

Dondero PTA – October 20th 2021 Meeting Minutes

Date: October 21st, 2021

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Library/Zoom

Purpose: This is the 1st 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

- Membership and voting review
- Approval of September 2021 Minutes
Principal's Report

Abby Keller

Treasurer's Report

- Mum's Proceeds
- Dine out for Dondero
- Vida 10/20 Recap
 - Dough

Square 1 Art

Teacher Appreciation

Spirit Wear

Parking Spot Raffle

Committees/Coordinators Needed

- Yearbook
- Science Day-3/24/22
- Calendar Raffle-2/7-2/25
- Scholastic Book Fair- 1/24-1/28

Upcoming Events

- Election Day Bake Sale-Cancelled per City Health Staff
- Playground Fundraiser-Night out at Atlantic Grill-11/18
- Wreaths and Poinsettias sale
 - Proposed sale dates 11/4-11/19; pickup 11/29

Fall Fest

Questions/Comments

Next Meeting: December 9th

Email us at donderopta@gmail.com

Discussion

- The meeting was called to order at 6:37pm by PTA President, Alexis Lang.
- Quorum obtained; five out of five members of the Executive Board were present.
- Sept 2021 PTA Minutes were distributed for review. Minutes approved.

Principal Report- Kate Callahan

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- Teachers have been busy with reading and math assessments. K-5 staff has been attending professional development meetings for math work. District wide plan to use data to drive math curriculum. Title 1 literacy and math support is up and running. Literacy support is offered to grades K-3 and math support for grades K-2.
- Student behavior has been a big issue post covid. The impact of excessive screen time and social media has been significant. Staff is working as a team to help with this SEL piece.
- Unified Arts-
 - music room is buzzing with holiday and veteran's day preparation
 - art- studio art is being offered to some students to engage in more independent art making, Adam is bringing kids outdoors for art and nature lessons.
 - Health- Lisa and Brie are working with Heidi
- Afterschool programs- more programs being offered than ever.
- White Pines is visiting Dondero twice a week for guided recesses that tie in with science curriculum.
- Walk to School Day-Kate will connect with Nicole regarding bussing to plan a walk to school day.

Abby Keller

- Music room is on fire! Students are busy preparing for Caroling with Mrs. Keller on 12/3 at the PHS stadium. Families will gather on stands for a performance by both the 4th/5th grade chorus and the PHS band as well as karaoke style caroling. PTA will provide hot cocoa.
- K/1 students are rehearsing for their outdoor "Bundle Up" themed Winter Concert performance on 12/16. 2/3 graders will be performing on 12/17. Both concerts will be at 1:45 outdoors at Dondero.

Treasurer's Report- Jannice Hodges

- Mums profited \$1314! (25 extra mums were delivered and sold at no cost)

Dine out for Dondero- Jess

- Vida did well- still waiting on total.
- Dough is scheduled for 11/4 lunch & dinner
- Decided to skip December and work on scheduling The Shanty, Chipotle, or The Brewery for January. Jana will contact The Shanty and Liz will contact The Brewery.

Square One Art- Jannice Hodges

- 209 pieces of artwork were submitted. Art merchandise will be for sale starting 11/3.

Teacher Appreciation- Sarah Duddy-Vaillancourt

- Each month a different committee member will organize a staff appreciation event. A cheddar up form will be going out to raise money/materials for staff bathroom basket supplies.
- This month the committee provided a grab and go apple with caramel for teachers.

Spirit Wear- Sophie

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- This year we're using a new vendor Rocky Coast in Dover. Next order will include vests, winter hats, black gym shorts, cinch sack bags, zippy hoodies in adult and youth, and tee shirts. Orders take 14 days. Sophie will request samples before we place order. Kids will vote on a winter hat style to tie into election day.

Parking Spot Raffle

- \$25 a ticket. Proceeds will go towards e-school.

Committees/Coordinators Needed

- Yearbook- Leslie Suderi has volunteered to chair. Need committee members.
- Science Day- 3/24- Need chair and committee members. Huge project with a \$3,500 budget.
- Calendar Raffle- 2/7-2/25- sign up genius to go out requesting gift cards and prizes.
- Book Fair 1/24-1/28- Need chair and committee.

Fall Fest- Leslie Scuderi

- Power strips and glue guns needed. Pumpkin painting, bean bag toss, and stem stations need more volunteers.

Upcoming Events

- 11/18 Playground Fundraiser at Atlantic Grille. Outdoor event being organized by Amber Buttermore and playground committee. Need to raise \$10K to redo tunnel and eventually monies for additional equipment.
- Wreath & Poinsettias Sale- 11/4-11/19 sale. 11/29 pick up date.
- Leslie suggested a possible Comedy Night at Roundabout Diner for a spring event.
- PTA needs to approve bi-laws in Feb.

Next Meeting: December 9th hybrid model in library with option to zoom in. Cancelled November meeting and combined with December.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20.

Submitted by: Sarah Lynch, Dondero PTA Secretary