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DMCS PTO Meeting Agenda

Dixon Montessori Charter School (DMCS) Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO)
Tuesday February 11th, 2014 6:30 PM
DMCS Campus Room 5 (library)

Members Present: Kim Scott, *treasurer*, Rebecca Valentino, *secretary*, Kelly Kosiewicz *fundraising*, Lynnsie Bratton, *parent/class rep.*, JoAnn Pereira, *Box Tops*, Jeff Poteet, *parent/Scrip*, Mark Hesling, *Art*, Angele Boudreaux, *Parent*, Nikki Davis, *parent*, Loraine Covello, *Garden*, Missy Ballance, *parent*, Donny Everhart, *Chair*.

1. Welcome/Call To Order: 6:40
2. Adopt Agenda and additions: Added PTO bulletin board to the agenda
2. Officer Report (Chair, Co-Chair or Secretary as needed) Donny Everhart, Guadalupe Medina or Rebecca Valentino
Rebecca reported that she followed up on the Scrip coordinator problems we have been having and has found the way to change the old Safeway scrip coordinator to someone new and passed on the information to Ms. Joanne. Rebecca is also currently the defacto coordinator for the Great Lakes Scrip program that we were doing 2 years ago.
3. Treasurer's Report: Kim Scott, Kim reported that the projectors were purchased with @ \$12.00 to spare from the \$1825.00 we granted to the purchase. The HDMI cables have not been purchased yet. Donny handed Kim \$249.72 in \$ earned from the Papa Murphy's Pizza fundraisers. Kim asked about how long to "reserve" purchase requests. Ms. Shari requested funds to purchase recorders and they have not been purchased yet.
4. New Business
 - a. Teacher Requests: there we no new teacher requests
 - b. Bulletin board: Donny has volunteered Tonyah to redo the PTO bulletin board. We discussed that the publicity committee might keep it up...
 - c. Lisa Perchaz has asked to step down as the publicity chair. Missy Ballance and Angele Boudreaux have volunteered to share the position. They will create a new email account for this joint venture.

Missy will be invited to be a moderator on the facebook account so that we can generate more feed to our PTO community online!

5. Old Business

- a. Projector Purchase: As stated above the 4 projectors have been purchased, the PTO voted to supplement an additional \$40.00 to purchase HDMI cables to ensure there is enough money to cover what Krista feels is needed. We request that Ms. Krista make the purchase and turn in the receipt for reimbursement.
- b. Purchase of Supplemental language Curriculum 2/3 grades: We are not sure where 2/3's are with this process. Donny will check
- c. Request for Ipad screen replacement: This request from last month is still tabled. The PTO would like Ms. Krista Purdom to assess the IPAD owned by the school and then re apply for this request should the she feel it is still relevant technology and worth the investment.
- d. Traffic Safety Update: We had a lengthy brainstorm regarding where traffic is an issue and what needs to be done
 - i. Jennifer Moody checked with someone she thought to be on the city traffic committee. Jennifer's contact was not on the committee, however, Donny will pursue this further. The request would be to put a blinking crosswalk at C and N. Almond, which is also at the cross through to the Middle School.
 - ii. Donny mentioned that he talked with the Police Chief, and Dixon PD has made an effort to increase patrol on N. Almond.
 - iii. Missy mentioned that at her old school the CHP came in and did a traffic assessment for the school to help with similar safety and traffic flow issues. Nikki Davis' husband is a CHP officer and she will ask him about this.
 - iv. Kelly said that when Linda Delgado was still here a small committee had worked out a new traffic flow with the intent on repainting. Kelly will look to see if she can find them
 - v. We touched on the fact that MAJOR traffic flow changes may be better implemented at the beginning of the next school year...
- e. Dragonfly Dinner: Angele Boudreaux was at the last meeting. She informed us that the big thing is that there will be less items for auction this year. Kelly expressed that it is getting more and more difficult each year to get donations.

6. Chair reports

- a. Spirit Chair: Maggie Vieira: Maggie was not able to attend the PTO meeting.
 - 1. Spirit Day: The Lego Night event was very well attended.
 - 2. Spirit Events

- b. Academic Enrichment: Heather Stokes
 - 1. Art: Mark Hesling: There is/was an Art After School event on Wednesday February 12th.
 - 2. Science: Rwanie Kraak
 - 3. Music
 - 4. Physical Education: Beth Ockenden
 - 5. Technology
 - 6. Library: Jessica Hansen: Scholastic money has been used to purchase 50 shelf markers and bookends for the library. Parent volunteers are still needed in the morning hours to assist in the library.

- c. Site Beautification Committee
 - 1. Garden: Loraine Covello: A Solano Slow Food grant of \$250 was given to the garden! Loraine still has not heard regarding the other grant proposal she wrote. The bulb sales have begun and will end at the end of the month. It is our hope that we can earn enough money for the decomposed granite and wouldn't it be great if there was enough to make more garden boxes as well?
 - 2. Loraine is looking for individuals would like to help plan an event in the garden such as a Tea Party, or any kind of fun event attractive to students.

- d. Publicity Committee—Lisa Perchaz: As per above, our new Publicity Committee chairs will be Missy Ballance and Angele Boudreaux. Please take the time to thank Lisa for her service on the PTO committee.

- e. Review Committee: There is no chair for this committee, however PTO elections for the next year should happen at the end of March/Beginning of April. Forms from last year are available if you think you can volunteer for this position please contact myself, Donny Everhart or Guadalupe Medina

- f. Volunteer Committee: Donny Everhart

- g. Fundraising Chair: Kelly Kosiewicz
1. Boxtops and Labels: JoAnn Pereira: box tops are due on February 14th. There will be a box top sorting party on Friday Feb. 21st at 6:30 pm at the Starbucks in Dixon!
 2. Scrip: Jeff Poteet: See Above, Rebecca will forward the email she sent to Ms. Joanne to Jeff. The office will have to work with him on this. Jeff has Nugget Scrip cards for Nugget shoppers!
 3. Papa Murphy's: We have seen an increase in profits since the sticker campaign started. Donny will check to see if we have enough stickers.
 4. Current fundraising event: Bulb Sales. Bulb Sales are due at the end of the month!
 5. Spring T-shirt Sales. We typically sell shirts again at this time. We talked about the new companies that allow you to purchase anytime online and what the cost is. No definitive answer was made regarding this.
 6. Kelly was given some fundraising information for a company Called Schoola that "recycles" and resells clothing items. Schools can earn 40% profit from resale. We asked Kelly to find out more about the program: What are considered good brands, what do they resell the items for, what happens if items don't sell...etc. So that we can get a sense of the program and how profitable it really is...
 7. We talked about e-waste recycling as a fundraiser.
 8. We actually won't know about Fireworks until just before the April meeting.

7. Confirm Next Meeting Date: Tuesday March 11th, 2014 6:30 pm

8. Adjournment 8:30 pm