



**Delano Elementary School PIE  
Meeting Minutes  
January 10, 2012  
7:00 p.m.**

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**Agenda**

Welcome/ Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thanks to everyone for attending the first meeting of 2012. Happy New Year!</li> </ul>
Agenda Approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved</li> </ul>
Secretary's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See website for link</li> </ul>
Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved</li> <li>Deposits: More Fall fundraiser money, DQ check, aluminum can money, Sock Hop profit, school supply kit check, football concessions</li> <li>Expenditures: Fall fundraiser incentives, Great American (Fall Fundraiser), bounced fundraiser checks, two grade level field trips, staff appreciation dinner, Leveled Library for book order</li> </ul>
Old Business	Leveled Library <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Language Arts committee recently met with a book seller and ordered \$11,000 of books per the allocated PIE amount. The books, which are all nonfiction, are leveled from a pre-K level to 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> grade to align with our K-4<sup>th</sup> graders and their respective reading ability levels.</li> <li>This purchase is in addition to the book cases and foot stools purchased last summer from BORDERS when they went out of business.</li> <li>The books, which should arrive within the week will be added to the computer catalog to assist teachers in locating them by subject matter as well as reading level, will be added to those book sets already donated to the leveled library by teachers and their classroom collections.</li> <li>The LA committee was able to receive an additional \$300 in books at no cost as a result of ordering before the end of the 2011 calendar year.</li> <li>DES staff will be undergoing a Guided Reading in-service with specialists from the Anoka Hennepin school district on January 23.</li> <li>Member of the LA committee explained to PIE attendees that while many book sets were ordered, it is important to note how expensive books sets are. They vary a bit between levels but as an example, a set of 6 books might run for \$35.</li> <li>In response to a question from a PIE attendant, it was explained that the Leveled Library is an ongoing project that PIE has committed to supporting as staff continue to work on differentiating reading for our students.</li> </ul>
	Tiger Fun Fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Tiger Fun Fair is coming up in April. Those interested in volunteering can contact Jennifer Grant.</li> <li>The first planning meeting is coming up on Jan. 17.</li> </ul>
	Staff Appreciation/ Cookie Share <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thank you to the more than 100 families who contributed cookies for the DES Staff Cookie Share. Staff members were able to take home 2 dozen cookies each as a result and were very grateful!</li> </ul>
	Family Fun Night/Movie Night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In lieu of the typical February family event at the TAC, and as a result of no volunteer coordinators coming forth, PIE has opted to wait until May to finalize a plan for our second family event of the year.</li> <li>Possible ideas discussed at the meeting: outdoor movie night, indoor movie night, joining forces with last year's Night at the Ball Park event (set for June 1 this year)</li> </ul>
	PIE Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PIE continues to be approached by local businesses for partnering opportunities. While these opportunities benefit students in some way, they also benefit businesses. PIE is then faced with the difficult decision of which businesses to support. In the past, PIE has never developed a policy delineating the parameters for how to proceed with partnerships.</li> <li>Both the DES office and Delano Community Ed have policies for partnering with businesses.</li> <li>A focus committee was established at the PIE meeting to develop a policy for our organization.</li> </ul>

New Business	Parents' Night Event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Parents' Night event will be held Friday, March 16 at the Delano Heritage Center.</li> <li>• Art class flyers went home the week of the January meeting (and have since filled up fast and been closed) to develop art pieces to be offered at the Parents' Night silent auction.</li> <li>• Mr. Lahr is drafting a letter to local artists to invite contributions of their work.</li> <li>• If anyone knows of any artists who would be interested, please contact a PIE member.</li> <li>• We are still looking for business sponsors and volunteers.</li> <li>• The following committees have been formed to help with coordinating the Parents' Night event. Please let a PIE member know if you are interested in helping: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundraising/Sponsors</li> <li>• Art Donations</li> <li>• Decorating/Artwork Display/Set-Up</li> <li>• Silent Auction Management</li> <li>• Teaching in Classrooms during the School Day (for the classroom projects)</li> <li>• Helping with the After School Class (there is a teacher but helpers are needed: 2:50-5:00 every Friday from Jan. 27-Mar. 2)</li> <li>• Ticket Sales</li> <li>• Food/Beverage/Music</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Request for Funds: Art Residency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This year's residency is in the domain of Art.</li> <li>• The art committee has once again contracted with Compass to have "The Clay Lady" work with our students. She assists with the creating of a clay project (different project for each grade). She then fires all of the student work off site, returns the projects for the students to glaze, fires them offsite again, and returns them to students to bring home.</li> <li>• PIE has allocated \$4500 in the budget for yearly residencies. This is less than was allocated a few years ago and the budget committee will look at increasing the budget for the coming year in response to this year's request.</li> <li>• The cost for this residency is \$3600 for the artist. Supplies are an additional \$2.00 per student (\$1614 overall). The total cost is \$5214.</li> <li>• The art committee is asking the artist when she needs the funds for materials. If she can wait, PIE will evaluate whether there are funds in the budget to cover the material costs which are in excess of the budgeted allocation. If not, those costs may be requested of students.</li> </ul>
	Box Top Parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To our knowledge, Box Top parties have not yet taken place.</li> </ul>
	Treat Coordinator for Concerts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are in need of a coordinator to provide treats after grade level concerts throughout the year.</li> <li>• This year's remaining concerts include Fourth Grade Concert on May 22 at 7:00 p.m. and the First Grade Concert on May 24 at 7:00 p.m.</li> <li>• The coordinator would need to purchase treats and pass the treats out (or coordinate others to pass out treats) following all concert events.</li> <li>• Please contact our PIE presidents if you are interested.</li> </ul>
	Memory Book	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The memory book is moving along well.</li> </ul>
Upcoming Events/Volunteer Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents' Night Event – March 16</li> <li>• Tiger Fun Fair - April</li> <li>• Concert Treat Coordinator – May 22 &amp; 24</li> </ul>	
Next DES PIE Meeting: <b>**NOTE DATE CHANGE**</b> Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the First Floor Multipurpose Room		