

# DELAWARE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL PTA

## December 9, 2009 MEETING MINUTES

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*Volunteers are unpaid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.*

### I) Call to Order 7:10 pm

**In Attendance:** Jeannie Colalillo, Janice Badore, Theresa Apostolis, Tracy Giannattasio, Karen Falk, Jill Mongelli, Liza Davis, Jeannine Calhoun, Sally Rosenberg, Marla Knappe, Jean Hyatt, Beth Benta, Tom Bruhl

II) **President's Welcome and Remarks** *Welcome to all.*

III) **Presentations** (none scheduled)

IV) **Motion** to approve November meeting minutes  
*K Falk moved, T Bruhl 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7 yea, 0 nay, 4 abstentions, passed*

### V) Officer's Reports

a) **President** – Jeannie Colalillo  
*Directory-some 2<sup>nd</sup> graders haven't gotten them yet. Hopefully everyone will get theirs soon. Contact the PTA if you need one. PTA will send Mike Maggio a \$100 gift certificate (already in the budget) to Harvest Moon restaurant. Mike types the directory every year.*

b) **Vice-president ES** – Tom Bruhl

Motion: *The PTA Executive Board has reviewed the Technology projects proposed by Mr. Serrone and Mrs. Ryan at the October PTA meeting, and the funds available in the PTA general account. This motion is to approve the spending by the PTA of \$7900, raised by cookbook sales and from its general account, to support technology needs of Delaware Township School. The funds would be used to purchase a Smart Board 680 WS-100 (\$6000), 5 Senteo remotes (\$400), 10 digital cameras (\$1300), and 10 digital storage cards for the cameras (\$200). It is expected that the school will provide appropriate professional development training for the proper usage of these items.*

*T Bruhl moved, K Falk 2<sup>nd</sup>, no discussion or amendments, 12 yea, 0 nay, 0 abstain PASS*

c) **Vice-president MS** – Karen Falk (no separate report)

d) **Treasurer** – Janice Badore

*Janice presented the treasurer's report, and noted that the DTS PTA received a **grant** of \$500 from the firm Saul Ewing to go to the Broadcast Studio. Our thanks to Saul Ewing. Also noted that **SilverGraphics** profited \$1463, thanks to your purchases!!*

Motion: *to approve the Treasurer's report.*

*T Bruhl moved, K Falk 2<sup>nd</sup>, no discussion or amendments, 12 yea, 0 nay, 0 abstain PASS*

e) **Secretary** – Liza Davis (no separate report)

### VI) Standing Committee Reports

a) **Communications Committee**

b) **Finance Committee**

GIFT CARDS *We received 9 responses to the Giant gift card poll. With such low interest, we chose not to add the feature at this time. We are still looking for volunteers to help with card order fulfillment.*

c) **Elementary School Committee**

*Tom Bruhl presented info. on an assembly, "Music of the Andes". For all grades, this is an introduction to the dress, dance, music and culture of Latin America.*

Motion: *to approve \$600 for the elementary school budget for the "Music of the Andes" assembly, and \$300 from the middle school budget for the corresponding middle school assembly. This is a continuation of the multicultural assembly theme.*

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d) **Middle School Committee** *(no separate report)*

e) **Events Committee**

*We discussed the possibility of a Family Fun Night type of event I March - the idea is an indoor carnival fund- and fun- raiser, with dinner a possibility, as well. Would be a K-4 event with 5<sup>th</sup> graders running the games (supervised, of course!).*

**VII) Board of Education report**

- a) *At the end of the year, there will be a vacancy on the BOE. Anyone interested in serving on the BOE should contact Gary Johnston in the Board office for more information.*
- b) *Mrs. Ryan reviewed the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade NJASK scores. She and teachers out together a plan to improve the scores for LA and Math.*
- c) *Budget still a concern due to the increases in healthcare costs.*  
*General discussion of the standardized testing*

**VIII) Principal's Report** *none given*

**IX) DTEA Report**

*Thanks to Jeannie Colalillo, Mrs. Ryan & Dr. Weiner, for participating in Teacher for a Day.*

**X) Discussion**

**XI) Old Business**

- a) *General discussion of the Spiritwear online ordering program. Light participation for the Fall online store. We'll try to increase participation in the Spring.*
- b) *Discussion of the Peddler's Village shopping program. Send your Peddler's Village vouchers into the office in an envelope marked PTA. Flyers for BoxTops and Peddler's Village shopping incentive programs have gone out and will be distributed once again before the holidays.*

XII) **New Business** *General discussion of fundraiser ideas: winetasting event where we would work with a wholesaler; Las Vegas casino night.*

**XIII) Reminders & Upcoming Events**

- a) **SilverGraphics pickup** in the backstage area *by the gym* at these times:  
Fri. 12/18: 9-11, noon - 4/Mon. 12/21: noon - 6; Tues., 12/22: 12-3 (during Mouse Show), 3-6
- b) **NEXT MEETING:** Wed., Jan. 13, 2010, at 7:00 (babysitting requests must be emailed by noon Fri., Jan. 6, 2010.

**XIV) Adjourn** *Motion offered by: Karen Falk, seconded by Jeannie Hyatt, no objections.*

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