

DONDERO

November 2022- PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/17/22 **Time:** 6:35

Purpose: This is third the PTA meeting of the 2022/2023 school year

Executive Board Attendees/ Invitees

Name	Present	Contact	Capacity
Alexis Lang	yes	alexis.lang@comcast.net	President
Jana Goldstein	no	janakgoldstein@gmail.com	Vice President
Jannice Hodges	yes	jannicehodges@gmail.com	Treasurer
Jess Harris	yes	Jesseharris451@yahoo.com	Secretary
Kate Callahan	yes	kcallahan@sau52.org	Principal

Agenda

- Welcome and introductions
- Approval of October minutes
- Principal's report
- AIRs Opportunities (artist in residence)
- Yearbook
- New sign proposal
- Book fair- Jan 23rd-27th
- Calendar raffle
- Fall Fest recap
- Dine Out for Dondero
- Spirit wear update
- Square 1 Art update
- Teacher Appreciation
- Election Day bake sale recap
- Questions/ Comments

Welcome and introductions/ Approval of October minutes

- Minutes were approved by Leslie and Alexis

Principal's report: Kate

- Parent teacher conferences were successful with only 6 families not attending.
- Progress reports go out December 19th

- A school safety meeting was held on 11/14 with Captain Cummings and Lieutenant Benson, to inform and receive feedback from the school community. There will possibly be another safety meeting in the spring.
- The lockdown drill on 11/17 was successful. Kate and Lieutenant Benson performed a walk through inspection and found all doors secured, blinds closed and classrooms quiet.
- The school community is gearing up for the holidays with plans to celebrate many different traditions
- November 30th we will have an Indigenous American man speak about indigenous culture in a presentation to the whole school

AIRs: Kate

- The fifth grade reached out to author Josh Funk. His rate is \$1500 for the day
- Author Michelle Nelson Smith is \$1700 for one presentation

Yearbook: Leslie

- We are still in need of a photographer.
- Tree Ring is giving us a 50% discount due to the books arriving late last year

New Sign: Alexis

- We reviewed the proposal and voted unanimously to approve the sign at a cost of \$3370 to be covered by the PTA
- Jess to email Portsmouth Sign Company to move forward

Book Fair: Jannice

- The book fair will be held 1/23-1/27 headed by Jannice and Rachel
- Teachers will submit a list of students that may need financial assistance
- How do we assist students without identifying them
- Can we set up Scholastic e-wallets for those students
- Set up the bookshelves on Friday so students can browse
- Have Monday be a shopping day to give Jannice time to reorder popular books
- Jannice and Rachel to organize a meeting of all book fair volunteers to get on the same page

Calendar Raffle: Jannice

- To be held the weeks of 2/6, 2/13 and 2/20
- Payment needs to be submitted by February 3rd
- All donations need to be submitted by the end of January

Fall Fest recap: Jess and Jannice

- Successful Fall Fest
- PTA profited \$3601.75 from ticket sales and activities
- \$667.50 from Red's Good Vibes will benefit the Teacher Appreciation fund

Dine Out: Jess

- \$106 was raised at Habibi
- The owners of Habibi were thrilled with the turnout and look forward to working with Dondero in the future

- Next event is scheduled for 11/26 at Ohana

Spirit Wear: Alexis on behalf of Sophie

- Almost all backstock was sold at Fall Fest
- Orders taken at Fall Fest are being fulfilled
- Order extra hats and sweatshirts to sell at Fall Fest next year
- All inventory is up to date

Square 1 Art: Jannice

- Orders were due November 16th
- At last check the total was over \$3000
- Orders are being processed and will be shipped directly to homes

Teacher Appreciation: Sarah and Kristen

- Next event, mini pies on 11/21
- Newburyport Savings Bank is providing mugs and Keurig hot cocoa for the December TA event

Bake Sale recap: Alexis

- The bake sale made \$1019
- Baked goods ran out around 3:00
- All leftover honey was sold at the bake sale
- Streamlining pricing did not show a decrease in profit

Submitted by: Jessica Harris