

Dondero PTA – February 2022 Meeting Minutes

Date: February 17th, 2022

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Zoom

Purpose: This is the 5th General PTA Meeting of the 2021-2022 school year.

Executive Board Attendees/Invitees

Name	Present	Contact	Capacity
Alexis Lang	Yes	alexis.lang@comcast.net	President
Jana Goldstein	Yes	janakgoldstein@gmail.com	Vice President
Jannice Hodges	Yes	jannicehodges@gmail.com	Treasurer
Sarah Lynch	Yes	sarahalibby@yahoo.com	Secretary
Kate Callahan	Yes	kcallahan@sau52.org	Principal

Agenda

Welcome Approval of January 20th Minutes

Principal's Report

- Mary C. Dondero Day March 16th

Treasurer's Report

- Book Fair
- Seacoast Art Spot fundraiser

Calendar Raffle Parking Spot Raffle, Round 2

Dine out for Dondero

Teacher Appreciation

AIRS

Yearbook Update

Miscellaneous

- Rainbow Day - February 18th
- Spring eSchool event

Questions/Comments

Discussion

Meeting called to order at 6:35.

January Meeting Minutes approved.

Principal Report- Kate Callahan

- Student leadership has been busy planning an event to celebrate Mary C. Dondero's birthday. Students plan to decorate the cafeteria with facts about her life and the PTA will donate cupcakes for the celebration. Students have been encouraged to take charge organizing the event.
- Joe Marquette from Portsmouth High School is visiting Dondero once a week for the next 6-8 weeks to teach Italian to grades K-5. The lessons will be tied into the teacher's curriculum. He's using games and science to teach.
- Red Good Vibes is partnering with Seacoast Eats Local to promote eating healthy and cooking as a family in our community. Seacoast Eats is coming up with the recipes and Red Good Vibes is assembling and delivering the bags of ingredients. The program cost is \$56,000 for 16 weeks. Kate is hoping to get funding for next year. The 1st grade teachers have decided to make the weekly recipes in school with the students!

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- 5th Grade is working on their revolutionary war project. Planning has also begun for E-School. Dondero 5th graders will be going the last week of May along with NFS 5th graders. There will be a parent meeting in March to discuss the program and the fundraising needed to cover costs.
- Joe from SeaBee Honey came in to make melted beeswax chap sticks with third grade students.

Budget: Jannice

- Bookfair sold \$7099 worth of books during the in school book sale. Teachers were able to purchase \$2100 worth of books for their classrooms. Sales doubled this year!
- Seacoast Art Spot Fundraiser made \$200
- \$250 made in Facebook donations
- \$20 from boxtops
- Calendar Raffle- 1285 tickets have been sold with a profit of \$6420. This also doubled from last year.

Parking Spot Raffle Round 2

- Tickets will be sold until February 24th. Winning ticket will be drawn on the 25th. So far only 8 tickets have been purchased.

Dine out for Dondero-Jess Harris

- Jess is waiting to hear back from Pub 99.
- Chipotle is tentatively scheduled for April 12th.

Teacher's Appreciation -Sarah and Kristen

- The committee added a raffle to last month's staff event.
- March 9th the committee will provide a yogurt bar for the early release day.
- April will be a salad bar
- In May there will be a week long appreciation event with different activities/treats each day.
- Heather continues to spruce the staff bathrooms and lounge.

AIRS-Molly

- Molly is planning an ice sculpture event with Icebreakers from Manchester for some time in March. Any day is good except Wednesdays. The cost is \$1000. Students will vote on the subject matter for the ice sculptures. Thinking front circle would be a good location.
- Leslie recommended Exploration out of Nashua for a STEAM event in lieu of Science Day.

Yearbook-Leslie

- The deadline is May 11th to order yearbooks.
- Parents can customize their own yearbook before April 22nd. The first two pages are free and then 99 cents after that.
- Yearbook flyers will go home after break.
- PTA will order 25-30 extra copies for the office as well a yearbook for any 5th grader that does not purchase one.
- Mr. Bastille is working with the students to design the front and back cover.

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- Spring E School Fundraiser is being planned for April 9th by Amber Buttermore. Amber is looking for a committee of parents, specifically 5th grade parents, to help plan and fundraise for the event. This adult event at the Elks will be in lieu of the Dondero Idols fundraising event. The Elks is charging \$1480 for the event space and Orchard Grill will cater. Amber is hoping to find sponsors to cover the cost of the evening. Ticket sales and the silent auction proceeds will go towards e school. The goal is to raise 5-6k. Entertainment ideas needed.
- February 18th is Rainbow Day.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:38

Next Meeting: March 17, 2022 (format TBD)

Submitted by: Sarah Lynch, Dondero Secretary