

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School

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This meeting was held on Zoom, as in-person meetings are not allowed at this time.

In Attendance

Lisa Desrosiers, Judy Davis, Beth Cabral, Jeannine Carreiro, Mary-Elizabeth Perry, Cheryl Costa, Joe Costa, Michelle Roseberry, Elda Costa, Becky Brodeur, Claudine, Gisela

Meeting Called To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. Beth Cabral will take the minutes for this meeting.

Financial

Financial report has been reviewed and reconciled.

Mask Fundraiser

We sold out of our original order of 72 masks in less than ½ hour. We ordered 120 more, then 60 more 2 days later to fill the 241 that have been requested. 185 of the masks have been paid for and delivered. We are still waiting for payment of 56 masks. We have decided to only hold unpaid orders for 30 days. The unpaid orders will receive notice that their order will be cancelled if payment is not received. A teacher requested to purchase masks for the hockey team, 20 in total, so our designer is adding a hockey design at no extra charge. Even with the designer payout and costs of purchasing the masks, we are still making a profit. The original order has been donated by Lisa Desrosiers, PTO President.

Calendar Fundraiser

We have had many donation responses to our calendar. The list of what we have received is as follows:

2 \$25 gift cards to Boot Den

Car wash bucket from Autozone

\$100 check from Wayne's Auto Repair-we will use this as a cash/gift card box on the calendar

Oil change from Nahas

\$25 gift card from Lil Audrey's

2 \$25 gift cards from Woodman Décor

\$50 gift card from La Vie En Rose

2 \$25 gift cards from Lexi Lu's

We also have responses but not yet commitments for:

Color Street nail and bath item basket

Scratch ticket basket

AAA membership

Gift card to Vitality Fitness

We are requesting all donations be in by April 30th, giving us plenty of time to produce and distribute calendars in May, with our fundraising month being June.

When the calendars are ready, we will have the school send out a flyer with an ordering link to our PayPal account, to share through email and social media.

Bumper Sticker Contest

Lisa will be contacting Mr Rebello to send out a communication to all students for our bumper sticker contest. The winning design will be created and distributed to seniors at graduation. The winning designer will win a \$50 gift card.

Graduation Masks

We decided on 2 logo designs that will be put to senior student vote through Aspen. They will have one week to choose their preferred design. The idea is they will be handed out either with their cap and gown or with their yearbook. It will be a black mask with an orange design on the side of the mask. We are getting 360 masks and they are being donated to the seniors from the PTO.

Senior Activities

-As of right now, anything we or the school may be planning for seniors is tabled until the school gets further notice of what is allowed for gatherings/celebrations.

-The Senior Forum has been moved from April to May.

-If we are able, we would still like to host a cookout for seniors during rehearsal.

-The advisors of the Senior Planning Committee are hoping to host a movie night, May 14th, 8pm-10pm, with students voting on their movie preference. They have asked us if we would like to sell refreshments. They would have to be pre-packaged items; however, we could supply popcorn, but only if we either pre-package it or had a complete barrier around the popcorn machine area. We thought about asking Pepsi or the parents for drink donations. After further discussion, it was suggested that we ask if there are enough leftover junior activities funds to pay for the refreshments, so the students would not have to pay for anything.

-We still have shopping to do for raffle prizes

Open Discussion

-At our next meeting May 5th, we will be accepting nominations for our 2021-2022 PTO board positions, with elections being held approximately 2 weeks later. Position details/duties are available on the parent page.

-It was suggested that we hold our meetings on a different night to gain better attendance. Our meeting day/time have been a part of the bylaws for many years, so we will have to review them to see if a change is possible. Unfortunately, activities/obligations happen throughout the week, so choosing a "better" meeting day/time may be difficult.

Parent Liaison

-Teacher Appreciation-It was brought to our liaison, Mary-Elizabeth Perry's attention that administration was wondering if the PTO would fund a breakfast for teacher appreciation. She spoke on our behalf and we agreed at the meeting, that unfortunately this year our funds are limited, and our main goal is the students, through activities and scholarships, so we would have to respectfully decline. However, Jeannine suggested sending a card from all of us expressing our gratitude to the teachers that have worked hard during this difficult year.

-The administration has decided that PTO and PAC meetings be recorded starting next year, so anyone unable to attend can still get the information provided at each meeting. They have set up a special parent group Zoom account that will be used. The great benefit of this is that we will have unlimited time, rather than the 40 minutes Zoom normally provides.

-Starting immediately, the school administration will be reaching out to students, starting with freshmen, regarding Diman's re-opening plan. They want to gauge the students' well-being, both in school and at home.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Beth Cabral, Secretary

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 5, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.