachers. Feel free to share your ideas.

### **Fundraising:**

Speakers: Jen Epstien / Chris

1. The Write-a-Check Campaign is our main fundraiser. There will be a table for contributions at the open house. This has earned over \$20,000 so far. There will be pay pal on BSCO web site. You can send the link to family members so that they can make a contribution.

2. Script - Gift cards - sells at face value but still makes a profit - we will take orders in September and will stock inventory starting in October.

This committee NEEDS Volunteers to sell inventory on at the end of the school day Mondays and Thursdays.

3. Box Tops: we will have incentives i.e.: bowling passes for classes and will have a class competition.

4. Retailer incentive programs are great and easy fundraisers. Some examples stores are: Target, Safeway, Albertsons, Office Depot. You can link up credit cards to Bonny Slope.

5. Other fundraisers: Restaurant nights, recycle old consumer electronics program, Jog-a-thon. (will NEED volunteers)

The web site will be up soon!!

**Sustainability:**

Speaker Julia

1. The Goal of this committee is to instill sustainability in kids daily lives.
2. Looking for a co-leader to help with a Walk/Bike to school day, Oct. 8, as part of the National Safer Routes to School day.
3. Looking into getting Metro to present an assembly.
4. Teachers will promote “green classroom”
5. Will have activities to emphasize Earth Day.

**Family Events:**

Speaker: Jennifer Raber

Many events will happen: ie: Harvest Festival, Family Picnic, Family Movie night, Carnival. All events will be on the web site.

NEEDS Co-leaders and volunteers!

**Community Outreach:**

Speaker: Dawn Evans

This committee will run the Sparrow Club (sponsoring a child throughout year). Other opportunities are: Child warm-up, Clothes Closet, Opera Ambassador Club or Sister School. Let her know if you have a recommendation of where to make other donations.

This committee NEEDS Volunteers

**Science Fair:**

Speaker: Carol Loescher

The science fair is scheduled for Feb 27. We will have a fundraiser dinner.

NEED Volunteers!

**Budget Approval:**

Speaker: Scott Whipple

1. As of July \$20,000 was deposited, \$5700 seed money from Cedar Mill, Findley, and Terra Linda PTC's.
2. The Board will meet 1st Tues every month, BSCO every 3rd Tues. Plan ahead and try to hit these dates for check requests. Our goal is to write checks every two weeks. Danette has forms and they will also be on BSCO website.
3. Note that there are a lot of startup costs on Family Events - we expect in future more cost neutral/revenue generating.
4. Our fiscal year is July 1 - June 30. Our current funds are in a money market account; \$24,050.95. As of July 31, there was \$771.25 in the checking account..
5. Our start-up funds for next year will be \$8000.
6. Misc Expenses line is large to cover what has been forgotten throughout the year.
7. Looking for a CPA to donate time to file tax returns

**VOTE:**

**The Move to approve Budget was passed unanimously.**

**Old Business/New Business:**

- None

**Water Cooler:**

- When can kids play outside? - Now
- Will have strict playground rules - no on climbing the wall - in or out of school
- Amphitheater for sitting/talking not for running/skateboarding/etc
- Minutes will be posted on the website at least one week prior to the next board meeting
- Newsletter will have help wanted area to recruit volunteers
- There will be 2 volunteer training sessions on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, a.m. and p.m. Volunteer hours will be tracked with Help Counter. It was requested a list of volunteer needs appear around the volunteer computer.
- Trail between B.S. and NW South Drive open? – Not officially, but it is being worked on and is being used.
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- Bonny Slope/Cedar Park/Sunset are piloting a program for background checks. The checks are for offenses that are harmful for children and it is a onetime check.

**Adjourned 7:58pm**