**Dighton PTO Meeting Minutes**

**Date: April 14th, 2017**

**Meeting called to order by: Terri Fredricks at 7:07pm**

**Location: Dighton Elementary School Library**

**Attendance: 8**

* **Officer Reports**
  + President – Terri Fredericks
    - Officer Nominations-by-laws, each position was read aloud for any new position nominations; none were spoken for; nominations are closed at this point; to be re-opened next month before final voting.

* Vice President – Jennifer Cabral
  + - * PTO Expo went well--RI novelty can supply Santa’s secret workshop
      * Girl Scouts want to come to the Meet and Greet for our incoming Kindergarten kids
      * Yankee Candle fundraiser will be in place for the fall

* Secretary – Tiffiny Beaulieu
  + March Minutes Approval-Approved

* Treasurer – Julie James
  + March Reports Approvals-Approved
  + Teacher Requests-
  + Kindergarten-all classes, request for Living Science Materials; caterpillar larvae and butterfly food-$358.40-Approved
  + 1st grade-all classes, request $1,000 for Buttonwood Zoo field trip on May 12th-Approved
  + 7th grade field trip to Lloyd Center in Dartmouth, Coastal Field Study, go to beach, dunes, marsh and examine each area-going on 2 separate days-splitting the groups $957 April 24th and 26th-Approved
  + 8th grade field trip Canobie Lake --end of year monies all to go towards trip, $4,000-Approved

* Communications Secretary – Kathryn DeAmaral
  + - * Contacted by Premiere Martial Arts, they were very willing to be involved in any upcoming events-possible that they could come to 4th grade Step-Up Day on June 12th-more to follow…

* **Principal Reports**
  + Mr. Wheeler – Dighton Middle School
  + Social Media is not for middle aged school kids, great article in new newsletter telling more.
  + First day of MCAS went successfully!
  + Soup Kitchen Dinner coming up on April 25th
  + Nick Santos the Ambassador for Project 351 has organized a clothing drive for "Cradles to Crayons", being held March 29th-April 6th
  + Champions program coming to DMS in September 2017
  + Patriot's Day Program happening April 23rd in Rehoboth at Redway Plain, great family day!

* Dr. Manchester – Dighton Elementary School-not present
* First day of MCAS went very well!
* 4th grade sleepover was a hit! Kids and staff had a great time!
* Cookie and a book night coming up…

* **Invited Guests**
  + - Sheri Medeiros from Champions was here to better explain their program, goal is to become a full year program offering a summer school option.

* **Accomplishments**
  + Sweetheart Dance-was a great night! Thank you to Miss Massachusetts for spending the evening with our kids!
  + Silent Auction-made $2,000, lots of dancing and great fun!

* **Discussion**
  + Technology – update on projector mounts and school budget-table discussion to May meeting due to Dr. Manchester not being here this evening.
  + PawSox game-link is up and running on our website, every ticket sold through the link creates a $5 profit for PTO, the game is on Friday May 12th , fabulous evening out for the family!
  + Fun Run Committee forming-to be held on November 6th in the morning on the field between DES and DMS.
  + Color Run Committee forming-would be held on the same day in the afternoon if approved.

* **Upcoming Events**
  + MCAS – April 3 – May 26, 2017--all juice and snacks were ordered from WB Mason for both schools
  + Red Sox – April 14, 2017-tickets going out
  + Book Fair – April 24-28, 2017
  + PawSox – May 12, 2017
  + 4th Grade Step Up Party –June 12th

* **Parent and Teacher Input**
  + Open Discussion

* **Adjourn at 8:26pm**
  + Book Fair Committee will be meeting immediately after regular meeting.

President (Terri Fredericks) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Vice President (Jennifer Cabral) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer (Julie James) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Secretary (Tiffiny Beaulieu) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Communication Secretary (Kathryn DeAmeral) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_