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| **Date:** February 13th, 2018 | **Time:** 6:30 pm | **Location**: Dondero Library |

**Purpose:** This is the 6th General PTA Meeting of the 2017-2018 school year.

**Executive Board Attendees/Invitees**

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| **Name** | **Present** | **Contact** | **Capacity** |
| Michele Aronne | Yes | micheleg229@comcast.net | President, Meeting Host |
| Melissa Vetter | Yes | mvetter79@gmail.com | Vice President |
| Jannice Hodges | Yes | jannicehodges@gmail.com | Treasurer |
| Brooke Sokolnicki | Yes | brookesokolnicki@gmail.com | Secretary |
| Kate Callahan | No | kcallahan@sau52.org | Principal |

**Agenda**

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Approval of January Minutes
3. Budget Update - Jannice
4. What’s Been Done Already?
	1. Calendar Raffle (in-flight) - Melissa
	2. Margarita’s Night - Michele
	3. Artists in Residence - Shannon
5. What’s Coming Up?
	1. Teacher Appreciation
	2. Movie Night – Melissa & Michele
	3. Bowling Night – Melissa
	4. Color Run – Melissa
	5. Scholastic Book Fair
	6. Box Tops
	7. Playground Update – Nikki & Alice
6. Next PTA Meeting – Tuesday, March 13th

**Discussion**

* The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by PTA President, Michele Aronne
* Quorum obtained; four out of five members of the Executive Board were present.
* January 2018 PTA Minutes were distributed for review. Minutes approved by Nikki Savramis & Melissa Vetter, all agreed, no one opposed.
* ***2017-2018 Budget & Treasure’s Update*** (Jannice)
* Amazon Smile - ~$57, Box Tops - $571, $2600 from Calendar Raffle ($2410 profit & the winner donated their $50 to the playground fund), Margarita’s Fundraiser ~$412 profit, popcorn $ still being deposited, $25 per week, profit $1700 to-date. Square 1 Art - $901.90.
* eSchool - $6580, 2 checks paid so far – this is the ecology school field trip for 5th grade.
* Moved playground donation 99 check into playground section of budget spreadsheet. Now almost $3900 aligned to playground & $33097 total account balance.
* PTA Dues - $5.25 individual, no family package price. PTA can contribute the $.25 cents in future and then collect $5 from individual members next year. Will be sure to be clear in defining PTA membership in welcome packet next year.
* Go Fund Me -> Jannice verified bank account info to ensure $ auto deposits into our account after X days. This is happening now & $ is being deposited.
* ***What’s Been Done Already?***
	+ Calendar Raffle – will include in Wednesday Weekly, adding to Facebook page. Can change things up for next year if we do it again.
	+ Margarita’s Night – no school/snow day. Mrs. King’s class had the most participation & won the ice cream party.
	+ AIR – 4th/5th grade (Shannon)

***What’s Coming Up?***

* + Teacher Appreciation Tomorrow – 2/14. Coffee/Cocoa rescheduled from ½ day.
		- Consider a baked potato bar/chili bar for a future teacher appreciation event
	+ Movie Night – Will include food volunteer sign up in Wednesday Weekly.
		- Mac n Cheese will be the main course and will also offer plain pasta & homemade sauce.
	+ Bowling Night (Melissa) – Thursday, 3/15. $10 per child, Bowl-A-Rama gives back $5 per child to PTA.
	+ Color Run
		- Could be a fun run and not a color run.
		- Planning to run thru the Woodlands. It will be ~1.5 miles. Marketed as a walk/run.
		- All proceed will be targeted for the playground.
		- Currently targeting June 2nd ; May 12th weekend is Mother’s Day;June 9th is Market Square Day.
	+ Scholastic Book Fair – week of March 19th. Kids will likely use their library time slots to shop & get ideas. It will be like our classic “book fairs”. Parent volunteers will be needed for morning & after school time slots where kids will have the chance to purchase books.
	+ Box Tops – race for recess, by grade. Catchy marketing campaign to draw in more box tops and adjust recognition. This will occur in March.
* **Other Items**
	+ Garden Club – Annie Mac n Cheese supports garden club.
	+ Outdoor Projects (Alice) – talked with the town. Need design assistance. Will phase in projects over time.
		- 1) Master Planning Part, 2) Design to get permit & bids which is 6-12% construction cost.
		- Playground committee has selected Terrence Parker (Landscape Architect at Terra Firma) to design the Playground. He also designed the outdoor space at the Dover Children’s Museum & worked on the Central School in S. Berwick.
		- We’re taking steps to a clearer vision of what the playground project can be. This vision of a campus-wide master plan will assist us in persuading large donor to support our campaign.
		- Here is a link to a South Berwick project that Terrence orchestrated:
		<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ZjbUoVBUug&feature=youtu.be>
		- Looking for anyone who has writing experience who can help with future press releases.
		- Vote -> proposal on incremental payments. $10K approved.
		- Details from the Dover Children’s Museum at this link:
		<http://worldlandscapearchitect.com/the-nature-playground-at-the-henry-law-park-dover-usa-terra-firma/#.WoSdnK3Myd0>

Next PTA Meeting planned for Tuesday, March 13th.

* ***Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 PM.***

Submitted by: Brooke Sokolnicki, Dondero PTA Secretary