

**DASH Parent Association Meeting
September 9, 2026**

Class Updates:

- **Sophie (Senior Class President)** – The seniors enjoy the ability to choose more of their classes this year and are working on bonding as a class. They are planning a picnic, class T-shirts to wear once a month, and a cafeteria flash mob.
- **Avery (Sophomore Class President)** – Sophomores are enjoying the new space. They are finding that their classes are more difficult than last year, but they are supporting each other. There are 30-40 girls in different fall sports. They are also looking forward to the Feast of Mater next month.

Secretary's Report – Kristin Armendariz

- Come to me if you need a list of parents who are interested in volunteering for different committees. I am also in charge of the Hospitality committee this year, which provides treats for parents at back-to-school night, Open House, and parent-teacher conferences. Thank you to everyone who has helped with these donations!

Treasurer's Report (See Pages 3-5) – Steph Guy

School Report – Dr. Hickman:

- We want to reinstate Post Prom. We haven't had it for 25 years. Prom is only for Juniors and Seniors. It will be held at the beginning of February and will run until 11:00 pm. Administration would prefer an off-campus location for Post Prom.
- The new 44,000-square-foot addition is being put to good use. We are working out the kinks, including getting all the girls through the lunch line in a timely fashion.
- Faculty and staff are enforcing the "no phones out in classrooms" rule more this year. They would love to eventually move to a "no phones in pockets" atmosphere as well.
- We removed messaging apps from the iPads for this school year.

Committee Discussions:

- **Mother/Daughter event** will be the second week in November.
 - Make sure we have leadership for this committee
 - The board will check with previous chairs to see if they still plan to help.

- **Post Prom – Meg Hollibaugh**
 - Contacting other schools with post proms to get advice
 - Looking into bowling alleys, trampoline parks, Omaha Sports & Games
 - Need to get something locked in soon
 - Volunteers this meeting: Adriana Cisneros, Debra Dancer, and Steph Allen
- **Teacher Appreciation Committee** (56 faculty, 70+ total with staff):
 - Previous chair provided chocolate truffles to teachers on their birthdays
 - Fresh Floral had been providing free bouquets, but will no longer do so
 - Teacher lunches during conferences:
 - Some years, Venmo donations are used for a catered lunch
 - Last year, parents provided soup, organized with Sign Up Genius
 - Volunteers from this meeting: Jeremy Aspen, Sarah Owen, Carrie O'Donnell
- **Parent Event Masses** – need leadership
 - Suggestion that girls take on some leadership roles with parent chaperones

Other Discussions:

- **Extra Books**
 - What should parents do with their daughters' extra textbooks?
 - Donated books are put out at the used uniform sale
 - Some are put in classrooms for girls who need them
 - Fewer books are now being required for the students to purchase
- **Cardinal Parent Partnership**
 - Mentor program to help new Duchesne families
 - Mrs. Parkhurst is leading this initiative.
 - We will ask her to present at the October meeting.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, October 14 at Noon in the Fitz

Duchesne Parent Association Board Treasurer Report

Date: September 9, 2026

Recent (end of year and summer) Expenditures/Income:

Baccalaureate Expenses totaled just under \$4000 which was under our budget (likely due to a smaller graduating class). I will review the numbers and adjust the budget if needed for this upcoming year.

Graduation Reception was \$525 for cupcakes.

End of year Hurtz Doughnuts – this receipt was never turned in – is someone holding an expense or did this not happen this past year.

Duchesne hosted a Volunteer appreciation evening so there was no end of year PAB lunch.

The used uniform sale brought in \$2400 (which definitely cover the \$650 we spent on new 'surplus' uniforms from Dennis "going out of business" sale in the fall.

END OF YEAR 2025/2026 Summary:

Income = \$20,643.60 (from 2025/2026)

Expenses = \$19711.88 (from 2025/2026)

We carried over \$10582.54 from the previous year (2024/2025). A lot of this surplus came from a couple years during Covid when events could not happen.

We have a solid balance that will be carrier over into 2026/2027.

We are in a good financial position for the PAB.

START OF YEAR 2026/2027 Summary:

Anticipated Income = approximately \$20,000

Where does our income come from?

We get \$25/student (\$8,625 from 345 students) and then also make money from the Used Uniform Sale in May (\$2,000). In addition, we charge enough money to cover expenses for the M/D and F/D events in the fall and spring (\$4,000 per event).

Anticipated Expenses = approximately \$20,000

Where do our expenses come from (budget numbers are rough estimates for now)?

- Student Conge Event - \$500
- Mother Daughter Event - \$4,000

- Jo on the Go for the Teachers - \$400
- Girls State Donation - \$425
- Father Daughter Event - \$4,000
- Parent Teacher Conference lunches - \$1,000 (\$500 in fall and spring)
- Teacher Birthday Gifts - \$600
- Teacher Surprises - \$1000 (some saved for teacher appreciation lunch in the spring)
- Teacher Appreciation Lunch - \$500
- Teacher Appreciation Gifts - \$500
- Community Connection Day - \$1,000
- Baccalaureate Dinner and other expenses - \$4,000 (may increase for large class this year)
- Graduation Reception - \$500
- PAB End of Year Lunch - \$250
- End of year Doughnuts - \$700
- Phone for Venmo - \$640
- Miscellaneous - \$500

We generally run about cost neutral throughout the year.

We do have a Venmo account but we are working to make it active (it does not connect to our bank account currently).

Items for Discussion:

- Any questions

Reminders:

Submit for reimbursement using the form. Email to myself (stephguy33@gmail.com) and Erin B. (ebartolomei@duchesneacademy.org).

Duchesne is Tax Exempt make sure you don't get charged tax. Duchesne will not reimburse for tax. Request the number from Erin if needed and/or purchasing things through Erin is acceptable and there is an Amazon account, just let me know so I account for it in the budget.

Steph Guy Stephguy33@gmail.com or 402-957-5896



Duchesne Parent Association Reimbursement Form Committee /

Activity: _____ Event Date: _____ (i.e. Fun Lunch, Graduation Reception, Teacher Appreciation, etc)

Committee Chairperson: _____

Make checks payable to (please write legibly):

Name: _____

Address: _____

Your Phone Number, in case of questions: _____

Itemized Expenses:

Date	Description of Expense (store name, items purchased)	Amount
	TOTAL	

Please email CLEAR pictures of this form and the invoices/receipts to the Parent Association Treasurer & Accounting Associate:

Steph Guy (402-957-5896)...stephguy33@gmail.com

Erin Bartolomei (402.810.997314) ebartolomei@duchesneacademy.org

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Date Paid	
Check Number	

PLEASE DO NOT mail to, or drop this form off at DUCHESNE. Email is best so both Erin and Treasurer can see it.