

Bonaire Primary School
School Council Meeting
February 9, 2021

1. E-SPLOST Discussion

*Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax

*1% sales tax on the dollar to fund capital projects or retire debt for Houston County Schools

*Current E-SPLOST ends March 31st, 2022

*2022-2027 referendum asks to continue the E-SPLOST for five years or if a cap of 190 million dollars is reached-whichever comes first

*Continuation of E-SPLOST will provide funds for:

- improving safety and security
- facilities improvement
- technology
- transportation

*The special election vote will be held March 16th, with early voting being offered February 22nd-March 12th

*The E-SPLOST has been continually renewed since approximately 2002

*For more information visit www.hcbe.net, click on the community tab and then E-SPLOST

2. Upcoming School Projects

*Four flower pots in the front of school need to get planted

- 2-3 people could help
- Project completion can happen during the school day

*Shed-BPS has a shed in the back for equipment storage that needs painting

- Approximately 6 people needed to assist
- Must be done on a weekend to allow time for paint to dry since the shed is located in proximity to the playground

*Trash pick-up

- Due to students eating snacks outside, there is a lot of trash that ends up near the fence line from the wind
- One suggestion was to contact groups needing community service projects to assist with cleanup

- One idea was to create a work day, possibly Saturday, March 20th to accomplish all of the school projects. The event could include selling of BPS shirts and magnets, having food trucks on site, etc.
- Another idea was to create multiple weekend trash clean up days throughout the school year

3. Staff and Administrative Communication and Collaboration

- *BPS uses One Note to electronically house policies, school calendars, and team collaboration notes
- *This makes important information always accessible to staff
- *Staff also receive emails with the same information

4. Read-A-Thon

- *Spring fundraiser to help BPS acquire leveled readers to supplement the Fountas and Pinnell Reading Curriculum (BPS needs 3rd grade leveled readers and LLI kits) and also to finish the school sign at the entrance of Thompson Mill Road
- Bids for the sign are being finalized soon

5. Valentines

- *Students should turn in Valentines on February 10th so they can sit until February 12th and be passed out to students. There is no school February 15th and 16th in honor of President's Day and a student holiday respectively

6. Parent Communication

- *BPS uses the following means for communication:
 - Class DOJO
 - School Messenger (automated phone calls)
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - Instagram (IG)
- *If there is another method of communication anyone feels is effective, please let Dr. Mayfield know
- *Dr. Mayfield also asked feedback from the council about the frequency and effectiveness of current methods of communication

School Council Action Items:

- *Finalize details for the Spring workday
- *Continue brainstorming additional school projects and project supply needs
- *Create a volunteer survey for people interested in helping with the various school projects