

Delran Middle and High School PTA
Executive Board Meeting
April 12, 2022
Delran High School Media Center & Zoom

1. Rebecca Whitmeyer called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
2. Attendance was taken. The following **21** people attended:

Rebecca Whitmeyer
Jeanette Marshall
Jen Pifani
Paula Nunes
Jenn Berkoff
Rochelle Samara

Tara Porreca
Shannon Stanuikynas
Mike McHale
Bernadette Lee
Kim O'Connor

Jackie Cook
Erica DeMichele
Dan Finkel
Andrea Dunlap
Laura Shields

On Zoom:

Michelle Reissman
Jen Mackell

Eileen Wachter
Tami Detrick

Beverly's iPhone

3. **President's Report** - Rebecca Whitmeyer - None
4. **Treasurer's Report** - Jackie Cook
 - a. Beginning Balance as of 3/1/22 is \$45,499.28. Total Deposits \$63,565.32, Total Withdrawals \$8,890.62, Interest \$0.00. Ending Balance as of 3/31/22 is \$100,173.98.
5. **Vice President's Report** - Jenn Hamlet - None
6. **Corresponding Secretary's Report** - Jeannette Marshall
 - a. Thank you for your support for the Science Fair from
7. **Recording Secretary's Report** - Tara Porreca
 - a. Please sign the Sign Up sheet. If your name is not listed on the zoom, please use the Chat option at the top of the screen to let us know your name.
 - b. The minutes from our March 2022 meeting are posted on our website. There being no changes or corrections, the minutes stand as presented.
8. **Principals' Reports**
 - a. **Delran Middle School** - Mr. McHale
 - i. Night of Excellence was very well attended. Thank you for coming out.
 - ii. First dance was a huge success. Over 300 kids attended and had a lot of fun.
 - iii. Field trips are underway.
 - iv. Diversity Club is having a Ukrainian event after school this Thursday.
 - v. Friday is the last day to purchase yearbooks. There are not a lot of extras, so please buy in advance.
 - vi. Green Team has community clean-up on 4/28 and green day on 4/29.

- vii. Musical will be the last weekend of April/first weekend of May.
 - viii. Report cards and 8th grade letters were sent home today (information about all 8th grade upcoming events).
 - ix. May 9-13 NJSLA testing will occur
 - x. End of May there will be band and chorus concerts.
- b. **Delran High School** - Mr. Finkel
- i. Tomorrow is Autism speaker assembly.
 - ii. This Thursday is our first annual Color Run. Diversity Club will be present to talk about Holy and the origins of color runs.
 - iii. Quill and Scroll ceremony is after break.
 - iv. May 14 is Freshman/Sophomore formal. Mr. Delran will be week before.
 - v. Report cards, honor roll letters, course selection letters, attendance letters have all been sent home.
- c. **Guest Speaker** - Erica DeMichele - K-12 Supervisor of Science, Technology, Engineering, Sustainability and Co-STEM
- i. Delran did a food waste audit in the fall. Students were then educated about the life of a strawberry and wrote essays about the life of fruit. Thank you to the PTA for donating prizes.
 - ii. Students were surveyed and strongly agree with recycling but did have questions about how to do so properly.
 - iii. We received funding to purchase an EcoRich food composter which will compost food waste into soil within 24 hours. Teachers are beginning to educate students about this process and upcoming hands-on ways to use the soil created. Nutriserve is reflecting on their practices and making changes with student voice to ultimately throw away less.
 - iv. DMS Food Waste Education Week April 25-29.

9. **Committee Reports**

- a. Reflections - Kim O'Connor - We had 5 state winners (2 at DHS and 3 at DMS). 2 students have moved onto Nationals. 2022/2023 theme is Show Your Voice. Students will be honored at the May Board of Ed meeting.
- b. Egg Your Yard - Becky Whitmeyer - 113 houses will receive deliveries this Saturday night. Still need two more drivers.
- c. Graduation Signs - Paula Nunes & Nicole Wambold - Pick-up will be 5/10 at PTA Bingo Night (6:30 in the cafeteria).
- d. Senior Stars - Shannon Stanuikynas & Jeannette Marshall - Still collecting and still for sale. They are due by 6/1, but sooner is better to hang in the hall. Link to purchase is on our website.

- e. Project Graduation - Shannon Stanuikynas - Minute to Win It/Funny Money meeting tomorrow night. Waiting to hear back from food committee and Circus Time. Pictures needed by 6/1 to enhance the senior slide show (email was sent to all senior parents). We do need volunteers for GBE on the day of the event and are dependent on senior parents/students for this.

10. Old Business

- a. GBE - Jen Berkoff & Rishaee Fiorini - Huge success. Made just over \$59,000. Thank you to everyone for all of their support and help. This money supports project graduation as well as events for all grades. We look forward to next year's GBE on 4/22/23.

11. New Business

- a. May PTA Meeting - General Membership Bingo, there will be no zoom option

12. Important Dates

4/14 - 4/22 - Spring Break

4/16 - Egg Your Yard delivery

4/28 - 5/1 - DIS/DMS Musical

5/10 - PTA Meeting, Bingo and Graduation Sign Pickup

5/11 - 5/15 - DMS Bear Hunt

5/14 - Freshman/Sophomore Formal

5/16 - Delran STEM Night at DHS

- 13. Becky Whitmeyer adjourned the meeting at 7:44 pm