

DMC School Society November 2025 Meeting Minutes

Location: DMC School

In attendance: Sasha, Frankie, Kari, Keely, Kim, Stephanie, Wayne, Jim, Jason

Not in attendance: Sheree, Anna

1. Welcome and call to order

Meeting called to order at 7:08pm

2. Approval of Agenda

Approved by Sasha, Seconded by Steph

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

Approved by Steph, Seconded by Kim

4. Updates:

Fundraising Updates:

- Purdy's: profit of \$2100, total sales of \$7000
- Flowers: not so good, \$300 in profits but delivery fee might come out of that
- Sheree will be added to Fundraising group chat so that she can be aware of updates and be messaging Jason
- Steph's update:
 - o No 50/50 Fundraiser in December
 - o Will be doing Krispy Kreme Fundraiser
 - Leadership team can sell/hand out
 - Steph will contact Krispy Kreme to see what dates are available, will try for the 18th, before the break
 - Frankie, Sasha and Kelly can help with transportation
 - Will see how donuts do before booking next round
 - o Bottle Drive right after the holidays
 - Can Sheree advertise leading up to the holidays so families are prepared
 - Frankie: can we do the 3rd, right after the holidays?
 - Jason can set up remote messaging and pre schedule reminders for the holidays
 - We will need some volunteers
 - Kim: should we have a draw? Drop off all your bottles and put your kids name in a jar for a \$50 gift card?

- Read-a-thon:
 - o Will need a committee for it now. Frankie, Sasha, Kim
 - o Steph: good year for it at New Brighton, has lots of suggestions
 - o Look into donated prizes or money to purchase prizes
 - o Kim will set up a meeting for the committee
 - o Kari will send what documentation she has but can't help
- Food Trucks:
 - o Do we want to book them for parent/teacher conferences night or winter concert?
 - o Kerri will send out the email to Steph and Steph will connect
 - o Sheree will post on social media, Jason can send out via messenger
 - o Winter concert: nobody will want to eat outside and there is no room to eat in the gym. Steph will touch base for both nights and see availability. We can also book for spring parent/teacher night.

Insurance Update:

- We have new insurance, good for a year, expires October 2026
- Don't go with Marsh next year, they were very hard to work with
- Payment will be in the mail
- Steph will flag it for us to look at in September

5. Treasurer's Report

- Kim sent out the report
- Opened another bank account. We had maximum of 10 transactions, we got dinged \$50/\$60 for extra fees. Pay a fee for casino account every time we write a cheque
- Opened a third account for fundraising deposits. Use if for EFT transfers, if it sits dormant for more than 3 months, will need to transfer \$1
- Tracking Parks Foundation accounts, we should start advertising for that to get donations. Frankie will send Jason a blurb for that. We will wait until after read-a-thon.
- Kari is paid back!
- Kim asked the accountant for the money back from the librarian so that we can track the money. She can still use it, but we can now get receipts, track it, report back if we need to. We can have accountability.
- Thank you Jason for the \$60k for the amenities build. Kim asked him to hold on to it for now and Jason said he would, to just let him know when we need it.
- We are \$60k short for the build, lots of grants coming up in January, Frankie is confident we can bridge the gap.

- We have a DMC Treasurer email now

6. Other Business

Teacher Appreciation:

- October: did cookies. Kari had cute sign. Dropped off extra chocolate cookies. Caramel cookies will be for conference night.
- Dinner for teachers next week. What is the amount? Jason normally spends \$300-\$500 for dinner. We had listed this as something we wanted to do.
- Pass a motion for paying for dinner for teachers, budget of \$500.
 - o Frankie motions, Kim seconds
- Jason will pay for it and will email Kim the receipt for reimbursement
- December appreciation, they will be getting gift cards. We have one extra (61 gift cards, 60 staff). We can save it to use for something.
- Next teacher appreciation is March conferences.
- Steph: what kind of budget do you need if you want to do it monthly? Kari: \$50-\$100
- Frankie: conversation about quality vs quantity
- Kim: can we send a google form asking teachers how they want to be appreciated, is it the small touches, big touches? What do teachers want? What's meaningful? Jason: food is always appreciated, treats. They really liked the movie gift cards.

No other business

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 8:00pm