



**Baucom Elementary PTA
General Meeting–Remote via Zoom
March 10, 2026 at 6:00 pm**

Call to Order: PTA meeting called to order at 6:01PM by Mark, seconded by Carolyn

Approval of Previous Minutes: <http://www.baucompta.org/pta-meeting-minutes.html>

Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mark Fussell and seconded by Carolyn

Attendance: 21 members including Christine Ainsworth, Megan Alexander, Nicole Espersen, Erin Mirc, Mark Fussell, Chelsea Francis, Carolyn Resheke, Crystal O'Mara, Quionna Hobbs, Chris Culp, Stephanie Whaley, Joanna Watson, Kristi Haddock, Ariana Toro, Mauvet Rawls, Jennifer DeVarnne, Christine Bowman, EMM, and others

Welcome by Mark Fussell, President

Administrator Updates: This month's updates shared by Mr. Culp

- Baucom is getting started on figuring out their allotments for the next school year–forms went home to help us plan for our numbers for next year.
- Apex Middle School –students visited to share what to expect in middle school socially and how to be a good friend to others in middle school.
- Middle of the year school data–staff is doing an examination of how the standards are being taught to students grade by grade.

President's Report

- **Successes**
 - Mark shared pictures of items PTA provided in appreciation for Bus Loop & Carpool Staff and our School Resource Officer.
 - Baucom hosted Principals from around the county; PTA provided breakfast
 - Sunshades vendor and seating options have been chosen. Next step is WCPSS approval of the facilities modification, then items can be ordered and installation scheduled.
- **Looking Ahead**–Mark shared that PTA is hosting the following in the coming months:
 - 3/16-3/19 Comic Book Residency (4th Grade)
 - 3/23-3/26 Book Fair, with Family Shopping Night and the Science Expo on Thursday, 3/26
 - Spring Family Fun Night - April 17th, 6pm-8pm
 - Hosted in the “back yard” of the school for families to come and socialize. PTA provides one free Kona Ice per student (others will need to purchase). We have inflatables and face painters, and hopefully will have good weather and a great time.
 - The annual Feed the Kids Food Drive will be held from April 13th - 17th
 - This is not a PTA initiative, but we are supporting and sharing the information!
 - Watch for paper grocery bags to be sent home–fill and return the food to a UHaul parked in front of Baucom.

Treasurer's Report: Mark

- **Funding**
 - Finished funding Ms. O'Mara's most recent book order

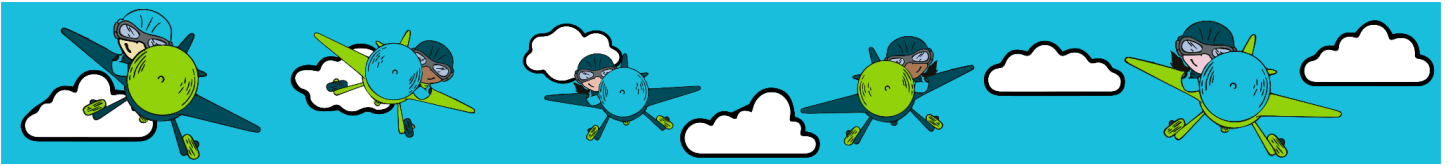


Committee Reports:

- **Science Expo** - Mauvet Rawls
 - She shared that we need lots of volunteers to evaluate -we have 15 and she would like to see more like 40 volunteer evaluators.
 - [Evaluators](#) Link
 - Chelsea added that you do not need a rigorous science background to be a good evaluator—just a readiness to hold a curious conversation with students about their project, to ask one or two questions about what they learned, and to provide supportive written feedback about their projects.
 - [Expo Week](#)
 - March 26 is Expo Day! Doors open at 6, the event runs until 7:30
 - **[Everyone is welcome \(and encouraged\) to attend](#)**, not just project participants!
- **Book Fair**— Nicole Esperson
 - Nicole shared that this year’s book club is “STEAM” Themed (Science, Tech, Engineering, Arts, and Math) and has tons of kits and books that fit the theme.
 - Please take a look at the flyer and the website (she shared a link to the chat—pictured at the end of the minutes). On the site, it lists everything that will be for sale that week.
 - [Volunteer Here](#) to help out during the week, or to help on the night of the Expo. The set up date is still TBD, because we don’t have a confirmed delivery date—organizers will reach out for help once we have confirmed dates.
 - Scholastic has a program called “Share the Fair” and is the opportunity to sponsor students who do not have extra funds to shop at the book fair—**this will replace Baucom Bucks**.
 - Once again, we will be rounding the book fair purchases up to the nearest dollar, and using those funds to pay for the “Share the Fair” as well.

Volunteer Needs:

- **Current Needs:**
 - MARCH:
 - Science Expo—[3/26—Expo Evaluators needed!](#)
 - [Book Fair—3/20-3/27](#)
 - APRIL:
 - Spring Family Night-4/17
 - MAY:
 - Watch for sign ups for field day (5/8) —we need folks to help run stations!
 - Information coming soon about teacher appreciation week (5/4-5/8)
- **Looking ahead:**
 - **Cultural Arts Assembly Representative**—Details shared again from 2/26 meeting
 - **Fun Run Committee Members**—Join an established committee and help to maximize PTA’s impact at Baucom by facilitating our annual fundraiser!
 - **Hospitality Committee Members**—This year’s team and is looking for another 1-2 members for the 2026/2027 school year.



- **Communications Chair:** PTA is looking for someone to send out newsletters, keep the website fresh, and help keep families informed.

Open Floor for Questions & Comments

- Mark notes that we changed our in person May PTA meeting to 6:30 instead of 6:15–this allows our families to finish the Kindergarten Orientation before starting the next meeting. This meeting is critical to have good attendance as it is when we vote on the 2026/2027 budget and officers.

Meeting Adjourned: Mark called to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM

Chat Screenshots:

Nicole Espersen 06:19 PM

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This is the website link if anyone would like to preview
<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/baucomelementaryschool>

These minutes submitted by Chelsea Francis, PTA Secretary