DMS Parents Club

Monthly Meeting

14 SEPTEMBER 2021 / 5:00 PM

ATTENDEES

Antonio, Jenny W. Jenny J., Sara, Andrea Brian, Crystal, Sonny, Roxanne, Stacie Knepp

Called to order at 5pm

Motion to approve last month's minutes: Jenny J.. Motion seconded: Jenny W. Minutes approved.

AGENDA

Last Meeting Follow-up

New Business

- Principal's Report
 - Washington DC Trip scheduled for June. Trip is full, 20 on waiting list. If it grows to 45-50, may open another bus.
 - o A number of aide positions unfulfilled, have them reach out to Antonio.
 - Student Council joined IAJHSC state based council. There are some requirements to be a member school. We had over 100 students at first student council meeting. We will have an exec board-Pres, VP, Sec, Treasurer, plus committees. Asked for them to be involved with concession stands-will join with parents. Want to make sure they're succeeding. Good way for them to get service points, service credit. They might come back and ask for money for a dance-great way for them to learn they to have to work for things.
 - Cross country-big event-like state meet before the state met. Food trucks, families helping out with it.
 - October 1- Picture Day
 - October 11 Columbus Day, no school
 - Hoting state speech competition, October 29. Might need to bulk up stock in concession stand that day. Won't have as many school participating.
 - Will be regional host for boys basketball
 - Next meeting dates-will get the website updated.
 - In the past, had Sheila Arnold (storyteller). Corresponds with back history month. Students enjoy it. Split cost with DVMS. Total cost: \$1300 for 2 buildings. Will request \$650 from Parents Club. Don't have to vote on it now
 - Split it out by grade, go up to the HS by grade.
- Book Fair
 - Scheduled in October during parent conferences. Will be staffed the whole time as the conferences.
 - Will have stuff that goes to Antonio for the newsletter
 - o Do we want to give any prizes?
 - Could do Little Caesars pizza for winning class
 - Only cost incurred should be only prizes for incentives/coin wars

- PTO can give start up cash for cash register
- SEE IF WE CAN GET SOMEONE TO TAKE THIS ON FOR NEXT YEAR
- Will need some people who can man the fair. Maybe even some student council students. Restocking, cleaning the shelves.
- Need volunteers to work it-can send out signup genius for adult volunteers
- What to fund this year?
 - No set goal at this point
 - Shade for Panther Patio, more outdoor seating
 - Triangular cloth coverings
 - Not enough for a full classroom
 - Update the banners in the gym-get them to look uniform.
 - Last year, the big push was athe padding in the gym. He would be okay with us pushing this again. Don't know how much it would cost.
 - Library project a few years ago was great, the space is now being used.
 - Get more books in the library. Would love to see a line item in the budget every year for purchasing new books-would be good to have new releases.
 - 4' decal in boys and girls locker rooms
 - Mural/decal in commons area-bring more school spirit, pizazz to building-several votes for the mural-a good place for selfies.
 - Get some flags for the front of the building-DMS, Panther head.
 - Top Votes: Books for library, mural, more money for staff appreciation.
 - Actions:
 - Invest book fair money back into the library
 - Antonio get quotes for mural, glad, others-next meeting
 - Jenny, Roxanne propose increase for staff appreciation
- Treasurer's report
- Staff Appreciation
 - o Trail n Smoke BBQ this month
 - October-for conferences-Hyvee does Chinese, will price this out and see what this looks like
 - o Bus driver appreciation the week after-pull in the student council
- Concessions, Cross Country meet update
 - o Winding down with baseball and softball, positive feedback for offering concession
 - Next big thing: cross country invitational. Taco truck, pizza truck, Kona Iceset up. Also concessions. Had been a challenge with SC issues - ie. Gatorade shortage. Right now can only buy one flavor, didn't have the right size bottles of water even this week. Still have some left from softball and baseball.
 - Right after X Country start girls basketball. Will need to stock up on chocolate, nachos, pretzels, popcorn, etc.
- Student Council volunteer opportunities
- Spiritwear
 - Andrea and Stacie have site all set up online
 - Slow start, need to send out another email to parents.
 - BSN sports- some schools have made \$10K off their spirit wear stuff. Everything ships directly home. School just gets it set up and gets message out-not that we need to shift to this, but it might be more appealing to parents and students. Stacie will contact BSN sports.
- Dineout
- Other fundraising items
 - Panthers with a purpose-if we do it, it would need to be outside. Won't be able to go to nursing homes, into toher schools. Would need to find outdoor projects. 8th graders did it as 6th graders, and got great feedback. This group would need to do a lot of work on it.

- o A lot of what ifs right now.
- Didn't have anything in place for the 8th graders. Didn't mention anything to 8th grade parents about help with the costs.
- Antonio will reach out to Morton principal to see what they're doing, maybe shoot for spring.
- One idea is Tanner's donuts-would have to be November-Roxanne will find out more information.
- Vote on Sheila Arnold Motion passed to fund Sheila Arnold, \$650.

Meeting adjourned at 6:06pm