

DMS PTO Meeting

October 20, 2021

Virtual Zoom Meeting, 7 PM

**Attendees:**

Tiffany Marr, Teresa Lenehan, Adi Kumbagiri, Amy Starnes, Dana Jackson, Ginger Kockentiet, Jonathan Zamora, Melanie Gamez, Melinda Norfleet, Tisha Rinker, Monique Jackson, Sarah Smith, Nicole Mays, Jill Nagy-Reynolds

Dr. Jaime Stewart and Mr. Jason Snyder were not available to attend the PTO meeting tonight as they were attending the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) ceremony.

Meeting called to order at 7 PM. Tiffany welcomed all attendees and reviewed the agenda with everyone.

**President's Update – Tiffany Marr**

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee has been formed. The first meeting will be held in November. Please reach out to PTO if you are interested in joining.

“Give Back Week” will be held November 1-5. Jennifer Tally is the lead and will be sending out a sign up genius for donations. There will be 3 families from the Welcome Warehouse that will be supported.

October PTO President's Meeting was held recently and went well.

**Vice President's Update – Sarah Smith**

The PTO raised a total of \$17,045 during the “Better Together” fundraiser. The updated budget presented by Jill will reflect the fundraiser totals. Thank you to all who donated and helped with the Fundraiser!

DMS will host the 6<sup>th</sup> grade dance club on February 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.

The school store has shown to be very popular with the students. It is currently open on Wednesdays during lunch.

**Secretary's Update – Teresa Lenehan**

September PTO meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. The minutes have been posted to the David PTO blog. Please note – there is a correction to the September meeting minutes. Both Sarah Smith and Melinda Norfleet will be acting Co-Presidents next school year. No further updates.

**Treasurer's Update – Jill Nagy-Reynolds**

The proposed budget was shared. Due to lower than hoped fundraising during the fall fundraiser, contributions to many programs had to be reduced. The only programs that were not reduced included scholarships and teacher grants.

The current proposed expenditures for the school year is \$32,794. This includes – among other things - \$1,000 for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade /Irish Way Celebration, \$7,500 for Athletics, \$1,750 for Performing Arts and Related Arts Support, \$5,000 for academic/classroom grants, and \$4,000 for student scholarships.

The budget was approved in its current state with the hopes that further fundraising later in the year can increase PTO funding of more programs. Budget approved – Melinda Norfleet 1<sup>st</sup>, Sarah Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The PTO is discussing the possibility of another fundraiser later this school year.

### **Committee Updates**

#### **Amy Starnes**

The Fall Fest is scheduled for 10/21/21 and will be held as long as the weather holds up. There are plans in the works of what to do if there is inclement weather. Student Council creates all of the activities for the Fall Fest and the Davis PTO is responsible for concessions. Thanks to all who have volunteered to work the concession stand for the Fall Fest.

Academic Boosters – There is discussion with Dr. Stewart to have academic signs available every 9 weeks (each quarter).

#### **Tisha Rinker**

P.E.R.C update – Presentation held today “Raising Mentally Healthy Kids”. Next presentation, “Predatory Grooming”, will be held on 11/16/21. If you have suggestions for advertising/reaching people to attend the P.E.R.C. presentations – please contact Tisha at [tisha929@yahoo.com](mailto:tisha929@yahoo.com). Next P.E.R.C. meeting will be held on 11/17/21.

#### **Melanie Gamez**

Spirit wear ordering information is coming soon. All spirit wear will be ordered online. The design for this year is gray with green lettering.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Our next meeting will be held on January 26, 2022 at 7:00 PM. A link will be sent out to all parents from Davis Middle School on the day of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Teresa Lenehan, Secretary, Davis Middle School PTO

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