

Dothan Brook School PTO

Meeting Minutes

- Meeting Date & Location:** March 10, 2016 at DBS Library
- Attendees:** Rick Dustin-Eichler, Amber Nielson, Marty Irvine, Jodie Davi, Tessa Johnson, Kelly French, Jen Krom, Heidi St. Peter, Shevie Brooks, Katie Ouelette
- Teacher Representatives:**
- Guest Speaker:** Bill Yates: Infinite Campus
- Next Meeting:** March 11, 6:00-7:00 p.m. @ DBS Library
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Parent Workshop: Infinite Campus

1. Welcome, Introductions: Meeting was called to order by PTO President, Shevie Brooks at 6:00 p.m.
2. Approval of February Meeting minutes: will be available online ASAP
3. Treasurer Report: This year, money spent is about equal to money raised so far this school year. BoxTops \$780 from fall submission; Hockey Concession check is expected about 4-6 weeks after; PTO received about \$120 in tips from those 2 concessions.
4. Upcoming events
 - DBS Spelling Bee: 3/11 @ 1:15, 19 participants out of 40 try outs
 - Empty Bowl: 3/22, Assignments have gone out via email.
 - Film Screening: Most Likely to Succeed, March 13th, 4 pm @ Crossroads: Hartford High School Teaching Staff will be screening it later this month.
 - Pre-K playground update: 2 pieces for \$7000 and due to the size of the equipment DBS can manage the install: 5-6 weeks for delivery. Maintenance crew will manage site work. Likely ready for use this summer. Additional PTO funds (BoxTops have already been donated) are not needed for this project unless we would like to purchase the digger for \$850.
5. New Business
 - Spring Fundraiser: Yankee Candle: 3/11-3/25
 - Plant Fundraiser Henderson's Tree and Garden: Local fundraising option will be coordinated at the same time as Yankee Candle and pick up day will be 4/30. DBS PTO would earn the money from our school's pre-sales and then we would all evenly split the proceeds from the pick-up day with WRS and OQS.
 - Spirit Wear (Nichole Viellieux and Heidi St. Peter): Narrow down some catalog options; use DBS logo; selling in April.
 - Yard Sale: May 14th (advertise on the ListServes, FB, PTO mailing) kick-off Spring Book Fair on May 14 (Bookfair will run May 14 & 16-20)
 - May Workshop: Ross McGee, District Math Coach: TOPIC: Math Games for parents/student (fun ways to practice math over the summer). Future topic suggestions: Typing club; internet use in school
 - NOTICE: NO April Meeting; NEXT MEETING May 12, 2016: DBS Library

- PTO Board Position Vacancies: VP position is open. Jen Krom stayed on for 2015-16 to assist with the transition to new board members. The goal was 1 year to “stagger” the open positions. PTO will “advertise” and vote in May meeting.
 - Teacher Appreciation Week: May 2-6: Marty & Tessa will coordinate this effort. Marty will shop and submit receipts and organize sign-ups. Volunteers will be needed.
 - Labels for Education will be discontinued. Tessa will submit last and final order.
6. News from Rick:
- DBS Basketball night: sold about 40 tickets. If we are invited next year, we will specify an area to sit together and wear orange.
 - Rebecca Lallier; RAMP award recipient
 - Announcements: Nelson Fogg, new HHS Principal, Tristan Upson, new HMMS Principal
 - Walk & Ride Coordinator: Volunteer Coordinator needed. Start day: 4/28
 - Whaleback Ski Program was a success despite the weather. Rick was approached to do a similar program with skating at Barwood Arena.
 - Reviewed Principal’s Fund (recent school year expenses and upcoming anticipated expenses)
7. Parent Workshop: Infinite Campus, Bill Yates. If you have not yet signed up for the Parent Portal, please contact DBS office to obtain your unique passcode and instructions.
8. Meeting adjourned 6:56 p.m.
9. Meeting minutes submitted by Katie Ouelette