

**Dogwood Elementary General PTO Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 25, 2020**  
**9:00 am via Zoom**  
**Minutes Recorded by Leanne Howell**

**Attendance:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Viotti     | <input type="checkbox"/> Stacy High                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aimee Puryear                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carie Alley      | <input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Brown             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marley Slutz      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nabiha Huda      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tina Thorn      | <input type="checkbox"/> Leigh Daigle                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Holly Kulp       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hayley White    | <input type="checkbox"/> Tiffany Hatcher Smith        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christina Hester | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ashley Webb     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annabella Brandon |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leanne Howell    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Strain     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elizabeth Gates   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christina Arnold            | <input type="checkbox"/> Jamie McGill               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Woody     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Ueleke      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jamie Bialowitz | <input type="checkbox"/> Heather Fisher               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amy Carter       | <input type="checkbox"/> Debbie Brown               | <input type="checkbox"/> Joye Phipps                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carrie Mayrhofer            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katie Laird     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robin Snipes      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jana Savage      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jenna Cox       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelly Martens     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bethany Slocum   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristen Waddell |   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Ann Gee                    |   |

Meeting called to order at 9:03am by Karen Viotti.

Meeting minutes from July approved as is.

Jessica Woody, DES Principal-

- Great first week! TY to our amazing staff.
- Reach out to teachers first when problems arise. Admin is then available if you need them!
- Ms. Taylor has resigned as attendance secretary. Ms. Jones from HMS will be replacing her when she is replaced at HMS.
- District wide virtual curriculum night on September 1st and 3rd. Teachers will send links.
- Kids doing great with masks, and adjusting well to safety protocol changes.
- TY to PTO for help with carline and kindergarten phase in days.
- District Roadmap webpage answers many "what if" questions and is a good resource.
- Surprise fire drill yesterday went great.
- 98% finished with renovations. Once ours and HHS projects are complete, the outdoor classroom and shade placement will begin.

Karen Viotti, PTO President-

- Ms. Schurtz is the DES Title I coordinator-she is looking for volunteers for this Thursday's meeting to have a parent from each grade level. Email KV if available. (Video segment shown explaining Title I)

Robyn Rudisill, Germantown Educational Foundation-

- TY for DES involvement in the “race” this summer for the foundation.
- \$2,420 went to DES because of early bird registrations. No money was actually lost due to race not occurring. \$6,000 went to teachers district wide through the foundation. Next year, a trophy will be given to school with most participants.
- International Paper will be the sponsor again this year. Teachers will get a box of paper each. TY to IP for that.
- TY to Girl Scouts who donated 600 boxes of cookies.

Karen Viotti, PTO President-

- TY to Amy P. for Welcome Back Breakfast
- TY to all who helped with move in day
- TY to Marley S for Teacher Treats
- TY to those who helped set up teacher’s lounge
- TY to Jamie B for Membership
- TY to Carrie M on redesigning Dolphin Digest
- TY to Ann G for room parent organization
- TY to Nabiha for design and social media help
- TY to Holly Kulp for organizing storage space
- TY to Angela Griffith for masking Daisy statue
- TY to Katie L for welcoming new families
- TY to Carie A for new family tours and first week decorations
- TY to all for teacher love notes!
- TY to Ryan S for DES Dads help
- TY to Jana S for community cares to some teachers
- TY to Beth U for beautifying the front entry
- TY to all who have helped with virtual packet pickup
- TY to all who helped with carline
- Board members were emailed the directions for usage of the PTO storage unit. Carie Alley and KV will have keys. No one should visit the storage unit alone or after dark. Google doc for sign in/out of materials should be used.
- Intercoms and phones are still be worked on in the school.

Nabiha Huda, VP Hospitality-Teachers were treated to Mempops first week, and the posters and love notes were a hit! TY!

Holly Kulp, VP Operations-appropriations committee will meet soon to determine surplus funds distribution. More info to come at next meeting.

Carie Alley, VP Events-

- TY for back entrance decoration help to Nabiha Huda.
- Family Fun Night info coming soon

Leanne Howell, Secretary-please use chat to sign in.

Christina Hester, Treasurer-

- Great job with reimbursements so far. Dropping off at CH's house for now. Text her to let know.
- \$1,892 spending in July

Beth Ueleke, Beautification-make sure to notice new planters! National Walk to School Day coming in October.

Tina Thorn, Family Movie Night-

- No outdoor FMN at the school-exploring drive thru pick up options for Family Fun Night. Cookie decoration kits coming with it. Minute to win it style games. No screens. Looking at vendors for preorder pick up dinner options too. Email TT with any ideas.

Ashley Webb, Health and Wellness-no parents in wellness room for now.

Ryan Strain, Legislative-GBOE work session at 5:30 and meeting at 6:30 tonight. Can watch on GMSD You Tube channel.

Jamie Bialowitz, Membership and Directory- 27% of students families have joined. Labor Day last year we had 60%.

Katie Laird, New Parent Liaison-TY to KV and CA for helping out with tours. Staggered drop offs for kinders went well. Still looking at ways for new families to see the school.

Kristen Waddell, Publicity-Email KW if you would like admin status for FB page.

Karen Viotti speaking for Ann Gee-Room Parent's still needed for some classes: Allen, Martens, Schurtz, Brocato, Berry, Nelson, Carmichael, Boyce, Guynes.

KV-PTO schoology page may be coming.

Jenna Cox makes motion to approve 2020-2021 standing rules. Nabiha Huda seconds. No discussion. Standing rules are voted into approval.

Christina Hester makes motion to approve 2020-2021 budget. Jenna Cox seconds. No discussion. Budget also voted into approval.

KV-last year's budget surplus will be discussed at next meeting.

Next Meeting will be 9/15/2020.

KV adjourns meeting at 10:10 am.