

Dighton PTO Meeting Minutes

Date: January 7, 2016

Meeting called to order by: Jennifer Fyfe at 7:03pm

Location: Dighton Elementary School Library

Attendance: 13

• Officer Reports

o President - Jennifer Fyfe

■ PTO Expo will be in Boston on 4/12. Looking for volunteers.

■ Holiday card received from Welch family as a donation for 8th grade field trip or to PTO if trip is fully funded.

o Vice President - Jessica Hirschy

■ Book fair will be on 4/29. Theme will be groovy books.

o Secretary - Sarah Horrocks

■ December Meeting minutes approved.

o Treasurer - Alicen Adams

■ December Report reviewed and approved.

■ Teacher Requests

• Mr. Badger requested new headphones for the computer lab in the amount of \$425. Request approved.

• Grade 4 requests \$275 plus shipping and tax for 100 planners for fourth graders for DMS. Request approved.

• Mr. Graham requests \$118.42 for eggspert wireless buzzer system to turn learning into a game. Request approved.

o Communications Secretary - Sarah Bettencourt

o Terri Fredericks spoke about "Bases Covered" in Dighton which offers assistance to families going through cancer or other medical issues.

Currently the board is looking for information for any families in need who live in Dighton. Help is available! Comedy show on 1/22 \$40 for person at Hillside. Please contact Terri Fredericks with any questions.

• Principal Reports

o Mr. Wheeler - Dighton Middle School. Absent.

■ Lots of activities available including a play, Lego club, and project 351. Yearbook is available for purchase through the website. PARCC type questions will be added to MCAS.

o Dr. Manchester - Dighton Elementary School.

■ 1/25 is a half day for teacher workshops. Math night will be on 1/27 5:30-7:30 led by Beth Doherty who will provide more information for parents to understand common core. Dr. Manchester emphasized importance of practicing math facts at home to gain fluency. MCAS dates may be moved later slightly because of new information.

- See attached newsletter.
 - Mrs. Fullen - Vice Principal. Absent.
- **Accomplishments**
 - Santa Secret workshop. Profit \$2882. Thank you to all the helpers!
 - Spirit wear pick up. Profit \$662.15.
 - Holiday cash for Homeroom parties.
 - DES - Teachers luncheon Dec 11th. Many thank you notes were given.
 - Bake sale for DMS (candy bars during the concert) and DES (bake sale during chorus concert) profit was \$107.
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Yankee Candle - DES only forms will go home at the end of January.
 - Sweetheart Dance- Feb or March. March 5 is only date available for DJ Al and high school. Forest Family Fun center is available for additional dates and will provide DJ services as well as open snack bar and will collect 50% of profits. Motion to move sweetheart dance to Forest Family Fun Center. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Philip and Henry Magic show. \$1200 to put on a magic show at high school. Potentially 5/13.
- **Parent and Teacher Ideas**
 - Open discussion
 - Parent shared idea of inflatable fun run at Seekonk speedway 6/11.
 - Red Sox contacted PTO offering group tickets to game 4/20. \$10 for upper bleacher. \$20 in bleachers.
 - Glorimar Vargas, from Little Folks Theatre would like to put on a play with PTO and DES for June performance date. Additional information is needed regarding costs and participation requirements.
 - Mr. Kucia shared that they are hoping to take 8th graders to state house and aquarium. Looking for assistance in funding.
- **Meeting Adjourned at 9:13pm**
 - Next meeting, Tuesday February 2rd, 7pm @ DES Library

President (Jennifer Fyfe) _____

Vice President (Jessica Hirschy) _____

Treasurer (Alicen Adams) _____

Secretary (Sarah Horrocks) _____

Communications Secretary (Sarah Bettencourt) _____

Minutes compiled by: Sarah Horrocks

