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| **Date:** June 7th, 2018 | **Time:** 6:30pm | **Location**: Dondero Library |

**Purpose:** This is the 9th 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 | Yes | kcallahan@sau52.org | Principal |

**Agenda**

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Approval of May Minutes
3. What’s Been Done Already?
	1. Artists in Residence (AIR) (Shannon)
	2. Teacher Appreciation (Shannon)
	3. Dondero Idols (Jannice)
	4. Color Run (Melissa)
	5. Spell-A-Thon
4. What’s Coming Up?
	1. End of Year Celebration – Friday, June 15th (Michele)
	2. Landscaping Project (Michele)
	3. Promethean Board for Mr. Bastille (Kate)
	4. Retirements (Shannon)
5. Budget
6. Secretary Position for Next Year
7. Next PTA Meeting - September

**Discussion**

* The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by PTA President, Michele Aronne
* Quorum obtained; five out of five members of the Executive Board were present.
* May 2018 PTA Minutes were distributed for review. Minutes approved by Nikki Savramis – 2nd by Shannon Harrison & Melissa Vetter. All agreed, no one opposed.

**What’s Been Done Already?**

* **Artists in Residence-**
	+ Subzero for 5th grade – ice cream w/ liquid nitrogen. It was great & they loved it! ~$386.
	+ Garden sculpture for 4th grade – it’s a rock sculpture & will get drilled together. Each child brought in a rock to be placed in the front garden as part of the sculpture creation. The company assisting with the build is doing it at no-charge to support the memorial for a little girl who passed ~18-20 years ago.
	+ 4th grade vision boards –-> what are your dreams & hopes. A former parent is assisting. Kids bring in clippings from old magazines for inspiring photos. Supplies include foam boards & glue sticks.
	+ AIR $ left over – considered work w/ Adam (art teacher) & develop art for the remodel. Thinking just order the items Adam is requesting for supplies. Another thought is something on the brick wall in the front of the school such as a big D Logo.
* **Teacher Appreciation**
	+ 68 mint plants at cost from Rolling Greens nursery. Considering a Mojito recipe card. Will deliver on Monday or Tuesday, 6/18-6/19. Also free Cumby’s on pack day. Will also have baskets of muffins available to go along with the Cumby’s.
	+ Retirements -> 5 retirees. $30 a piece for a total of $150. Purchased Portsmouth framed art w/ a tag of thanks. 97 years of combined service!

***What’s Been Done – Continued***

* **Dondero Idols** – 1 auction item left to collect ($40). ~$7K profit! Yippee!! The Black Family contributed $100 for Playground Fund from their 50/50 winnings. Talked about a transition process for a 3rd grade parent preparing for 4th to get involved. Considering a new logo for Idols.
* **Color Run –** Held on Saturday, 6/2. 265 runners. Profit of ~2K, still working through final #’s. If we hold this type of event again, it will be important to have signs for participants to stay off the grass of houses on the route.
* **Spell-a-thon** – update: $4,565 profit!!

***What’s Coming Up?***

* **End of Year Celebration** – will be held on Friday, June 15th from 5:30 – 7:30. Inflatable ponies for races have been ordered. Michele is organizing timing of all activities that need volunteer help.
* **Promethean Boards –** Kate will price. Adam the art teacher needs one for next year and consider one for Abbie for the following year. *We approved $4K from the PTA.*
* **Fairy House Tour -**(Shannon) – less work headed into this event for Dondero than prior years, but also means less $ for Dondero. We will be expected to provide 19 houses & sell tickets. Plan for this for next year’s budget – consider $1,500 profit instead of $2,700 profit.
* **Landscaping & Dondero Announcement Board–** discussion around the fencing directly in front of school. Perennials & fence (PVC). Suggested conducting a survey to get feedback from families on how they prefer communication. Is anyone reading the sign out front? If they do, do they read it coming in, when they are leaving? *We approved $3K for landscaping from the PTA.*
* **Playground Fund –**Current balance:$44K We raised $24K and the school department contributed $20K.
* **Open PTA Board Position** – Sarah Lynch will be the 2018-2019 / 2019-2020 PTA Secretary. Each board member term is 2 years.

For 2018-2019 school year, monthly meetings will be moved back to Thursday nights.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 13, 2018

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Submitted by: Brooke Sokolnicki, Dondero PTA Secretary