

# Sidewinder PTO FY 2021

## Budget Report

<b>Funds available at beginning of financial year (06/01/2021)</b>			<b>\$19,765.52</b>
<b>Donations</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Donations Drive	\$10,000.00	-	\$10,000.00
Cleaning and Safety Supplies	-	-	-
Marquee Announcements	\$1,000.00	-	\$1,000.00
Teacher Gifts	-	-	-
<b>Donations Totals</b>	<b>\$11,000.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$11,000.00</b>
<b>Consumer Incentives</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Amazon Smile	\$200.00	-	\$200.00
Box Tops for Education	\$75.00	-	\$75.00
Fry's / Kroger	\$1,000.00	-	\$1,000.00
Tuft & Needle	-	-	-
<b>Consumer Incentives Totals</b>	<b>\$1,275.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$1,275.00</b>
<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Kendra Scott Jewelry	-	-	-
Huddle Up Stores	\$250.00	-	\$250.00
Restaurant Nights	-	-	-
Rita's	\$500.00	-	\$500.00
<b>Fundraising Totals</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>
<b>Principal Discretionary Account</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Coca Cola Refreshments Rebate	\$200.00	-	\$200.00
School Portraits Rebate	\$1,000.00	-	\$1,000.00
PE Uniform Rebate	-	-	-
Principal's Choice	-	-\$1,200.00	-\$1,200.00
<b>Principal Discretionary Account Totals</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>	<b>-\$1,200.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Administrative Costs</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Accounting Software	-	-\$165.00	-\$165.00
Bank Fees	-	-\$50.00	-\$50.00
Insurance	-	-\$205.00	-\$205.00
Misc Admin	-	-\$50.00	-\$50.00
UPC Membership	-	-\$75.00	-\$75.00
Virtual Meetings (Zoom)	-	-\$150.00	-\$150.00
Website / Email Hosting (GoDaddy)	-	-\$130.00	-\$130.00
<b>Administrative Costs Totals</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-\$825.00</b>	<b>-\$825.00</b>

<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Teacher Meals	-	-\$3,000.00	-\$3,000.00
Teacher Lounge Supplies	-	-\$500.00	-\$500.00
<b>Hospitality Totals</b>	-	<b>-\$3,500.00</b>	<b>-\$3,500.00</b>
<b>School Support</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Gifts to School	-	-\$2,500.00	-\$2,500.00
<b>School Support Totals</b>	-	<b>-\$2,500.00</b>	<b>-\$2,500.00</b>
<b>Student Support</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
PBIS	-	-\$2,000.00	-\$2,000.00
Clubs / Competitions / Team Celebrations	-	-\$250.00	-\$250.00
Student Awards / Rewards	-	-\$500.00	-\$500.00
<b>Student Support Totals</b>	-	<b>-\$2,750.00</b>	<b>-\$2,750.00</b>
<b>Teacher Support</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Classroom Supplies	-	-\$2,000.00	-\$2,000.00
Staff Recognition and Support	-	-\$500.00	-\$500.00
<b>Teacher Support Totals</b>	-	<b>-\$2,500.00</b>	<b>-\$2,500.00</b>
<b>Community Support</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Charitable Donations	-	-\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
<b>Community Support Totals</b>	-	<b>-\$1,000.00</b>	<b>-\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Pass Through Account</b>	<b>Budgeted Income</b>	<b>Budgeted Expenses</b>	<b>Budget Net</b>
Yearbook	\$2,100.00	-	\$2,100.00
Choir Funds	-	-	-
8th Grade Party	-	-	-
<b>Pass Through Account Totals</b>	<b>\$2,100.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$2,100.00</b>
<b>Grand Totals</b>			
	<b>\$16,325.00</b>	<b>-\$14,275.00</b>	<b>\$2,050.00</b>
<b>Projected bank balance if on budget</b>			<b>\$21,815.52</b>



# DSMS SIDEWINDER PTO

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## Desert Shadows Middle School- PTO meeting Aug 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm

23 attendees via a Zoom call

### 1. Introduction of new officers

President: Amelia Dietz

Vice President: Nichole Klootwyd

Treasurer: Lynne Markovich

Secretary: Faydra Huntingford

Hospitality: Michelle Bedard

Fundraising: **Open**

Volunteer Coordinator: Laura Cash

UPC Reps: Kea Carota, Jessica Wani, Jennifer Stockhill (alternate), Chantal Hause (alternate)

### 2. Voting Items:

Motion to approve Amelia Dietz as President for school year 2021-2022 Motion forwarded by Lynn Marokvich, seconded by Nichole Klootwyd. Motion passes

Motion to approve Nichole Klootwyd as Vice President for school year 2021-2022. Motion forwarded by Raquel Kimball, seconded by Kathy Baker. Motion passes

Motion to amend meeting minutes from May 13<sup>th</sup> 2021 to show that Raquel Kimball volunteered to be on Site Council and not UPC volunteer. Motion to approve amendment by Laura Hill, seconded by Raquel Kimball. Motion passes

### 3. Treasurer's Report

Approval of 2021-2022 Budget

See attached budget

Motion to approve this year's budget by Laura Hill, seconded by Kea Carota. Motion passes

See attached Treasurer's Report

4. *Fundraising Report* – need volunteer chairperson at this time

5. *Volunteer Opportunity* - Annual Health Screenings link listed

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da8ad2da3fec25-annual>

6. *UPC Report* –Kea Carota opening bell presentation, joined by District cabinet meeting will be on youtube channel later tonight, special education committee working on a future presentation

9/22/21 9am next meeting

7. *Teacher's Report- Mrs. Bell-* Nurse Moskowitz thanks everyone for volunteering with health screenings next week

8. *Principal's Report* – Feels like it was a refreshing summer. Welcomed 5 new teachers to DSMS, offered some principal discretionary account money to make purchases for the classroom. More than 10 covid cases so far, we are following Maricopa county health regulations. 40 students opted out of wearing masks so far. Most students are masking while in class. Decided to make curriculum night virtual to help mitigate covid risk. Tues 8/24/21 at 6pm

9. *Question-* several questions about masking and vaccinations and when to quarantine, when to quarantine is based on Maricopa Co Dept of Health rules for exposure, masks, and vaccination status

Teachers are getting a list of the students who have opted out- trying to not make an issue of it in class so that we can get back to teaching

What action is taken if a student is not wearing a mask and does not have an opt out on file? - Teacher will have a discussion with student similar to a dress code violation Mr. Hummert states have not had any problems or issues at this point

Many thanks to Mr. Hummert and all of teachers for all they are doing to keep our kids safe and in a positive learning environment.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm**



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## **Desert Shadows Middle School- PTO meeting- Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 5:30 pm**

Meeting called to order at 5:31pm

10 participants via zoom call

Presidents Report- Amelia Dietz- Introduction of the PTO Board members

Teacher's Report- Mrs. Bell- boys basketball & girls softball has kicked off, English class starting to read class novels, no updates from the teachers, no teacher needs at this time

UPC Report-Jessica Wani- if not able to attend UPC meeting then you can watch it on PV youtube channel after the fact, next meeting 9/22 10am topic is hot topics and school funding Jill Barringer will give overview of funding. The school vendor showcase has been postponed until the spring. Remind everyone that we have various committee and chairs for each committee. Question asked about why the vendor showcase was postponed, not a lot of vendor interest at this time and with covid concerns still high, decided to postpone the event until the spring.

Voting Items: Motion to approve previous meeting minutes from Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 2021 Motion to approve by Nichole Klootwyk, second motion to approve by Laura Cash. Motion passes. Nichole added that her last name is misspelt on minutes. Will be amended to correct last name spelling.

Treasurer's Report- Lynne Markovich- see full report, highlights listed below

- We had quite a bit more donated to PTO via the online PayPal donations. We are currently a little above 61% of our budgeted \$10K for the year.
- We spent \$598.48 for classroom supplies for teachers. As Mr. Hummert explained at the last meeting, we were helping out a couple of the new teachers with purchasing items to setup their classroom environment.
- Our checking account is currently at \$25,424.09

Fundraising Report- Open Position Laura Hill is working on passive fundraising Kendra Scott fundraising event will be coming up this fall

Hospitality- Open Position- Teacher conferences dinner in Oct will decide which night once we know if will be virtual conferences, possibly can work with DSES to coordinate a teachers dinner

Principal's Report- Mr. Hummert- The year book going forward will be handled by the school staff and keep within the school budget will need to revise the PTO budget forecast for this year.

Decline in covid cases each week. So it's looking better. Not going to be closing school this year. 5-6 families on the school tour and 5-6 families at coffee w/ the principal. The possible use of the HHS auditorium is for the NJHS Induction Ceremony so there is more space for families since there are 120 inductees. Mr Hummert would like to do something in the fall to bring families to campus, possibly conferences in person, possibly a school dance outside in the courtyard. Possibly off campus event at Crackerjax. Date of event later Oct or early Nov for the weather to be nicer outside.

Horizon High has homecoming dance scheduled for Oct 9<sup>th</sup>- we could follow similar guidelines. Student council could help with theme of party/event. Could let students vote on what type of event they wanted. Julie Erwin is contact for student council.

Will put together a group of volunteers that want to help come up with ideas and make this event happen

Staffing- still looking for duty aid, crossing guard, and para educator- Mr. Hummert will put out an email blast about positions available

Question about if there could be a hybrid PTO meeting next month. Mr. Hummert stated that could be decided on at a later time.

Are field trips going to happen this year?- ELA will go to Shakespeare, Science groups will go to Castle & Coasters, band & choir are going to California, honor society trip will go to Disneyland. The DC trip will not happen this year- too many regulations with flying.

Teachers' Lounge- Ms. Bell says lounge is drab & dreary, we could decorate it to be more cheery, paint the room and add a few touches to spruce it up. PTO will meet to discuss and get started with project.

Possibly put together a parent/ student directory- Nicole will head up this project. Possibly use as an incentive when parents donate could get a directory for reference collect info when they register coming from 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Amelia will share google doc w/ Nichole.

Heath screenings were postponed for parent volunteers. Nurse Lynda got most of the screenings done on her own.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm

Motion to approve meeting minutes by Lynne Markovich, second motion to approve by Jessica Wani. Motion passes.



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## Desert Shadows Middle School- PTO meeting- Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 2021 5:30pm

Meeting called to order at 5:31pm 15 participants

### *Presidents Report*

- School Dance update Oct 22 6:30pm to 8:30pm  
Laura created a Signup Genius link. If you know of anyone who would like to volunteer at the dance, please send them this link. NJHS will be selling snacks & sodas  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DA8AD2DA3FEC25-dsms>
- Changes to budget for this year only
  1. Teacher Supplies- line item to increase spending budget by \$4,100 for teacher supplies
  2. Budget carryover for 2022-23 school year carryover reduction to \$10,000  
Vote via chat over 8 ayes agree- motion passes for both changes to budget
- Makeover for the teacher's lounge- does anyone have a contact or know someone who could help with this project- contact the board

### *Treasurer's Report*

Below is listed the activity since our last meeting in September.

#### **Income**

\$1082.16 in donations and bday - yearly total now at \$7590.21

\$253.47 Fry's quarterly check

#### **Expenses**

##### Administrative

\$165.01 Annual fee for MoneyMinder (accounting software)

\$9.00 Bank Fee - NSF check

\$76.99 UPC Membership

##### Student Support

\$300 PBIS Gift Cards

\$94.15 Gaming Club and Student Council

##### Teacher Support

\$561.26 Classroom Supplies

\$151.27 T-Shirts for new teachers/admin

#### **Fall Dance**

\$860.14 in expenses (this will be offset with the ticket sales)

#### **Choir Pass-Through**

\$4045 in deposits - \$2187.74 in expenses = \$1857.26 remaining

Ending balance shows \$26,399.16 (less \$1857.26 remaining choir funds) = \$24,541.90

### **UPCOMING**

#### **Income**

Kendra Scott Fundraiser

Fall Dance  
Dorian Fall Portrait Rebate

### **Expenses**

PTO Annual Insurance Fee \$205  
Teacher Dinners - Conference Week approx. \$750

### *Fundraising Report*

- Kendra Scott Fundraiser- The 2-day virtual event on November 13-14th with the in-store 2-hour shopping event on 11/14 from 12-2

Skyzone reached out for fundraising event depending on how many students, Skyzone gives back 10-40% back to school- will look into this option Nichole Klootwyk will follow up

### *Volunteer Opportunity*

- Office Volunteers/ copy cats- Mr. Hummert will get in touch with Dana Seamore in back office to get this going again, parents are eager to help and teachers would be happy to have help with copying

### *Hospitality*

- Parent / Teacher Conferences Dinner - The PTO will be providing dinner to the teachers on Monday, October 25.
- Samatha Seabolt- volunteered to will help with teacher dinners

*Teacher's Report-* Mrs. Bell

NJHS induction next week, teacher conferences coming up. Kids are excited for upcoming dance

*Principal's Report* – Congratulations to Ms. Bell who just completed education leadership certification

Move to give 100\$ for each teacher lets teachers know they are supported by the PTO

Washington DC trip meeting later this evening

Like to have events and families on campus

Culture fare- social studies classes coming back in Nov

Escape rooms as an instructional tool early spring/ March working on how to partner with the PTO for a fun exciting experience

2 strong candidates for the duty aid positions

Choir/ band trips to California have been cancelled too many factors in play

*UPC Report* Kea Carotta- hot topics in school funding last month ESSR funds, presentation is available on UPC Youtube channel



10/20 at 9am is next meeting- keep students safe while at school, P&P at district level and process of discipline due to Ticktok supporting vandalism & assault at school UPC Facebook page has all upcoming information dates and times

Transportation- bus drivers important to keep drivers we have at the moment UPC provided breakfast at their staff meeting. What can we do to show our drivers how much we appreciate them?

Ideas- Making posters, please let Kea know of any other ideas

How can we include them in the holiday planning bus drivers & aides

ESSR funds will be used to help transportation per Ms. Bell

Questions in chat

Ms. Bell where to submit receipts- to Andrea in the office

Adjourned at 6:09pm

Motion to approve meeting minutes by Nichole Klootwyk on 10/26/21 and seconded motion by Amelia Dietz on 10/27/21



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## Desert Shadows Middle School- PTO meeting- date

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm 12 participants via Zoom

### *Presidents Report*

Teacher's Lounge- Nichole Klootwyk would like to lead on a project to redecorate the teachers' lounge Nichole will come by Teachers' lounge at 1:30 next week on Tuesday will work with Facilities to see what can or can't be done or changed. Two people have volunteered to help, one of them is an interior designer and will be helping with design. Will work with Mr. Hummert about time frames and ideas.

Holiday Gift Card Drive- for teachers and staff. Paypal donation listed on website around beginning of December.

Katie McPherson Social Media Discussion- Dec 1<sup>st</sup> PTO is funding a social media discussion, and she will be speaking to students on Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> in 3 assemblies. Notice will be sent out to 6<sup>th</sup> grade families at feeder schools as well.

Departmental Honors Reward- adding money to our budget to pay for staff awards in the honor of Mrs. Hull-Ottino who was 40yrs at DSMS adding 200\$ per department (\$1200 per year)for the annual award. Motion to approve an addition of \$1200 as a line item to the budget for this school year. Motion to approve by Laura Cash, Nichole Klootwyk seconds the motion, vote via zoom all ayes and motion passes.

### *Treasurer's Report*

Below is listed the activity since our last meeting in October.

#### **Income**

\$601.21 Donations and bday - yearly total now at \$8191.42

\$111.38 Tuft&Needle

\$341.97 School Portraits Rebate

#### **Expenses**

\$113.44 Principal Discretionary

\$205 Annual Insurance

\$304.46 NJHS

\$1252.40 Classroom Supplies

\$850.59 Hospitality - Teacher conference dinners

#### **Fall Dance**

\$1411.21 Net Profit

#### **Choir Pass-Through**

\$4120 in deposits - \$2187.74 in expenses = \$1932.26 remaining

Ending balance shows \$27,074.18 (less \$1932.26 remaining choir funds) = **\$25,141.92**

#### **UPCOMING**

#### **Income**

Kendra Scott Fundraiser  
Skyzone Fundraiser  
Fry's quarterly rebate approx \$275  
Amazon quarterly rebate approx \$75

**Expenses**

Katey McPherson parent presentation - \$500  
Donation to Cozies for a Cause - approx \$150  
Donation to UPC Thanksgiving Meal collection - \$100  
Shirts for Lunch Volunteers - approx \$250  
Teacher/Staff Holiday Gift

*Fundraising Report-* Kendra Scott- 20% comes back to DSMS for any purchases in that 12-2pm time frame plus online purchases & Sky Zone December 10th 8-10pm glow in the dark event Mr. Hummert will make an announcement about this event closer to the time.

*Volunteer Opportunity-* Parent Patrol during lunch- responses haven't been that good, we will post again on FB and send another email about it

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da8ad2da3fec25-dsms1>

Will explore a spring event/ dance to happen after Valentines' Day and before Spring Break

*Teacher's Report-* Ms. Somar spooky science projects finished and cultural fair projects completed, math & ELA are working hard, art projects over at district on display. Teachers are looking forward to the winter break for a rest.

*Principal's Report-*Mr. Hummert- quarantine changes starting after Thanksgiving Break per District letter sent home today. Construction started at entry of school allows for a better front entry and more green space, and bars closer to the building. School Council looking for a volunteer to step up and help the committee. If interested in that volunteer opportunity send an email to Mr. Hummert.

*UPC Report- Kea Carota*

Most recent UPC meeting was this week and is up on the UPC Youtube channel  
Roadrunner K-12 special education school has a holiday school store that students earn points and can then buy gifts. Roadrunner is looking for gift donations  
No Dec meeting, next meeting is Jan 19<sup>th</sup>

*Opportunity to Give*

The United Parent Council Outreach Committee is organizing Thanksgiving meals for PV Families that are in need of a little help this year. Please sign up for whatever you are able to donate. Items will be collected in our main office through Friday, Nov. 19th. Please click on the Sign Up Genius so that we can know what to expect.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084faea72fa64-upcthanksgiving>

Questions- none

Next Meeting Jan 20<sup>th</sup> possibly having an in person meeting and/or zoom option depending on covid restrictions at the time.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:23pm



# DSMS SIDEWINDER PTO

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## Desert Shadows Middle School- PTO meeting- Jan 20 2022

Meeting called to order at 5:34pm, 19 participants via Zoom call

### President's Report-

Call for 2022-23 Board Nominations- will need President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Nominations will stay open until voting at March PTO meeting- please let people know that positions are open and we need volunteers.

Spring dance/event-will plan for after spring break depending on the Covid situation

Parent Volunteers at Lunch- would like to bring this back, will update the SUG and promote it

New teachers- since Mr. Keegan left, new teacher Robin Whittemore will get her a shirt from PTO

Rita's custard will be back on campus

Teacher reimbursement requests get them in by April 30<sup>th</sup>

Spirit wear store Huddle Up is requiring \$250 a year in sales, don't typically get that much, might need to change providers for next year will visit this later in the year

### Vice President- Teachers' Lounge

Met w/ interior decorator parent volunteer to assess the lounge

Possibly can afford a new counter top, new paint on walls & cabinets, organizing cleaning, and using the storage that is available. Samantha would like to Help Nichole with getting ideas and options. Budget is \$1000. Per Mr. Hummert can be completed on a Saturday, survey to the teachers to see what they would like to see changed. With a facilities request we can get District to make a few changes as well.

Treasurer's Report Below is listed the activity since our last meeting in November.

### Income

\$1853.13 Donations

\$56.30 Amazon Smile (quarterly)

\$88.70 Box Tops (semi annual)

\$242.47 Fry's (quarterly)

\$508.05 Kendra Scott Fundraiser

\$96.00 SkyZone Fundraiser

\$52.08 Coca-Cola Rebate

\$129.76 School Portraits Retakes Rebate

### Expenses

\$1819.50 Teacher Holiday Gift

\$77.16 Principal Discretionary

\$69.72 PTO Mailbox

\$41.61 GoDaddy

\$293.56 Shirts and vests for parent lunch volunteers

\$500 Katey McPherson presentation

\$726.15 Classroom Supplies  
\$426.70 Teacher/Staff Recognition  
\$249.65 Donations  
Ending balance shows \$24,814.47 (less \$850.11 remaining choir funds) = **\$23,964.36**

### **UPCOMING**

#### **Income**

Huddle Up Store \$148  
Passive Income approx \$450 remaining  
Rita's Italian Ice??

#### **Expenses**

Teacher Conference Dinner approx. \$900-1200  
Teacher Supply Reimbursement \$2600 remaining  
Teacher Lounge Refresh \$1000  
PBIS Gift Cards \$300  
Dept Honors Awards \$1200  
Teacher Appreciation Week ???

Hospitality- Teacher Conference Dinner 900-1200\$ budget Samantha will be coordinating this dinner  
Mexican buffet dinner

Teacher's Report- Mrs. Bell was not able to join us

Principal's Report- Mr. Hummert

School Council Parent Rep Vote Raquel Kimball is 8<sup>th</sup> grade rep, 7<sup>th</sup> grade rep is Kathy Baker  
Read the nomination requests for 2 candidates and was voted on anonymously via zoom  
Been a very tough Jan over 120 cases of covid between teachers & students have been out, no longer  
contact tracing this will relieve the office staff with time  
Announcing tomorrow that next week will have a holocaust survivor virtually visit the classes & tell  
students about her experience  
PTO will make a donation to the Phx Holocaust Association  
Possible for parents to listen to the speaker as well- Mr. Hummert will see if he can share the meet info  
with parents too, or could record the event and share with DSMS community after  
Will have 8<sup>th</sup> grade event near end of school year  
Choir trip in March  
Possible Social Studies trip to escape room for 8<sup>th</sup> grade possibly 7<sup>th</sup> graders as well  
Front of school construction will be completed in Feb- will be new flagpole between both schools, new  
trees and new look to front of both schools

UPC Report- Kea Carota

Meeting yesterday was parents from various school to come & talk about PTO & PTA resources  
Family survey is up on UPC Facebook page  
Call for committee for volunteer parents on student handbook group need 3 parents each grade level  
and the Literature review work team- will meet quarterly for next 2 school years  
Spring vendor showcase at PVHS 2/23  
Next meeting 2/16/22  
District text messaging- asking families to OPT in to get text messages  
No questions at this time and meeting adjourned at 6:36pm

Motion to approve meeting minutes via email by Lynne Markovich, second motion to approve by Amelia Dietz, all ayes motion passes.



# DSMS SIDEWINDER PTO

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## Desert Shadows Middle School- PTO meeting- Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm

10 participants

Meeting called to order at 5:33pm

### **Presidents Report- Amelia Dietz**

- Call for 2022-23 PTO Board nominations March meeting nominations and voting for any
- Parent Choir Chairperson Appointment Jennifer Parker chosen by Ms. Kahn to be choir liaison
- Spring Dance Update – Faydra & Kathryn April 29<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30pm same DJ & photo booth as fall dance, meeting w/ Student council next week to get students involved in music selection and for sale snacks/ drinks/ pizza/chickfila
- Birdcall Dining Fundraiser - Tuesday April 26 new restaurant opening will give PTO 35% from 11-6pm on that day located on Shea & Scottsdale rd

### **Vice Presidents Report- Nichole Klootwyk**

- Teacher's Lounge Update- picked paint colors & rearrange the room, will fill in windows w/ privacy film & posters, kitchen space in back, lounging space in front
- Save the Date - March 12th - Please come to a paint day for the teacher's lounge
- Consideration of a by-law update, to be voted on next month recommendation for addendum to bylaws appointed a UPC rep in past, would like to have that person voted on instead of appointed. Adjustment to article 3, posted in writing to all members a week before next meeting and voted on for next month

### **Treasurer's Report**

#### **Income**

\$47.88 Donations

\$23.64 BDay Marquee

\$42.85 Coca-Cola Rebate

#### **Expenses**

\$55.36 Bags and gift wrap for holiday gifts

\$105.76 Principal Discretionary

\$633.35 Teacher Conference Dinner

\$37.51 Gifts to school (2 library books)

\$315 PBIS Gift Cards (2<sup>nd</sup> Semester)

\$301.71 Classroom Supplies

\$30.13 New Teacher T Shirt

\$100 Phoenix Holocaust Association Donation

Ending balance shows \$23,251.23 (less \$751.32 remaining choir funds) = **\$22,499.91**

#### **UPCOMING**

#### **Income**

Huddle Up Store \$148

Passive Income approx \$450 remaining

Rita's - Apr 29 & May 13 approx \$150

**Expenses**

Teacher Supply Reimbursement \$2400 remaining (24 teachers)

Teacher Lounge Refresh \$1000 - \$1500

Dept Honors Awards \$1200

Teacher Appreciation Week ???

**Fundraising Report**

**Volunteer Opportunity-** Sign up to help at lunch time

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da8ad2da3fec25-dsms1>

**Teacher's Report- Mrs. Bell**

Between holiday gift cards & conference dinners thanks to all of the PTO for helping, teachers want to be able to see out of the windows and are looking forward to a lounge refresh

**Principal's Report- Mr. Hummert**

Covid cases have dramatically reduced this month very relieved to get back to more normal feel on campus.

Physics final exam at castles & coasters for 7<sup>th</sup> graders for May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> grade celebration still in the works

Staffing assignments for next year has been shared w/ teachers this week, will have about 800 students next year.

With ESSR funds will have some exciting new opportunities for next year. Will have a drama class and student government with Mrs. Reiss, these classes were voted on by the students.

Kate Saeli hopes to join us to discuss a proposal that she and I have been working on for a new elective class for next school year. In a recent survey to 7th grade students, two subjects were found to be highly chosen. These were home economics/ life skills class and real life money management. Mrs. Saeli will pitch a class that touches on both of these topics. She will also make a request for PTO funding for a set of new sewing machines to support this new elective. Would like to get 12 sewing machines at approx. \$300 per machine. Can vote on the budget expenditure at the next month's meeting.

State testing is coming up- PTO in the past has donated juice boxes, snacks, will create sign up genius to help get donations.

**UPC Report- Jessica Wani**

Teacher & staff appreciation nominations are now open, must submit nominations before 3/23/22

Outreach event for paraprofessionals

School vender showcase on 2/23 at 6pm at PVHS

Next monthly meeting 2/23/22 at 9am -topic is school financing

No questions by group at this time

Meeting adjourned at 6:17pm



**DSMS PTO Meeting Notes**  
**Media Center and via Zoom**  
**March 24, 2022**

**Call to order 5:34pm**

In person attendees: Amelia Dietz, Lynne Markovich, Nichole Klootwyk, Katie O'Boyle, Shawn Bell, Laura Hill

Online attendees: Kea Carota, Kate Saeli, Laura Cash, Kathryn Glasgow, Chantel Hause

**President's Comments – Amelia Diaz**

- Thank you for Nichole's work on the teacher's lounge. Miss O'Boyle and Mrs. Bell said teachers like the refresh.
- Para educator education day – UPC is doing something. Is DSMS? – Katie O'Boyle didn't know of anything. There are around 6 para educators at DSMS. Amelia suggested \$100 to donate to UPC to help recognize the para educators.
  - Kea said there will be gift bags put together by the UPC and ask that Principals will write thank you notes.
- Dance update by Kathryn Glasgow – date April 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Chick-Fil-a will be on site and there will be no cost to the PTO nor is there a guaranteed minimum. No profit sharing has been arranged. Can ask in the future once we have a baseline for quantities that kids buy at the dance.
  - Student Council will sell drinks, candy and chips (\$1 apiece).
- Amelia asked administration if another Signup Genius for parent lunch volunteers was needed. Ms. O'Boyle said yes and suggested a one-time orientation (15 minutes before lunch) could help make parents feel more comfortable with their duties as lunch volunteer. Time set for Wednesday of next week (March 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 for 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 12:15 for 8<sup>th</sup> grade volunteer).
  - Laura Cash will update the Signup Genius to add orientations and separately add additional volunteer slots for parents.
- New fundraiser at new restaurant, Birdcall, on April 26<sup>th</sup>. (It is at the old El Pollo Loco location.)
- Parent appreciation week the first week of May.
  - Mrs. Bell said the teachers appreciate everything and really liked the Starbucks gift cards.
  - Amelia asked if teachers liked last year's scratchers. Mrs. Bell said they did and teachers are appreciative of all our efforts.
  - This year will include a gift card drive and will likely have Post-it note shoutouts from students again.
- Andrea gave us a new Amazon wish list for the school. It will be sent out with the next PTO newsletter.
- During the previous PTO meeting, Mr. Hummert had requested money from the PTO for sewing machines for a new elective class offered next year. Amelia tabled a vote until April to give time

to get a better idea of finalized PTO's financial standing and to have Mr. Hummert at the meeting.

- By-Law change that was purposed last PTO meeting was addressed. Bylaw change is to make the UPC Representative positions elected instead of appointed by the President.
  - Laura Cash motioned to vote on approval of the bylaws. Nichole Klootwyk seconded the motion.
  - Bylaw change passed: Yay - 5, Nays – 0. President abstained due to Roger's Rules.
  - Laura Hill had questions on why the bylaw change was proposed and whether or not other appointed positions (committee chairs) would be elected. Nichole stated that the UPC representatives vote at the UPC and can directly represent parents in district policy. As a result, a democratic process to select those UPC representatives seem appropriate. Also, in principle, any position (committee or otherwise) that has multiple volunteers could be voted on. If that issue comes up, we can amend the bylaws for voting for committee chairs as well.
  - UPC representative nominations will be opened for election at next month's meeting
- Amelia reviewed the nominations for PTO board positions and asked for interest from anyone interested in running for any of the positions. No additional people expressed interest and the following people were elected to the following positions (by default, no formal vote needed).
  - Faydra Huntingford – President
  - Chantel House – Vice President
  - Secretary – open
  - Treasurer – open
  - Standing Committees
    - Hospitality - Samantha Seabolt
    - Volunteer Coordinator – open
    - Fundraising – open
- Discussion of what Vice President position responsibilities entail. The position is to help the President and lead any additional projects. The suggestion that one project to build a student directory (opt in to have personal information included on directory) could be helpful to build community and encourage donations to the DSMS PTO. Project could be started before summer as people prepare for next year.

#### **Vice President Comments - Nichole Klootwyk**

- Teacher's lounge refresh project was completed within budget. Thank you to Amelia, her daughter Avery, Michelle Dean, and her daughter Marilyn for all their help. Thanks also to Nichole's husband, Chris and family friends who helped install the new kitchen counter.
- Want to find a way to do something for students with PTO resources. Ideas:
  - Celebrate students finishing state testing.
    - Katie O'Boyle stated Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup> or anytime during the week of April 25 would be good timing.
    - Could do ice cream sandwiches and/or otter pops at end of each grade lunch.
  - Open to other ideas as well.

### **Potential Conflict for the next school dance**

- Laura Hill mentioned that DSES is having a school carnival the same night as our school dance. Timing is very similar as well.
- Katie O'Boyle – It is not optimal. Is the date of dance in stone?
- Amelia - We may try to move our date, but posters are printed, DJ and photo booth are booked. If he DJ and photo booth are booked already, we might not be able to move the date.
- If date stays the same, we will try to have drop off and pick up in the back parking area to alleviate congestion in the front parking area. Can post signs in drop off/pick up area for a few days before the events to help communicate. Plus, lots of reinforcement to students before event.

### **Treasurer's Report - Lynne Markovich**

- Budget review of current month activity
  - This month \$233.99 in donations – money from snacks during testing.
  - Amazon Smile \$56.74 – quarterly passive income
  - Huddle up \$148.00 – t-shirts that are sold
  - Principal's choice - \$52.37 Mr. Hummert
  - Gifts to school – \$22.10 (new air filter?)
  - Student \$75 for gift cards for talent show
  - Classroom supplies - \$506.17
  - Spring Dance - \$641.91, upfront cost will be offset by ticket prices
  - Ending balance - \$21,714.66 (\$21,641.09 after choir passthrough)
- Potential \$425 passive income
  - Ritas (about \$75/visit – three more visits)
  - Birdcall \$100? Not sure
  - Benevity - \$100.00 don't know where it came from – Canadian Benevity passed through employee donation and company match. We don't know who works at GoDaddy that donated the funds. Will be deposited now that the donation has been vetted.
- Upcoming expenses
  - 22 teachers have not used their \$100 yet - \$2,200 remaining
  - Teachers' lounge – \$1,500
  - Teacher appreciation - \$1,000
  - Snacks for testing days – \$200 may net \$0 after student snack sales

### **Volunteer Coordinator – Laura Cash**

- Will work on volunteer signups for lunch duty, April Dance, and 'Escape the School' (for 8<sup>th</sup> grade kids at end of school year)

### **Teacher's Report - Shawn Bell**

- Student testing is coming up in April. Courtney Somar has helped a lot in identifying areas and items that kids might need additional help.

- Want community to know that the school is working hard to help kids meet the standards and that the kids do their personal best. Working on filling any gaps kids might have. 7<sup>th</sup> graders haven't had a standardized test since 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### **Administrator's Report - Katie O'Boyle, Assistant Principal**

- Derrick Hummert is on the trip to Tucson. All three choirs are in Tucson enjoying a workshop from the Broadway troop that is performing Tootsie. The lead of the play is leading the student workshop session. They will get back tonight at midnight. Feels great to get out the school and let the kids participate in additional enriching educational experiences.
- Planning a trip to castles and coasters for 7<sup>th</sup> graders and will use it for physics. Will be using tax credit money and won't be asking PTO for money. It will be asking kids to contribute \$20 and kids will bring a sack lunch.
- Open house in May for incoming families. First one in two years. Choir will sing, kids will play cellos and it will be magical. The date is Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.
- Expert speaker Stephani Siete to discuss drugs and alcohol. She relates well to kids. It will be the same format as the Holocaust speaker and will be via video. Kids will be able to ask questions. Recent uptick in kids are using THC wax pens (5 or 6) has raised concerns which has led administration to focus on drug education to help kids make different choices. Parent presentation is March 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the DSMS Media Center. Presentation for kids is on the 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Albert Susman is spearheading the Escape the School event for 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Each teacher will do a "Escape my class" with puzzles and such. Asking parents to contribute \$20 in order to cover the cost. Includes cost of boxed lunches (\$6/student). School will cover kids who cannot afford the contribution with use of extracurricular donations.
- REALLY NEED DUTY AIDES. IF YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO SHOW UP EVERYDAY, EVEN FOR A FEW HOURS, PLEASE LET THE SCHOOL KNOW.
- Laura Hill - Is NJHS doing a field trip? Is there an 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip? Answer: Katie O'Boyle and Shawn Bell – Don't know of any.

#### **Kea Carota – UPC report**

- Most recent meeting had program "Important Topics in School Funding" by Assistant Superintendent, Jill Barragan. Lots of great information on complicated topic of school funding. Recording on district's You Tube channel and will be on the UPC you tube channel as well.
- Teacher Staff Appreciation – received ton of submissions, a record number of teacher nominations. They will give letters to Mr. Hummert at the end of April for the nominated teachers.
- UPC needs funds for their outreach committee (for transportation appreciation and para educator appreciation). As a result, they started a fundraiser with the Suns. Use a link to buy Suns tickets and UPC will get \$5 per ticket. There could be an opportunity for some of our student groups to perform at the Suns game. They will have a similar ticket link for Cardinal games.

- Next UPC meeting is on April 20<sup>th</sup>. That meeting program topic will be “Hidden Dangers of Illegal Substances”. Phoenix PD will be discussing fentanyl and potential drug mixtures kids don’t realize they are making. This is a presentation meant for parents only.

**Meeting Adjourned – 6:31pm**



# DSMS SIDEWINDER PTO

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## Desert Shadows Middle School- PTO meeting- April 21, 2022

Meeting called to order at 5:30pm 10 participants on zoom video call

### ***Presidents Report***

School Dance update- time change to 7-9pm, will offer, chick-fil A, pizza, soda & snacks due to DSES carnival at the same time, DSMS will drop off in front. Amelia will send Mr.Hummert some things to put out on morning announcements

Teacher Appreciation Week- staff shout outs for students, scratcher tickets, birdcall will supply lunch on Thurs, Fri gift cards

Student Treat for doing well on testing- will be treat at lunchtime

Financial Records review will need to be done in June to close out the years records

Birdcall restaurant fundraiser Scottsdale & Shea 35% of sales comes back to DSMS on May 10th

### ***Treasurer's Report***

#### **Income**

\$642.17 Donations and BDay

\$276.54 Fry's Quarterly Check

\$100 Benevity

\$81 Rita's Friday Sales

#### **Expenses**

\$96.70 Principal Discretionary

\$11.60 Misc Admin (stamps)

\$1490.31 Teacher's Lounge Project

\$300 PBIS (Stephanie Siete parent presentation)

\$237.82 Student Rewards (Snacks for Testing Days)

\$664.05 Classroom Supplies

\$100 Donation to UPC (ParaPro Day)

\$233.31 Spring Dance

Ending balance shows \$20,188.07 (less \$581.06 remaining choir funds) = **\$19,607.01**

Note: Dance expenses of \$875.22 already incurred will be offset by ticket sales

### **UPCOMING**

#### **Income**

Passive Income approx \$150 remaining

Rita's \$150

Bird Call Fundraiser \$100?

#### **Expenses**

Teacher Supply Reimbursement \$1600 remaining (next week is the final week for submissions)  
Discussion about the process for teachers to get reimbursed on classroom expenses  
Dept Honors Awards \$1200  
Teacher Appreciation Week approx \$1000

Note: Will be discussing/voting on the expense of \$3900 for the sewing machines- will table it under after the dance to see what funds are raised

Volunteer Opportunity- lunchtime parents volunteer SUG is still active and still needing parents to help out at lunch time

**Teacher's Report-** Mr. Sussman

8<sup>th</sup> social studies dept has planned a great escape for the 8<sup>th</sup> graders- escape room at school celebration, gauntlet inflatables and American ninja warrior type activities, dunk tank, catered lunch w/ Jason's deli, dance dj'ed by Mr Sussman

Would like to get support on May 25<sup>th</sup> w/ chaperones and support on day of from parents and will ask for \$20 per student donation total \$6500 budget, asking for approval of line item pass through of funds thru PTO.

Great progress on state scores this week- testing went really smoothly

**Principal's Report-** interviewing new Assist principal- 4 finalist have been selected will be doing final interview process next week

Teacher breakfast on last day of teacher schedule on Fri 27<sup>th</sup> will get plaque for teachers retiring and 1<sup>st</sup> year survivors, Mr Tillinghast, Nurse Moskowitz is retiring, Mrs. Somar moving to Sonoran Sky, Mrs. Colletto is retiring. Teachers will get gift card asking for \$300

Vote to approve \$300 for Mr. Hummert for end of year celebration for teachers, unanimous vote all ayes

UPC Report- Chantell reporting for Kea- appreciation letters are ready for UPC, DSMS had more nominations than any other campus in PV

Para- educator appreciation bags- UPC distributed 375 bags across the district

Holding parent group leaders workshop best financial practices April 25<sup>th</sup> 9:30am, link on UPC Facebook page to RSVP

Open house May 10th for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders 6-7pm

Huddle Up for samples of tshirts that are online to sell

Questions- none

Next PTO meeting May12th

Meeting adjourned at 6:24pm