

# Black Diamond PTO General Membership Meeting January 26, 2021

Via Zoom

## <u>Agenda</u>

Welcome! Please sign in using the chat feature.

Minutes from November 2020 Meeting - <a href="https://132a9a55-7798-87be-0572-656f47e3e1a1.filesusr.com/ugd/3713c1\_016181cc757d479082a4af30e10af2a5.pdf">https://132a9a55-7798-87be-0572-656f47e3e1a1.filesusr.com/ugd/3713c1\_016181cc757d479082a4af30e10af2a5.pdf</a>

#### School has re-opened in the hybrid model!!

- Teachers/staff: What can the PTO do to support you??
  - Sara Davis is the only staff on
    - Kids are wearing their masks better than expected. It's hard to give space because she is so excited to have them back. Her class has windowed shields around each students desk. Keeps two windows open in the room. It is a judging act to keep the A/B groups on the same schedule but it's a treat to be with such small groups!
    - She appreciated putting the Amazon wishlists on the website. A little worried about keeping up with snacks, since they now have two snack times due to the lack of breaks.
    - Misses having volunteers in the room, but is trying to use technology to keep people involved. She Zoom'ed a class birthday and that was really fun.
    - Noticed that kids seem to have an easier time with the masks than the gators.

## Staff Appreciation (\$500 budgeted)

- Mocha Motion out in September
- Poinsettias given to all staff in December
- Upcoming: Masks and Emergen-c packets

Vote to increase budget by \$500 for the remainder of the year.

Unanimous Yes vote

## Student/Community Events (\$250 budgeted)

- Holiday drive by in December: Gave out 250 treat bags. Thank you to Melynda O'Brien for donating hot cocoa packets!
  - o Thank you O'Brien Family!

## Distance learning/Hybrid support (\$500 budgeted)

- Would families prefer:
- 1) an exotic animal encounter (reptile man/Australian animals) via Zoom
  - a) We have reached out and are waiting to hear back
- 2) a hands on STEM type of activity (making something) via Zoom
  - a) maybe STEAMBoat Studios
- 3) a cooking class via Zoom
  - a) Items that you usually have at home

Carrie & Mo think kids would like something hands on like the STEAM activity or cooking

## **Budget update: Lindsay Porter**

Dec:

Thank you Mrs. Coonradts dad who has donated \$1000 over the last few months.

Kroger \$126

Someone who works for US Bank keeps sending \$150 every few months – Thank you giving fairy!

Jan:

\$500 Yearbook deposit

\$100 Teacher Allowance

Spending balance \$7011.21

Savings \$1000.10

Raised \$5709 this year! This is amazing since we have been entirely remote!

We still have a lot to go out for teacher allowances and other budgeted items

# Yearbook update: Mo Tuttle

Still need volunteers

- O Mainly need volunteers to help decide on content, edit text, be fun and willing to pitch in!
- You can now buy books and submit photos no through March 8 at <a href="https://commpe.pictavo.com">https://commpe.pictavo.com</a>. See info at <a href="https://www.blackdiamondpto.com/yearbook">https://www.blackdiamondpto.com/yearbook</a>
- O Books are \$16 for book only, \$19 for book with student name on front, \$5 for 1/8 page message. Message can be submitted later after purchase so you don't need to know what you want to say now. Photos can be included in your message!
- Book and message orders (number of message spaces is limited) are open until March 8.
- O Parents and teachers can submit photos directly to be reviewed by the yearbook committee at the links above. This is a great chance for us to see what you are doing at home and in school. Please send any photos of your kids doing school work or related activities, interacting with peers, in the community, showing us what you do outside of school, etc.
- Teachers, please take pictures. You can use your phones and upload right to the yearbook website!!

Open forum: Comments, questions, concerns

None

REMINDER: Teachers have \$100 reimbursements available, please submit

Next meeting: March 9, 2021

#### Members in attendance

**Melanie Harrington** 

**Ashley Giles** 

**Angela Evans** 

**Carrie Staloch** 

**Cheri Flatness** 

**Lindsay Porter** 

Sam Luce

Sara Davis

**Mo Tuttle**