

# Dondero PTA March 12, 2015 Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 03/12/2015

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Location:** Dondero Library

**Purpose:** This is the 6<sup>th</sup> General PTA Meeting of the 2014-15 school year.

## Executive Board Attendees/Invitees

Name	Present	Contact	Capacity
Beth Krupp	Yes	president@donderopta.org	President, Meeting Host
Shannon Harrison	Yes	vp@donderopta.org	Vice President
Patrick Lyons	Yes	treasurer@donderopta.org	Treasurer
Michele Aronne	Yes	secretary@donderopta.org	Secretary
Kate Callahan	Yes	kcallahan@portsmouth.k12.nh.us	Principal

## Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Approval of February 2015 Meeting Minutes
3. Principal's Update
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Activities Update
  - a. Completed
    - i. Breakfast & Internet Safety Program
  - b. Active/Future
    - i. AIRS (Ongoing)
    - ii. Teacher Appreciation (Ongoing) – Teacher Workshop Day March 20th
    - iii. Yearbook
    - iv. Spell-a-thon
    - v. Bingo (March 19<sup>th</sup>)
    - vi. Science Day (March 27<sup>th</sup>)
    - vii. Movie Night (April 10<sup>th</sup>)
    - viii. Dondero Idols (April 16<sup>th</sup>)
    - ix. Spelling Bee
6. Other
7. Next PTA Meeting – April 9<sup>th</sup>

## Discussion

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by PTA President, Beth Krupp
2. Quorum obtained; five out of five members of the Executive Board were present.
3. February 2015 PTA Minutes were distributed for review. A motion was made by Pat Lyons to accept the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Jessica Clark and unanimously approved.
4. Principal Update
  - a) Grades 3-5: teachers are preparing students for smarter balance testing
  - b) Grades K-2 are enhancing their science and social studies curriculum
  - c) All grades are already planning their field trips
  - d) Field Day is on the calendar for Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.
5. Treasurer's Report
  - a) We have roughly \$27000 in the bank
  - b) The calendar raffle made \$1000 less than planned
  - c) Movie Nights are showing no income and there was an increase in the rights to show the movies
  - d) Pat reviewed all deposits and withdrawals up to date. We've had extra fund raisers so we've had extra money come in but we are still low for the year.
6. Activities Update
  - a) Completed
    - i. Breakfast & Internet Safety Program – Brought in \$9270 – there was poor attendance but great donations

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## b) Active/Future

- i. AIRS (Ongoing) – Junk to Funk will be coming on June 8/9/10 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> graders. Cost is \$1500. Still looking for something for 5<sup>th</sup> graders – perhaps Firefly Pottery, Tile Wall, Origami, or Garden Sculptors
- ii. Teacher Appreciation (Ongoing) – Teacher Workshop Day March 20<sup>th</sup> – donations of soup, rolls and desserts are being brought in for the teachers.
- iii. Yearbook – there will be online ordering and pictures are needed to be in by April 6th
- iv. Spell-a-thon – forms are due back on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> – test date is March 19<sup>th</sup>
- v. Bingo (March 19<sup>th</sup>) – No costs – all concession items are being donated
- vi. Science Day (March 27<sup>th</sup>) – Students will pick their top choices. There will be two morning sessions for all grades. In the afternoon there will be two big assemblies: There will be an inflatable blue whale assembly for K-2 and Grades 3-5 will be building a geodome
- vii. Movie Night (April 10<sup>th</sup>) – Sarah Honeyman is running it – Big Hero 6 will be the movie – doesn't feel this should be a fund raiser, it's more of a community event – could keep costs down by having more homemade, donated items and less store-bought food.
- viii. Dondero Idols (April 16<sup>th</sup>) –
  1. There is a graphic designer making programs
  2. There will be a raffle as well as a silent auction
  3. It will be a rubber ducky theme
  4. There will be pizza, desserts and water for sale
  5. Overall planning is going well and they are in good shape
- ix. Spelling Bee –
  1. This event is by choice – it is a formal spelling bee with microphone and all
  2. Sarah is trying to give incentives to the kids to get them psyched.
  3. She is thinking of offering them a free movie night or perhaps giving everyone who participates a little gift
  4. Kate thinks the student leadership could potentially help out with the spelling bee
- x. Since the AirZone/Peachwave fundraiser did well – should we have another one? Michele will look to plan another one possibly for May 15<sup>th</sup>.

7. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00PM.

Submitted by: Michele Aronne, PTA Secretary