

**PDTA Executive Committee Meeting**  
**November 5, 2007**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** B. Shapiro, L. Chaput, P. VanGraafleiland, B. O'Brien, L. Riley, S. McGrath, M. Brown, B. Canfield, J. DiBrango, M. Donner, D. Cerbone, S. Gager, K. Shield, Kristen Jewett

**Absent:** A. Balch, J. Menchel, E. McRae

1. **Sick Leave Bank:** Enrollment period has ended. No more signups for this year.
2. **Contract:** Still working on finalizing language before going to print.
3. **Extracurricular Committee:** Reviewed all forms from last year. Made recommendations for some changes in categories. There are funds available for clubs that have not been paid. The process worked well
4. **Special Needs Advisory Committee:** This sub-committee of the ILC is being formed to take care of Special Education issues and communication problems.
5. **Sales Tax Issue:** Go to [www.unfairtokids.org](http://www.unfairtokids.org) to send a fax. DPT is already addressing budget issues for this year and for next year's budget. Be sure to get the word out to vote tomorrow!
6. **Benefits Fair:** November 8, starting at 2:30 pm.
7. **SRP Appreciation Day November 20, 2007:** Mary Alice Price will send a letter about this day of honor. There will be stickers for PDTA members to wear. Spend approximately \$3.00 per person. Recognize all SRPs, but give gifts to PDTA members only.
8. **Membership:** B. Shapiro thanked P. LeVan and the membership committee. Great job!
9. **Grievance:**
  - a. Dental Insurance: Claims have been rejected, noting "failure to pay premium." This problem should be resolved and you shouldn't have to re-submit paperwork.
  - b. Domestic Partners: An affidavit is required. Four people have not received insurance coverage yet and it is still not resolved. The Association expects that insurance premiums paid by domestic partners since August 1 will be reimbursed by the district. Be sure that people save receipts for proof.
  - c. Workload/Class Size: Some English teachers at both high schools are over the 114 contractual limit. New contract states that co-taught ratio be 24/8. Some co-taught classes are up to 9 or 10.

**10. Scheduling of meetings during and after school:** More and more training is happening during the school day. This is difficult because people don't want to be away from their classes. Also, 19 of the people who were "invited" to SBE training by Holly Jones did not attend. Some thought it was optional. Holly let them know it was not optional.

**11. Food Services:** Some expressed concerns about service and quality.

**12. Building Reports:**

**CRMS:** Becky Axtell (Jeremy Duntley) passed away suddenly.

**JR:** Lisa Powers had a baby girl, Jessie Finn. Denise Rizzo's surgery went fine.

**PR:** Erin Ciccone had a baby girl. Jan VanVoorhis' mother passed away.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Balch

PDTA Recording Secretary (thanks for taking notes Len!)