

**Bower Hill Elementary PTA
Regular Meeting May 3, 2016
Final Minutes**



1. Call to Order	The President, Karen Lingis , called the meeting to order at . There were people in attendance.
2. President's Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karen Lingis welcomed everyone. Thank you for all of your support, all of the rescheduling, etc.. you have really helped us to remain focused on the kids.
3. Reading and App. Min.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes from April 2016 are approved as written.
4. Treasurer's Report	<p>Treasurer, Denise Kimberling presented the Treasurer's report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kristi Piatek moved to pay bills; seconded by Julie Collins . • Kristi Piatek made a motion to adjust the budget to put an additional 1500 to Advancement for Education from Read . seconded by Julie Collins. • Auditing Committee: Kristi Piatek, Deanna Gallagher, Becky Lipinski
5. Teacher Remarks	<p>Mr. Killen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dates: 1st grade- musical thursday 26; 3rd grade Friday June 10 music performance. Poetry Party Tonight at the Public Library @ 6:30PM. Kids of Steel- Thank you to parents for participating- well over 100 from BH. • Kindergarten- thank you for help with K Tea- big success! Couldn't do it without you. Farm Day is this friday May 5, 2016. • Ducky- May 12, hobbs, killen, hanna, May 18 - hanig-jones, wilkomm, panza, may 20- Lawrence, Redshaw • PIE celebration- thank you • Mr. Killne- thank you so much for everything- and thank you for Teacher Appreciation.
6. Guest Speaker(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deanna Gallagher- Project Max: It started just this year. It is completely optional but the district chose to participate. Presuming confidence, and raising expectations for all students. Increase capacity of PA schools to provide maximum access to all needs for all students. Monthly professional development meetings. prepared by PA Training and Tech assistance network. Team of district admins and staff (only at early elementary buildings). Self assessment to determine strengths and needs over a variety of topics. Staff come back and present and share what was learned at the meetings. • Overtime it will be rolled out to more. 3 year commitment. The program is totally optional and the district chose to participate in it. PT moving towards much better inclusion. IEP looks at general ed setting so that they can determine what would be needed for full inclusion before considering a more restrictive environment. Long term 'hopes' are that educators will know and effectively teach PA core standards, meet needs of diverse learners, policies practices and procedure will include students with complex needs. • Parent Group- anyone can join- meant for students with parents with complex needs.
7. Area Council Report	<p>Julie Collins:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. french update on Rolling Hills- district and twp. are moving fwd. school would use left (building easier on this side), and twp would use right (9 holes). Piloting new language arts curriculum with select classrooms next year. Mock car crash at high school— 9:30AM May 27th. June 5th PT Day at the Wild Things. Next meeting is May 19th- building admins.

8. Report of First Vice President	<p>Kirsten McGrath gave a brief report on the following committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yearbook: 92% done. • Char. Counts- Karen and Her husband were awarded a spring award. • Art Volunteer: art show was a huge success! 540 confirmed for Beestro, at least another 100-150 for just the art show. Rhonda put in a ton of time. • Library: Schedule is out- volunteers haven't been showing. Last couple weeks of school we need extra volunteers. • Bower Hill Day- June 17th- prep has been done- look for blast to sign up in another week or two. Sign ups are similar to last year.
9. Report of Second Vice President	<p>Stephanie Tracy gave a report on the following committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflections: June 13th assemblies- AM K, 2nd grade in AM, PM K, 1st and 3rd in PM. • Box Top Drawings: May 6th • Labels for Education: • Cookbooks- order forms sent home next week • Homework Helpers- begins today- may still sign up if you are still interested. • Junior Achievement: June 3rd- still time to sign up if you'd like to volunteer- all materials supplied by JA. Attend one training. Only need coverage for four classrooms. • Beestro: Huge success- thank you to everyone- including Gina Ciminell and Christine Chapas — thank you for all of your time and effort! • Book Fair: BOGO through end of the week. Going really well.
10. Report of Third Vice President	<p>Laura Rohrbach gave a brief report on the committees she oversees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gardening: Joy has been working with Cristi parks— May 10th at 2pm in the PTA room for brainstorming the summer. watch for blast about volunteering to help over the summer. • Kindergarten Coordination: • Teacher Appreciation: Collecting supplies through Friday.
11. Principal's Remarks	<p>Mr. Garvey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this year. Beestro night was very successful- lots of work from the PTA and the teachers, and also the school staff. • Dates- Accelerated math permission slips are coming home today- they are coming home a day later; had to change dates. 3rd grade may 17, may 18 first grade, may 16 for 2nd grade, may 19 for kindergarten; make ups will happen. MAP assessments and dibble assessments will be May 23 - June 10. June 2 officer phil will be here with DARE to do their program. • ALICE evacuation drill will be sometime in spring. Tomorrow HERO lesson will be a lesson on what is an evacuation; • 3rd grade chicks are coming today. • ELA intro is being piloted already this year.
13. Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STANDING Rules: Kristi Piatek Moves to approve the Rules as distributed. Joy seconded that.
13. New Business	

Submitted by: _____
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Date approved: _____