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| **Date:** 05/11/2017 | **Time:** 6:30 pm | **Location**: Dondero Library |

**Purpose:** This is the 8th General PTA Meeting of the 2016-17 school year.

**Executive Board Attendees/Invitees**

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| **Name** | **Present** | **Contact** | **Capacity** |
| Shannon Harrison | Yes | shandobie@comcast.net | President, Meeting Host |
| Michele Aronne | Yes | micheleg229@comcast.net | Vice President |
| Melissa Vetter | No | mvetter79@gmail.com | Treasurer |
| Brooke Sokolnicki | Yes | brookesokolnicki@gmail.com | Secretary |
| Kate Callahan | Yes | kcallahan@portsmouth.k12.nh.us | Principal |

**Agenda**

1. Welcome, Introductions and Thank You
2. Approval of April 2017 Meeting Minutes
3. Principal Update - Kate
4. Treasurer’s Update
   1. Deposits & Expenses
5. Updates Since Last Meeting
   1. Wizards
   2. Pure Barre
   3. Bowling Night
6. What’s Coming Up
   1. Yearbook
   2. Dondero Idols – May 25th
   3. Teacher Luncheon – June 20th
7. Other ideas/comments
8. PTA Nominations for the 2017/2018 year
9. Looking for help in the Fall for: 1) Fairy House Tour and 2) Movie Nights
10. Next PTA meeting – June 8th at 6:30 pm

**Discussion**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm by PTA President, Shannon Harrison
2. Quorum obtained; four out of five members of the Executive Board were present.
3. April 2017 PTA Minutes were distributed for review. Minutes were approved by Nikki Savramis & Michele Aronne, all agreed, no one opposed.
4. **Principal Update** – (Kate)

* 3rd, 4th and 5th – state testing. 5th grade testing begins next week along with Kindergarten registration. Planning 3 K classes for next year. eSchool was a success. Good energy around yearbook.

1. ***Treasurer’s Report*** (Shannon on behalf of Melissa)

* **Deposits** – interest, Amazon – $62.90, Box Tops – $1,016, Spell-A-Thon $4,588 (not including $88 to be deposited), Bowling Night – profit of ~$275, Movie Night – profit of $312.74, Pure Barre capital fund $885
* **Expenses** – babysitting - $25, end of year event - $185, bus transportation - $565.82, Northeast Passage - $942.05. Feedback shared that the kids loved Northeast Passage. Reminder about Newburyport Checking Account promo for Dondero. Thinking about an art show next year & tie into the bank.

1. ***Update on Activities***
   * **Wizards – (Shannon) -** $2,428.21 for Dondero.
   * ***Pure Barre –(Michele)*** fundraiser held, sponsored by Pure Barre. All donations for the 1- day were targeted to our playground fund. It was very active all day! Final donation for Dondero was $885!
   * ***Bowling Night –*** lots of fun, profit of ~$275.
2. ***What’s Coming Up?***
   * ***Yearbook – (Nikki)*** Finalizing the Thank You page as well as overall final review.
   * ***Dondero Idols (Shannon) –*** going well with donations & sponsors. Ticket sales are going well. Silent auction, food, lollipop raffle for a gift card or beanie baby at $5 per pull. Students & teachers are getting ready for their on-stage performances.
   * ***End of Year Event –*** (June 2nd). Rain date is June 9th. 5:30 – 7:30. – Luau theme. There will be a bounce house, cake walk, limbo, gourmet hot dog meals, and a photo booth. Decision will be made by noon on June 2nd if need to reschedule to rain date.
   * ***Teacher Appreciation –*** June 19th and June 20th will be long days! Teachers will likely stay late on the 19th and come in early and stay until they must leave on the 20th. Discussed bringing in drinks such as seltzer, water & iced tea along with cookies & brownies. Looking for the 20th to be catered. Also considering the Friday before Labor Day – the teachers will return on 8/24 or 8/25. Dates will continue to be discussed thru summer as it’s currently challenging due to renovation plans.
3. ***Other***
   * More information will be coming before Memorial Day regarding before/after school care options and information. Currently working on getting info from PEAK, YMCA and others.
   * Looking at bus schedules for after-school programs, possibly a 4pm late bus.
   * PTA board nominations for 2017-2018:
     + Brooke Sokolnicki for Secretary (carry-over from 2016-2017)
     + Michele Aronne -> nominated for President
     + Melissa Vetter -> nominated for Vice President
     + Jannice Hodges -> nominated for Treasurer
4. **Looking for Help for Next Year**
   * **Fairy House Weekend –** there will be 3 collaborative build areas with different themes. Dondero will be responsible for one build area where kids will add materials to the structure that we will be responsible for building & providing. Talked about making sure we have tree stumps.
   * **Movie Night –**Sarah will train volunteers to run the technical parts of the evening. This is a great opportunity for new families to get involved, help with visuals, etc.
5. ***Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 PM.***

– Next PTA Meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 8th @ 6:30 pm

Submitted by: Brooke Sokolnicki, Dondero PTA Secretary