



# DALY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HSA

## General Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2012

### I. SmartBoard Presentation

- a. David Baylen, Director of Information Technology for District, Speaking
  - i. Thanked the HSA for donations that have made more SmartBoards available at Daly.
  - ii. First PWEF grant given to Daly school for a board was 6 years ago.
  - iii. Currently Daly has 16 boards
  - iv. Initially a complete system had 3 parts
    1. Board
    2. Projector
    3. Computer
  - v. Recent style has an integrated projector which allows for less shadows on the board.
  - vi. Advantages of having a SmartBoard
    1. Promotes interactive learning environment
    2. Differentiated learning: allows kids to participate
    3. Collaborative and cross-curricular projects
    4. Research shows that children are learning differently.  
The more interactive the better to keep the children engaged.
- b. Jackie Gilmartin, Technology Staff Developer for District, Speaking
  - i. Series of courses available to teachers for training
  - ii. Teachers are using the boards all day for various lessons
  - iii. The boards will work with any application, not just the included Smart Notebook software.
  - iv. Daly teachers are sharing lessons and preparing in advance for lessons
- c. Approximate Cost per system is \$4,000
- d. 5 year warranty for Board and 2 year warranty for projector
- e. District supports and maintains the systems

## II. Budget (Overview)

- a. Income (To Date)
  - i. Talent Show – \$1,700
  - ii. Hearts & Diamonds - \$1,081 Raffle Sales, \$3,700 Ticket Sales
  - iii. Daly Wear - \$463
  - iv. Linda's Gift to Go - \$435
- b. Expenses (To Date)
  - i. Gifts to School - \$1,030
  - ii. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip - \$8,088

## III. Budget Items for Vote

- a. Joyce Raimondo is the author that is speaking during Special's week. The HSA is proposing to buy set of her books for the library for \$75
  - i. **Vote – Yes**
- b. Nutrition committee needs approximately \$100 for the purchase of water bottles for the students.
  - i. **Vote – Yes**

## IV. Principal's Update

- a. Daly Bookworms Recap
  - i. There was a 50,000 minutes goal set and the children read for a grand total of 128,725 minutes.
  - ii. The children were rewarded with 2 free nights of homework.
- b. NYS Testing
  - i. This year the assessments will be longer.
  - ii. There will be both AM & PM testing
  - iii. ELA
    - 1. April 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Grades 3-5
  - iv. Math
    - 1. April 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Grades 3-5
- c. Dismissal Procedure
  - i. It is creating a safe haven for the children and is working well.
- d. Main Streamed Lunches
  - i. Special Ed students will eat lunch with the General Ed students to help the children socialize and become part of the whole.
  - ii. To date it is working well.
- e. Talent Show
  - i. Many thanks to the committee and teachers for putting together such a well prepared event that was a great success.
- f. 4 new hires to take over for teachers going on leave.

- g. Board of Education (BOE) Meeting 8pm January 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - i. \$2.7 million needs to be cut from budget to keep the 2% tax cap.