



Dilworth PTA Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday September 8, 2022 2:15 PM

Welcome: 20 attendees in person and also board members on Zoom

Treasurer's Report: The budget for both the general and art account were discussed and copies of the budget were circulated. Budget is grouped by category so if funds need to be rearranged they can be without getting approval as long as the amount for the category is maintained. \$2,000 is being allocated for our new diversity and inclusion category. An agreement with Cary Berg (music teacher) has been agreed upon of \$1400/month (from \$1200) to be paid by PTA. The accompanist will receive \$500/month. Alle expressed appreciation for the music program and this year the programs should be more evenly distributed through the school year which will also allow the teaching to be more evenly distributed. This year the PTA will not be gifting the school funds but hope to have the funds to resume in the future. Mr. Squire mentioned the gift from last year helped buy tech equipment for the upper grades. The PTA will also ensure a yearbook is purchased for those children who have not had one ordered. Every member in attendance signed both the fiscal responsibilities and conflict of interest forms required by PTA. The budget was unanimously approved.

Event Recap: Back to school teacher breakfast was well-received and teachers were appreciative.

Memberships and registrations are coming in through MemberHub. Reminder that all board members must pay the \$5 to be registered.

The back to school fundraiser Melissa Manville set up was successful in making around \$3,000. These funds will be used for children who need assistance in having a Halloween costume, birthday treats, Art Night tickets, etc. The diversity and inclusion group will work with Melissa and Bethany Epstein on how those funds are to be used. The teachers will be able to reach out to Mrs. E when they see a need. As previously discussed, the board has a desire to work towards a giving program/sister school in the future.

Business: Codi Schreck will send an event recap form after events. Please fill out the form so we can have a record of budgets, details, etc. to help other board members in the future.

Dots for Dilworth fundraiser begins on September 12. Toni will need help with volunteers for all parts of this fundraiser. The fundraiser ends on September 23 and the limo lunch will be October 5th for those students who qualify.

Picnic on the Playground will be September 22nd. There will be food to purchase and possibly a DJ.

There is discussion on how to continue Dragon readers. The AR program has been purchased for the school and it is expected all teachers utilize this program. Is tracking reading for AR and Dragon readers too much? Should this go back to a reading challenge week for the school or another type of reading program. More discussions to come.

Reflections theme will be "Show Your Voice" and Dilworth will be participating for those students who are interested.

Red Ribbon week has options this year too. Red Ribbon is for drugs, Yellow Ribbon for suicide awareness and White ribbon is for computer/online safety. It was discussed that people like more of a mental health or kindness focus - "friendship week".

Reminder to use GroupMe app for the most up-to-date board information. The best time for meetings from the poll was in the afternoon before school ends. We know this doesn't work for everyone so we may change in the future but we will have the Zoom capabilities for any meeting someone can't attend in person.

We are still looking for a babysitter for one hour per month during our board meeting.

Principal and Faculty Updates: There is still a need for a para in the special education classroom and also lunchroom supervision help would be greatly appreciated. Contact Mr. Squire for more information on either need.

Upcoming Events - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Dots for Dilworth fundraiser begins - September 12
- Dots for Dilworth fundraiser ends - September 23
- Picnic on the Playground - September 22
- Short Day - September 29
- No School - September 30
- Dots for Dilworth limo lunch - October 5
- SEP Conferences - October 5-6
- Short Day - October 6
- Vision screening - October 11
- Fall Break - October 13-14
- **Next PTA meeting - Tuesday October 4 - 2:15 PM Faculty Room**