

Dr. A.T Leatherbarrow
Home and School Association
Meeting Minutes- December 1st, 2015

Attendees

Shawn Price (President)

Emily Dee (Vice President)

Natalie Makenzie (Treasurer)

Stacy Barrett (Secretary)

Lisa Jardine (Principal)

Nancy Peters (Teacher's Rep)

Dorothy Price

Krista Webb

Regrets: Nicole Richardson

- **Call to order**

Shawn called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

The meeting minutes from November 3rd, 2015 were approved.

Meeting minutes can be posted on the website by Lisa Jardine following email approval.

- **Treasurer's Report**

The current balance stands at \$10 317.41. The balance does not reflect the upcoming debits for the coffee/knit wits fundraising costs.

- **President's Report**

Shawn pointed out that there was an error in the coffee order profit margin based on incorrect original cost quotations from the producer. Thus, decreasing the profit from coffee sales from approximately \$1500 to \$900. However, both fundraisers were received very well and people seemed very pleased with the products. The profits from both fundraisers after the coffee profit margin error and shipping costs for Knit Wits were estimated to be around \$2000. In addition,

the DATL Home and School provided the teachers with their meal at the Parent Teacher evening meeting held in November.

- **Principal's Report**

Lisa reported that staff from the District will install the benches in the Gazebo.

Lisa discussed that the preferred seating/parking fundraiser for the DATL Christmas concert would be advertised in the newsletter. 2 Families for each concert with seating for up to ten members.

Lisa approached the Home and School as to whether there was still interest in helping out some DATL families that were identified to be in need for the holidays. The school staff provide for three. As such Home and School offered to match the support. Stacy motioned to support 3 families (ranging in size from three to six members) with food over the holidays. Krista seconded the motion with a budget of approximately \$200. per family hoping to provide Christmas dinner, breakfast, and snacks. The motion was clarified by Shawn to approve for a maximum budget of \$700. The Home and School would provide food to three needy DATL families that would be purchased and delivered to DATL for distribution by Lisa Jardine on December 17th. The motion was seconded by Emily. It passed unanimously.

Lisa reported that the float committee was to meet that Saturday and had up to \$100. From the Home and School to spend on float supplies if needed.

Lisa also reported the purchase of iPads for the school and the acquisition of a new smartboard and FM system for a classroom. A grant was partially used to purchase these items, however there may be a deficit in funding.

- **Teacher's Requests**

None at this time

- **Old Business**

Preferred seating at the Christmas Concert and the fundraisers were previously discussed.

A movie card fundraiser that was proposed a few meetings ago was rejected as the costs of the tickets for fundraising are greater than movie/snack combo tickets readily available elsewhere.

- **New Business**

- ❖ Due to ongoing school funding cutbacks at the district, a mentoring program with the high school would have been halted due to lack of transportation of students. As a result, the school has decided to start fundraising for their portion of transportation costs by having movie afternoons starting with two Tuesday afternoons in December (Dec 1st and 8th). DATL purchased a license to show the movies, purchased and provided healthy snacks, and teachers and staff volunteered their time for the event. The first movie afternoon was a great success with over 95 students participating. To offset the license and snack costs, Shawn motioned that the DATL Home and School would cover the cost of the snacks up to \$100.per show. The motion was 2nd by Nancy. It was passed unanimously. This would help maximize the profit for fundraising and support the program.

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- ❖ Shawn discussed a potential new fundraiser with Kredl's/Dave Wolpin food box drives. As noted, fundraisers are abundant in the community. This fundraiser would offer a consumable, healthy, local product with the potential for a good profit for the Home and School for items that many families are purchasing anyway. Orders would go in for this seasonal box of vegetables and fruits on Monday and be available for pick up on Wednesday. At this point it was decided not to undertake any more fundraisers until the new year.

Action Item: Revisit the Kredl's produce pack fundraiser in the New Year

- ❖ Another fundraiser was discussed with Value Village. The idea would be that families/parents could do a big purge or decluttering at home and donate their items to the DATL Home and School to send to Value Village which would pay a fee per bag.

Action Item: Shawn to get more details on the specifics of the fundraiser and perhaps arrange for information to be sent out to families to coincide with a Spring Cleaning

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday January 5th, 2016 at 6:30pm- All are welcome to attend

