



DALY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HSA

General Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2011

I. Music Presentation by Daly Students

II. General membership Votes:

- a. Jonathan Kruk – Author Visit May 7th
 - i. A story telling program for the entire school that ties into the curriculum.
 - ii. The subsidized cost of the program is \$800.
 - iii. Vote for Executive Board: All Approved**
 - iv. Vote For General Membership: All Approved**
- b. Reading Supplies for classroom libraries
 - i. Parent volunteers will help to set-up level libraries.
 - ii. \$70 needed for labels, boxes etc.
 - iii. Vote for Executive Board: All Approved**
 - iv. Vote For General Membership: All Approved**

III. Principal's Update

- a. Reading Initiative
 - i. Daly Bookworms
 - 1. Bobby the Bookworm
 - 2. Expected to exceed the 50,000 minute school wide goal
 - ii. DEAR Time – Drop Everything And Read
 - 1. Going well and will end Friday, December 16
 - iii. Reading Baggies – working well
- b. P.A.R.P Committee
 - i. Huge support and going well
- c. New Student Day
 - i. Drop off remains 7:50am
 - ii. Start of school day 8:05am
 - iii. Dismissal remains 2:20pm
 - iv. Buses remain the same
- d. New Dismissal Procedure
 - i. Instituted for the children's protection & safety.
 - ii. There are 128 regular walkers at Daly.
 - iii. Proactive measures have been taken to help things move efficiently.
- e. Daly Theme – “Daly Reads for a Purpose”
 - i. This push for literacy has everyone excited.
 - ii. “Our Leaders as Readers” Bulletin Board – Coming Soon
 - 1. Pictures of teachers reading their favorite books

IV. Hank Hardy- Presentation of Guidance Services in the PW Elementary Schools

- a. State mandates for K-6
 - i. Requires Certified Licensed school counselors
 - ii. Help to guide social and emotional growth at this early developmental stage.
- b. Foundation of program
 - i. Ambassador Program – Students reaching out to other students
 - ii. Counselors available to help students through any type of ‘crisis’ they may be experiencing at school or home.
 - iii. Counselors work with teachers to help develop proper social skills
- c. Barbara O’Donnell
 - i. Splits time between Daly and Manorhaven Schools
- d. The Dignities for all Students Act
 - i. State program to begin July 2012
 - ii. Schools must provide programs at ALL levels for student counseling
 - iii. The district will not phase out the counseling program at the elementary level.
- e. Hank Harding can be contacted via email that is available on the Schreiber High School website.

V. PWEF – Update

- a. Getting ready to make decisions on Grant approvals
- b. Daly should take advantage of grant program
- c. Launched new website