## Dondero

2023/2024 - PTA Meeting Minutes
Date: 9/21/23 Time: 6:30

Executive Board Attendees/ Invitees

| Name | Present | Contact | Capacity |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Leslie Scuderi | yes | lesliescuderi@gmail.com | President |
| Jana Goldstein | yes | janakgoldstein@gmail.com | Vice President |
| Molly Wilson | yes | mollyshawwilson@gmail.com | Treasurer |
| Jess Harris | yes | Jesseharris451@yahoo.com | Secretary |
| Kate Callahan | yes | kcallahan@sau52.org | Principal |
| Amber Buttermore | yes | amberpeacock@hotmail.com | Social Media Coordinator |

## Agenda

- Introductions
- June Minutes
- Principal's Report
- Treasurer
- Back to School Forms
- Volunteering With the PTA
- Teacher Appreciation
- Class Liaisons
- Fairy House
- Dine Out
- Cornhole
- Mabel's Labels
- Dondero Challenge
- Parking Spot Raffle
- Election Day Bake Sale
- Questions/ Comments


## Introductions

- Introduction of board members
- Nikki presented a Science Day synopsis for 3/28/24
- PTA to budget approximately $\$ 2,000$ for presenters
- Looking for parent presenters with a science background
- Nikki to generate a list of jobs


## Principal's Report: Kate

- Dondero is a Blue Ribbon School!
- This year presents a high kindergarten population, assistants have been hired for those classrooms
- The first 6 weeks of school are a gradual transition to learning with emphasis on social emotional and basic skills and expectations for being part of a school community
- Third grade reading assessments underway to inform instruction
- September assessments will determine math and reading placements
- Fourth and Fifth grades have already hade their first field trips
- $5^{\text {th }}$ grade beginning the "Summit to Sea" program


## Treasurer's Report: Molly

- Goal for 2023-2024 - To cover the cost of all busing for field trips and cost of trip
- All teachers received a \$50 Amazon gift card for their classrooms. Amber will be posting some of the purchases on social media
- $\quad \$ 150$ was spent on Fairy House Club, will need to be added to the budget for next pear
- PTA to pay for back to school luncheon for teachers
- We received a check for $\$ 1,745$ from TreeRing
- The Playground savings account has been closed and rolled into the general PTA checking account. The balance of $\$ 12,978.53$ that was combined will be earmarked for the Playground.
- Current bank balance is $\$ 34,669.99$ (including playground money)


## Back to School Forms: Leslie

- Popcorn prepay ( $\$ 15 /$ year) Have sold 228 for this school year, last year 226
- Dues ( $\$ 7$ single $/ \$ 14$ family) 62 Members 23-24 school year. 55 members for the 22-23 school year
- QR codes for back to school forms including becoming a member of the PTA and popcorn purchase can be found in the agenda for this meeting


## Popcorn: Jannice

- Popcorn is $\$ 15$ for the year when prepaid
- Prepay has ended but parents are reaching out to see if it is still available
- Alexis to reactivate the link through the weekend
- In need of volunteers to pop and to clean
- Must be fingerprinted to volunteer in the school during the school day
- Officer Rochelle will be at the October 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ PTA meeting to fingerprint
- People wanting to have their fingerprints done need to bring a check for $\$ 35$ to that meeting or they may go to the police station and be fingerprinted and then MUST have it notarized


## Teacher Appreciation

- Committee Chair is Sarah Duddy-Vaillancourt
- Volunteers are needed
- Seltzer and Snacks are being provided on the early release day
- Leslie to reach out to Sarah for date of Popcorn Bar so Jannice can have supplies


## Classroom Liaisons: Jana

- The purpose of the Class Liaison is to send emails to classroom families regarding PTA events and to communicate Grade Level Meet-Ups
- In addition, each grade level is responsible for one PTA event during the year. The class liaison will communicate to families the needs in organizing the assigned event


## Fairy House Club: Molly

- Club Chair is Lindsay Carroll
- September 23 \& 24 at Strawbery Banke 10 am - 3 pm
- There were 29 participants and 7 volunteers
- A few children needed to be turned away, more volunteers needed next year
- We need a minimum of 5 volunteers for the actual event
- Amber to share the event on socials tonight
- The expectation of volunteering for a shift at the Fairy House event as part of being in the club, needs to be clearly communicated next year


## Dine Out for Dondero

- Looking for a new point person to help set up dates with local restaurants.
- Jess Harris can help mentor new committee leaders.


## Cornhole Tournament: Leslie

- Sept. 27th 5:00 8:30 pm
- We will be looking for boards to borrow for the event.
- 9 teams currently registered


## Mabel's Labels

- We earn $20 \%$ commission on all purchases
- Information will be sent home in October


## Spirit Wear: Sophie

- Information will go out this month
- Nikki designed 2 new logos that will appear on this year's spirit wear
- We are now ordering through Harvey's Embroidery, orders placed through their storefront
- Using the Harvey's sight will eliminate the "donate" button. Sophie to reach out to Harvey's to see if it is possible to add this as an option. If not, possibly add to Cheddar Up
- New this year; aluminum water bottles.
- Minimum order of 24 . Sophie proposed an order of 40, PTA agreed
- Ordering 20 extra beanies to sell at events. Students currently voting on design
- Teacher's will receive a discount and have "Staff Only" items available
- Sophie to reach out to Harvey's to add a basic $t$ with the new logo for a $\$ 10-\$ 12$ price point
- Total order for PTA is approximately $\$ 2,500$

Fall Fest

- ${ }^{* * *} 4^{\text {th }}$ grade run event ${ }^{* * *}$
- October $13^{\text {th }}$ from 5-7
- Several volunteers needed, Signup Genius linked in agenda

Dondero Challenge

- October $20^{\text {th }}$ during the school day, UA block
- Theme is "World Changer Workshop"
- Last year, $67 \%$ of donations came from outside immediate families


## Parking Raffle

- 2 have sold so far

Election Day Bake sale

- Keep on the radar for November 7th

Submitted by: Jessica Harris

