

Dennison General PTA meeting

Date: October 19, 2018 8:50 a.m.

Call to Order: Ariaahn Knoedler

Welcome By: Ariaahn Knoedler

Introductions: 13 People in Attendance--Names/Children/Grades

Approval of 9/21 Minutes: Not completed, to be corrected by next meeting 11/9

President's Report:

- Teacher Conference dinners were provided, one evening by donation from Dick's BBQ, the other by PTA and was pizza
- Discussion regarding future conferences determined that we may need to have a volunteer sign-up for "side" dishes in the future and only provide the main courses from PTA
- Emergency Classroom Buckets are complete! Thanks to Dennison Girl Scout Troop 65456 and leader, Lori Gradwohl for completing.
- It was proposed by D'Evelyn that we try to better our communication and publications between Dennison and D'Evelyn in the future. We will work to include both email, Facebook, and other social media sources to improve.
- Need more of a "buy in" for families to participate in PTA. Proposed having parents give "testimonials" of their experiences with clubs, volunteering, etc.

Principal's Report: Assistant Principal, Sherry Odegard

- New marquee approved last year should arrive within 4-6 weeks
- Sherry will be taking on the task of Dennison website construction/communication/updates and any info we wish to be added to the websites banner should be emailed to sodegard@jeffcok12.co.us
- Discussion and some clarification about all school e-blasts was had but definitive directive is not available at this time

Treasurer's Report:

- Negative net income on P&L is due to the Lakeside check for previous years cashed in the 2018-2019 fiscal year.
- Money earmarked last year for school marquee was given to Ms. Yoder
- It was decided we move \$100,000 into the PTA's money market account
- We were instructed by chair of yearbook committee to NOT pay any incoming invoices

Reports by Committees:

- Rough estimates from Run for Funds event are projected at \$63,000 before expenses.

- Volunteer Coordinator Position will remain under the duty of PTA Vice President. A sub-chair could be helpful.
- Reflections Chair, Anna Kaye reported that next year she intends to “ramp up” the theme by the end of the current school year so that students will have an opportunity to create over their summer break. The competition is in need of more student buy-in and motivation. Possible ideas to aide in this motivation such as homework passes, movie treats, popcorn parties, etc. were discussed. She is in need of more volunteers for Reflections display/awards night.
- Yearbook Chair would like to host an art contest next year for both the cover of the yearbook. The back cover will be a compilation of the winners from each grade.

New Business:

- Daybreak for Dads was a huge success and coordinated by Jennifer Hagen and Stephanie Cathers
- Michelle Montoya would like to re-institute the long-held tradition of 3rd Grade gingerbread house making close to winter break. She needs to either collect money from student/parents and possibly have additional funds from PTA. We asked that she submit a proposal using our new system and request form.

Motion to Adjourn by member

Meeting Adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Next Meeting is Friday, November 9, 2018 at 8:50 a.m.