

Dighton PTO Meeting Minutes

Date: March 3, 2015

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

Location: Dighton Elementary School Library

Attendance: 15

• **Officer Reports**

- President - Jennifer Fyfe
 - April meeting “ nominations for the 2015/2016 PTO board
- Vice President - Jessica Hirschy
- Secretary - Sarah Horrocks
 - February Meeting Minutes approved
- Treasurer – Alicen Adams
 - February Report approved
 - Teacher Requests
 - Second grade field trip to participate in Bugs and Insect Program at Natural Resources Trust of Easton on June 9th and 10th. Teacher request of \$1281 approved.
 - Eighth grade team request to purchase of blue ray DVD player for the entire grade to share. Request for \$70 approved.
 - Mr. Noiseux request of \$210.74 to offset building supplies for the drama production which will take place in April. Request approved.
 - Kindergarten team is requesting \$263.91 for purchasing living science materials. Request approved.
 - Mr. Badger and the technology committee are requesting \$5,272 to purchase 36 Chromebooks and cart which will allow one full grade level to share technology. Technology committee are planing on other fundraising in order to implement school wide with the help of the Dighton PTO. The committee is also looking into grants and encourage people with grant writing experience to contact them. Request approved.
 - Mr. Pauly, technology teacher at Dighton Middle School is requesting 9 Chromebooks for teacher use. Request for \$2970 approved.
- Communications Secretary – Sarah Bettencourt

• **Principal Reports**

- Mr. Wheeler – Dighton Middle School see Principal's News attached.
- Dr. Manchester – Dighton Elementary School
 - Newsletter has not been sent yet because of changes to MCAS dats, which are likely to start April 2nd. Progress reports have been sent out. Teacher workshops will be on March 16th. Cookie and a book night sign ups have been sent out for k-2. DES is implementing library cards for second graders. Accelerated reader program on Thursday mornings from 8:15-9:15 is now running for grades 1-4. Preschool screenings currently being done and kindergarten screening letters were sent out last week. Peer leaders will be packaging

MCAS snacks. Next years school budget is currently being discussed and parents are encouraged to be informed.

- Mrs. Fullen – Vice Principal for DES and DMS, absent

- **Accomplishments**

- Friendly's Dine –out February 24th
- Yankee Candle

- **Upcoming events**

- MCAS power snack on testing days.
- Sweetheart dance – March 14th @ DRHS
- Read-a- thon top classroom will be rewarded
- Fun Fitness
- Parents night out (La Familia) 6-9pm April 12th
- School kits
 - Will be implementing at the middle school as well.
- Accelerated reader program will be starting on Thursday mornings from 8:15-9:15.

- **Parent and Teacher Ideas**

- Maya Patricio from the local Girl Scout troop requests that the troop be allowed to set up a table at the book fair to show project of recycling and education about energy conservation.

- **Jenn Fyfe adjourned meeting at 8:40pm**

- Next meeting, Tuesday April 7, 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