

Delaware Military Academy PTA Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 17th, 2022

Attendees: Sign-in sheet was virtual and In person.

Diane Behnke, President, called the meeting to order at 6:35pm and provided opening remarks from zoom.

Commandant's Comments

Annual military inspection will be next week Thursday . Friday February 18th, 2022 will be dismal at 11:20 am. Today we spoke about the Vaping problem going on. Please see the commandant's corner as he posted it. Please look out for the following dates: March 9th asvab, in which we encourage the Cadets to take. March 23rd PSAT and lastly the March 24th Ring ceremony for the Students.

Guest Speaker : Mr. John Grant

Understanding Mental Health is tonight's topic. Mental Illness can occur when the brain is not working well or working the wrong way. We have an app on Band called Resilient Mind. Mr. Grant spoke about what is the process and the policy that DMA has in Place. "We take steps to ensure the cadet is safe and not alone as we figure out the next step". Please check our PTA website to get more information. March 22nd DMA will be having puppies for the students to get them feeling relaxed and not overwhelmed from PAWS.

Secretary's Report

We reviewed the minutes from January. After review, upon motion the minutes were approved by Megan O'Donnell and Diane Behnke.

Treasurer's Report

Jennifer McCloskey presented 3 budgets: Amended Budget 2021-2022, July Budget for 2021-2022, Budget As of February 2022. Motion to approve by Kim Williams and Megan O'Donnell.

Executive Vice President's

No Report. Today is Founders day and it happens to be that we are hosting our PTA on the 125th Anniversary.

Communication's Vice President

Megan O' Donnell: No report.

Committee Activity Update

Activities: Co-Chairs Stacey Broomall & Colleen Craft

Senior Breakfast

142 Senior students and 46 staff

Friday Lunch: Jen Avery

Our volunteers have dropped and we need some more. Kim Williams stated we need the volunteers to come forward.

Hospitality: Eileen Watson

No Report. Next event is the Ring ceremony March 24th, 2022. Leaving things Simple. Back to normal.

Membership: Tami Soltow

7 new members in the past 24hours. She has ordered some signs. Encouraged her students to get some freshmen students to have their parents join PTA.

Military Support: Anne Keunnen & Andrea Ziegler

Absent. No report.

Staff Appreciation: Julie Rubechi

Julie was Absent so Kim stated that, She is doing great . The next one is MArch 17th

Designer Bag Bingo: Diane Hedrick

Bingo was postponed. We will probably be doing something in April or May. Stay tuned.

Open Floor to New Business: Public Comment

Maria Enderica stated we need help with prom that will take place May 26th for Juniors and Seniors. Jennifer McCloskey stated PTA will help with prom.

Next Meeting

The next PTA meeting will be held on March 16 at 6:30pm at the Mess Hall. Please check for the virtual link on the Band App, our website or facebook page. You may register on the PTA website for the link.

Adjournment

Closing remarks and thanks were presented by Diane Behnke. There being no further business before PTA, upon motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m Motion to approve was Diane Behnke and Jennifer McCloskey.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jayce Leon, DMA PTA Secretary

