

MAY PTO MINUTES

May 5/18/2022

Call to Order: 7:12

Attendance: see attached list via zoom and in person	
Nicole Moore - President	Teacher Liaison: Elizabeth Willoughby
Brittany Gourley - Co-Vice President, Committee Chair	
Tracey Kilinski - Co-Vice President, Grade Level Oversight	
Gwen Perdomo - Treasurer	
Rebecca Gendrano - Correspondence Secretary	ONLINE: Kate Harada, Elizabeth Willoughby
In Person: Mrs. Moody, Mrs. North, Megan Portik, Maria Bartman, Brittany Gourley, Gwen Perdomo.	Rebecca Gendrano, Karen Fairchild, Cassie Muratore, Mr. Tseng, Jessica Rodriguez, Liz Mazariegos, Maggie Koski, Tracy Kilinski,

Topic	Summary
Mr. Tennant – Principal Round Table	<p>Effective immediately, the district will no longer require close contacts to quarantine.</p> <p>Alternatively, the district will provide the parents/guardians of the students in the respective school with an email notification about any recent positive cases in their child’s school, along with the locations of the positive individual on the specified date.</p> <p>-No identifying information will be given of the positive individual.</p> <p>-This updated procedure will only apply to newly reported cases as of 4PM today.</p> <p>Any student who tests positive will continue to be placed into quarantine for five (5) days after the testing date. Students who test positive can return after the quarantine period if they are no longer experiencing any symptoms. Quarantine instruction will be provided only for students who test positive for COVID-19, as a result of them being placed into quarantine.</p> <p>Opportunity provided to ask questions. None were posed.</p> <p>Classroom updates:</p> <p>Pre- K: Ms. Keen's Class- In math we have been working on greater than, less than or equal to. We have completed this for 2 weeks and today we completed the more or less craft reading Alfie the Alligator by Sandy Turley; Science have completed the life cycle of a flower, during our farm visit we are going to be learning about the life cycle of a chicken. Letters of the week have been the letter /Rr/, /UGu/ and /Ss’/.</p> <p>Mrs. Manola's Class- LA- We are working on sequencing through the very hungry caterpillar story.</p> <p>Math- number review(1 thru 20);science- matching insects</p> <p>Mrs. Lowrey's Class- maintaining one of the flowerbeds in the courtyard; today we planted seeds and flower bulbs and weeded; completed the life cycle of lady bugs. Math: we have been completing counting and graphing; Letter of the week have been the letter /Rr/, /UGu/ and /Ss’/.</p>

Kindergarten Learning about farm animals to get ready for our field trip next week. Also, plants and spring bugs/animals.

1st Grade :writing and illustrating our young author books; **Math**- time and shapes; **ELA-compounds** words- prefixes; **Science**-life cycle of butterflies and frogs; **Social studies**- landforms and American symbols

2nd Grade: Opinion Writing Unit after completing How-Toss where they were given the opportunity to teach their classmates about tasks. The students also just finished learning all about telling time and counting money. They will be starting to add and subtract 3-digit numbers.

3rd Grade-learning about immigration and the United States in both ELA and Social Studies; reading books about Ellis Island and that time in history. We are working on our Cultural Heritage projects and looking forward to our Cultural Heritage Festival in June; Science we are learning about the structures of life and in math we are learning about fractions.

4th Grade: Ms. Praul - Bridge to Terabithia -- The book deals with themes of friendship, childhood, and being an individual. Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. McKiernan - Save Me A Seat – friendship, bullying, Mrs. Caruso - Tiger Rising - friendship and conflict; Mrs. Mann - Front Desk -- Mia Tang, the story's protagonist, is a 5th grader when she begins working with her parents at the Calivista Motel just five miles from Disneyland. Front Desk details the family's first year managing the hotel including diversity issues and the building of community at the motel. All 4th grade classes will be reading to Bridge to Terabithia. They will be watching the movie as a grade level sometime in June; Math- fractions and decimals and how they relate to each other. Writing Informational Writing. Science -Ms. Praul and Mrs. Palmer - Soils, Rocks, and Landforms -- Mrs. McKiernan, Mrs. Caruso, Mrs. Mann -- The Environments Module

5th grade We are reading our novel, Hatchet. Our character is trying to survive in the Canadian wilderness after a plane crash, the students are using reading strategies such as visualization, predictions, summarizing and making connections. Writing: Poetry unit. In Math dividing and multiplying fractions. In Science, we have moved on from the Earth and Sun Unit and have begun Living Systems.

Important Dates:

Tuesday 5/17 - Friday 5/20	Start of NJSLA Testing ELA and Math for grades 3,4,5
Tuesday 5/24-wed 5/25	NJSLA Testing Science testing 5th grade
5/24-	Prek-2nd Petting Zoo coming to Faber
5/26	Bike to School Day," Walk, Bike or Roll" – please wear a helmet. Call Mrs. Starace

		to borrow a helmet if you do not have one.
	5/27	No School
	6/3	Ethnic Festival 3rd grade will be held outside if it does rain will be held in APR with scheduled times for parents to come.
	6/6	Just Added 5th Grade -will be viewing Hatchet at the Dunellen Theater.
	6/13	6pm 2022-2023-Kindergarten orientation in Faber Gym
	6/15	Academic Awards night for 4 and 5th grade
	6/16 Thursday	5th Grade Farewell Kickball Game
	6/16, 6/20, 6,21	Half Days for Kindergarten only
	6/17 Friday	Just Added is no School for observance for Juneteenth
	6/23	Kindergarten Proud Day
	Friday, 6/24	Preschool Celebration - Details - TBD Kindergarten Luau - Playground & Field - 10am-11am
	6/28	Last Day of School
	<p>Thank PTO especially Mrs. Kowalik for arranging for the planetarium. Also to thank the PTO for the wonderful Teacher Appreciation Luncheon and Desserts. Kindergarten and Pre-K registration for 2022-2023 is now open. Last Day to Order Faber yearbook will be on June 1st. Call for Questions.</p>	
Nicole Moore- President	Call to order at 7:12	

Gwen Perdomo- Treasurer's report	<p>Report emailed and available printed.</p> <p>Deposits:</p> <p>Tricky Tray and Book Fair</p> <p>8th Grade promotion Venmo</p> <p>Shirt Sales</p> <p>Withdraws</p> <p>Change for tricky tray</p> <p>And payment to Scholastic books for Book Fair.</p> <p>Brought in \$10,000. Took out \$6,000.</p> <p>Approve: Megan Portik, 2nd Jessica Rodriguez</p>
Maria Bartman - Minutes	<p>Attendance taken</p> <p>Approved: Megan Portik, 2nd: Jessica Rodriguez</p>
Nicole Moore- Presidents report	<p>. –PTO Board acceptances</p> <p>Thank you to Jessica Rodriguez for calling all nominees and putting together the google form:</p> <p>PTO Board Acceptances read by Maria Bartman</p> <p>For the position of PTO president: Nicole Moore you have been nominated for the position of PTO president of the Dunellen PTO for the 2022-2023 School year. Do you accept your nomination? Let the record show that Nicole Moore has accepted the position of PTO president for the 2022-2023 school year.</p> <p>For the position of position of Vice President Committee Chair :</p> <p>Maria Bartman you have been nominated for the position of Vice President Committee Chair of the Dunellen PTO for the 2022-2023 School year. Do you accept your nomination? Let the record show that Maria Bartman has accepted the position of Vice President Committee Chair for the 2022-2023 School year.</p> <p>For the position of Recording Secretary:</p> <p>Rebecca Gendrano you have been nominated for the position of Recording Secretary for the Dunellen PTO. Do you accept your nomination? Let the record show that Rebecca Gendrano has accepted the position of Recording Secretary for the 2022-2023 school year.</p> <p>For the position of Treasurer:</p> <p>Gwen Perdomo you have been nominated for the position of Treasurer for the 2022-2023. Do you accept your nomination? Let the record show that Gwen Perdomo has accepted the position of Treasurer of the Dunellen</p>

	<p>PTO for the 2022-2023 School year.</p> <p>For the Position of Teacher Liaison: Elizabeth Willoughby you have been nominated for the position of Teacher Liaison for the 2022-2023 School Year. Do you accept your nomination? Let the record show that Elizabeth Willoughby has accepted her nomination for Teacher Liaison of the Dunellen PTO for the 2022-2023 School year.</p> <p>For the Position of Vice President Grade Level Oversight: Tracey Kilinski you have been nominated for the position of Vice President Grade Level Oversight of the Dunellen PTO for the 2022-2023 School Year. Do you accept your nomination? Let the record show that Tracey Kilinsk has accepted the position of Vice President Grade Level oversight of the Dunellen PTO for the 2022-2023 School year.</p> <p>Congratulations to the Board. And Thank you to Brittany for all of her help this past year on the board. There is an open position of Corresponding Secretary, if anyone is interested, please reach out to Nicole Moore.</p> <p>8th Grade Promotion: Shirt forms and \$\$ coming in. Looking to set up one more meeting. Will also need non 8th grade parents to chaperone. Somerset Patriots Fundraiser on June 11 @7:05, Mayor Ciliento will throw out a first pitch and fire works will be after the game. Must purchase tickets through link prior to the game to get the discount and for the PTO to get credit. Tricky tray was this past Saturday. Huge Success. Brought in \$31, 295.32. expenses were approx. \$3,000. Needed to rent a van and tables this year, Profit: \$28,299.68. Still waiting on the final amount for the Kohls Cares program donation. Estimating another \$1000. Will have final number by meeting in September. Thank you to everyone who helped.</p>
<p>Brittany Gourley- Vice President – Committee chair</p>	<p>5th Grade Farewell- June 16th. Thank you to Diana Galvez who is working with the committee to plan the event. Will be the kick ball game again with a DJ and video. Looking for volunteers to chaperone - non 5th grade parents. Please reach out if you are available. Scholarships: interviews planned on 5/24 via zoom. Six \$1,000 scholarships will be given at graduation. Thank you to Kate Harada who has been coordinating. Teacher Appreciations: thank you so much to Megan and Trina for all of your hard work. Nicole: thank you notes and emails from teachers. Two prize give away for each school from Target and Dunellen Bagel.</p>

	Red Ribbon Week: Need a committee chair for next year to help plan. Please reach out to Brittany or Maria. Nicole: Back to school Luncheon – also looking to have someone chair that committee.
Tracey K- Vice President - Grade Level Oversight	Report Given by Nicole: Will be reaching out to 3 rd Grade Team Leaders. Will need 2 volunteers from each class for upcoming Ethnic Festival on June 3 rd . Also will be reaching out regarding End of year parties.
Beth Willoughby- Teacher Liaison	Thank you to Dunellen PTO for teachers appreciation ativities. DUNELLEN PRIDE was also happy to work with the PTO to help with the Tricky Tray. Mr. Tseng - also thank you to PTO for teachers appreciation and look forward to helping with Tricky tray again next year.
Rebecca Gendrano: Corresponding Secretary	Talent Show- Submissions are coming in. Extending deadline to May 25 to submit the form. Next meeting will be June 9.
Open discussion	none
Meeting adjourned	7:35