



“Where parents and teachers work in unity to serve the best interest of our children”

DMCS PTO Meeting Minutes

Dixon Montessori Charter School – Parent Teacher Organization

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 @ 6:30pm

Meeting began 6:31pm

Meeting Norms

- Honor each other’s time
- Put aside other work, phones, etc.
- Interact Professionally and Respectfully
- Approach all challenges with a problem solving mindset
- If you bring up a problem, please also offer a solution

Attendance: Michelle Salow, Kelli Fuller, Christina Peacock, Martha Waren, Susan Van Tuyl, Jennifer Collins, Alli Hietbrink, Kelly Winchester, Tammy Andrews, Shaina Waller, Erika Alatorre, Kaytlyn West, Jackey Bellerive, Amanda Dannenberg, Courtney Hennigan, Lexie Padilla, Jezabel Corona

- Approve and Adopt October meeting minutes** - motion to approve by Jen C, second by Christina P. All present were in favor
- Adopt Agenda and Additions** - add e-waste for good. Motion to approve by Tammy, second by Alli. All present were in favor
- Officer Reports:**
 - President – Michelle Salow
 - DMCS Board Meeting Recap - 11/12/19. 8th grade robotics demonstration by Mr. Cameron and students. Students are split into 9 groups of 3. Focuses on teamwork and collaboration. 25 students in 5th grade band, 23 students in advanced band. Benchmarking to be done 2 week prior to conferences. All positions full, 433 student count. 154 parents took the survey during conferences. Next board meeting 12/10. Charter Advisory meeting 12/3.
 - Co-President – Ms. Angie, not present
 - Vice President – Shaina Waller - in need of crossing guards and curb greeters. Especially on rainy days to help kids from stepping in puddles
 - ELAC President – Patty Guizar, not present, meeting for November has been postponed
 - Secretary – not present. Miranda resigned prior to the meeting.
- Treasurer’s Report**
 - Tammy Andrews - November report will be finalized by the December meeting.
 - Fund Reimbursement / Teacher Requests –

Ms. Jamie, percussion blocks set estimated at \$167 including tax (on Amazon) to be used for winter sing and regularly in class. Tammy made a motion to approve up to \$175 out of Academic Enrichment. Jen C. seconded the motion, all present were in favor.

Ms B has an additional \$48.76 for taxes/fees for the October request. Jen C made a motion to approve from Academic Enrichment. Alli seconded the motion, all present were in favor.

All Staff, laminator for staff lounge. To get quotes and present at the next meeting

New Business

- Toiletry Drive 11/20-12/12, family community service project
- Dragonfly – committee to solicit donations, contact Alli if interested in helping
- Ewaste4good date to be set for January 2020 (Rebecca Valentino, not present).

Chair/Sub-Committee Reports

Fundraising, Kelli Fuller

- Box Tops - Tammy Andrews – 3,700 turned in. We are behind where we should be, due to the electronic box tops. Advertise more in FB with tutorial to try to get parents on board with using the app
- Spirit Wear – we have medium youth short-sleeve t's and S-XL youth long-sleeve
- Barn & Pantry and Spa Central gift card “script” incentive
- Baskin Robbins family ice cream night – 11/20 from 6-9pm (\$40 last month; \$48 Kona Ice; \$98.42 Cenarios)
 - We will plan January – May dates in early December

Academic Enrichment. Jorjet Potier, not present

Volunteer. Christina Peacock – Please contact Christina if you need volunteers and she can help coordinate or create the sign-up genius. Issue with crossing guard/parent needs to be addressed by admin.

Fall Festival. Stefanie Switzer – positive feedback. est 300 attendees, 10 teacher booth, each made \$100+ for their classroom. Shaina will get with Stef to complete the post-event eval form.

Site Beautification. Charlie Baumbach – not present. Discuss putting down bark over the mud near the 2-3 and 4-5 sidewalks

Can we plan a few Saturdays to start cleaning out the storage containers next to the garden. Mr Ernest has contact info to haul the junk. Once empty, one will be used for storage and the other will be converted into a library/ reading room.

K/1 teachers would like us to paint 10 block squares on the playground 1-120.

Recycling. Jenna – we are looking for a new recycling chair or co-chair to train under Ms. Jenna. Erika is working on a flyer to post.

Garden. Alli Hietbrink – no update

Review Committee. Jen Collins – working on after winter break.

Scholastic Book Fair/Fall: Ashley Hargrove (Angele) – able to fulfill the teacher request bins.

Publicity/Tech. Erika Alatorre-Erika will be out until the end of December. Christina/ Michelle to update the front letter board. She is available via email. She encourages chairs to use their DMCS email address.

Spirit/Social. Elba Contreras (Nayely, co-chair)

Uniform exchange, Lost & Found – Margarita

Vote where we are donating the clothes to - to a non-profit that give the clothes rather than sells them

Winter Sing - Make & Take ornament craft, cider sold by 5th grade camp, food sales % will go to DC, possible truck & trailer hay rides, photos with Frosty, 12/12 and 12/19. Performance to begin at 6:30. Event runs 5:30-8.

- Other Business** – Jezabel will bring the 2020 graduating seniors that attended 8th grade at DMCS in late May to parade around campus. Request max of \$150 for Leis, sashes, etc. We will work on additional details. There will be about 30 students participating
 - Next ELAC meeting date is pending.
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Next PTO meeting to be held on December 18, 2019 at 6:30pm in the MPR

Meeting adjourned 7:35pm
