

**PTA All Parent Meeting** Tuesday, Sept 12, 2023, 7 p.m. DTS Library

## Attendees: 18 in person

- I. Principal Update Principal Greg Grylls
  - a. Reviewed the DTS vison and mission as well as a review of the top 5 items families listed as what we were looking for in our next leader.
  - b. Introduced himself, Associate Principal Kristen Kennedy Anderson, and the new staff members. Reviewed the teachers assigned to each grade.
  - c. Summer School was successful with 84 students attending; about 60 students per day.
  - d. Reviewed the attendance policy and the check-in, check-out policy. This will also go out in the Falcon File.
  - e. After School Programming Still waiting for this to begin. As mentioned in the Falcon File, the programming will take place one day each week.
  - f. Discussed enhanced access to fresh fruits and vegetables options, which includes a Food Rescue Program, Pick a Better Snack, and Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program. For 9 months (school year) the cost is \$12,600, which equals about \$70/day. Through some grants and donations, half of that can be covered. The other \$6,300 (about \$700/month) would need to come from the DTS community, business sponsorships, etc. PTA is starting a committee to talk about funding for this; families can also talk to Greg with feedback. Let PTA know if you want to be on the committee.

## II. President Update

- a. Bylaws
  - i. Iowa PTA has updated their recommended bylaws
    - Amy Licht moved to adopt the new bylaws in accordance with the Iowa PTA bylaws. Aaron McCann seconded. Motion approved.
  - b. Membership update
    - i. As of 9/11/23, 54 families have paid membership dues
    - ii. Annual goal is a minimum of 80 families; last year we had 88 members.
- c. Open volunteer opportunities
  - i. Board: Co-Secretary, Co-Treasurer, Co-Classroom Parent Coordinator
  - Other: Grant Coordinator, Teacher Appreciation, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade recognition coordinator, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Legacy Project (usually related to art), DJ for Student Dance, Classroom Teacher Support Fund lead
    - 1. Grant coordinator is new and there are opportunities for funding now.
    - 2. Reach out to Cara (President), if interested or want more information on any of the opportunities.
- d. Yard signs orders
  - i. 10 day window to order.
  - ii. Link will be available through upcoming Falcon File
- III. Classroom Parent Volunteer Chair Updates Amy Licht
  - a. Asking for parents to be the go-to parent in your student's classroom the Classroom Parent Volunteer role. Want at least 1 for each classroom.
- IV. Special Events Updates

- a. Back to School Picnic recap
  - i. Thanks for attending! New this year was the hot dogs in addition to S'more supplies.
  - ii. Families appreciated the direction signs.
- b. Apparel store recap
  - i. Had 38 orders. Orders will be delivered to the school and sent home with students.
  - ii. Raised \$381 for PTA through this.
- c. Parent/Teacher Mixer- September 21 at 6-8pm. No students/kids allowed.
- V. Treasurer Report Jennifer Burton
  - a. Shared the financials for PTA.
- VI. Other Business

NEXT ALL PARENT MEETING – 7 pm, November 14 at DTS Library Future Dates: January 9; March 5; May 14; at 7 p.m.

## PTA Leadership Board 2023-2024 School Year

President - Cara Edmondson

Vice President - Aaron McCann

Secretary - Bethany Crile & Vacant

Treasurer – Jennifer Burton & Vacant

Parent Volunteer Coordinator (PVC) Chairs - Amy Licht & Vacant

Special Events Chairs - Emily Argo & Sarah Shaffer