

## **Oak PTO General Meeting Minutes May 10, 2017**

**Attendance:** Dr. Martha Henrikson, Kirsten Douglass, Melissa Lapica, Andrea Persico, Carrie Ostericher, Stephanie Konieczka, Malissa Empamano, Denys Kang, Jennifer Rediger, Laura Kendall, Lindsay oosterbaan, Katie Szafarczyk, Amy Cannan, Grace Shin, Nicki Hutter, Janice D'Arco, Padmim Kaushal

**9-9:30am: Coffee with Martha:** Thank You to our volunteers! How we "grew" together as a community; the year in review

**9:30am: General Meeting:**

**Co-President's Remarks: Laura Kendall & Lindsay Oosterbaan:**

- Thank You for all of your help during this school year. It Takes A Village! We're very lucky to have your help. Everyone has something to offer! Next year, try to pull in one or two friends to help our PTO GROW!

**Vote on 2017-2018 Budget: Janice D'Arco & Amy Cannan:**

- Janice quickly reviewed some of the PTO purchases including flexible furniture, ukuleles, STEM program, new banner for front yard, tricycles, 1st grade reading collection, and water filtration system.
- Added back \$1000 for field trips for Health Education at Robert Crown....which was the only change from website posted budget
- Discussion regarding whether PTO should cover cost of 1st Grade books versus Martha as they are/aren't part of curriculum?
- It was concluded that the 1st First Grade Books will be labelled as a Library Purchase and housed in the 1st grade rooms so the item remained on the budget for approval
- Discussion as to whether STEM stays on PTO budget or not.....decided YES
- Holly Dimitropoulos volunteered to be parent liaison for STEM/STEAM start up at Oak School next year
- Vote on budget: All in FAVOR, no objections; Approved and Passed

**Voting on 2017-2018 PTO Exec Board:**

- Nicki Hutter & Grace Shin next year's Co-Presidents
- Melissa Lapica and Jennifer Rediger next years' Co- VP's
- Malissa Empamano next year's Assistant Treasurer
- Kirsten Douglass next year's Secretary
- Exec Board Approved

**Class Picnics:**

- Dates are June 6 and June 7 ON CAMPUS
- Kindergarten AM will have their picnic from 9:45-11:15am
- Kindergarten PM will have their picnic from 12:30-2:00pm
- All other grades will have their picnics at normal lunch time (11:25-12:15)
- Meatheads will be providing/delivering food for the picnics. Kids menu will be hotdog or grilled cheese with applesauce, chips, and a water
- Teachers will also have lunch provided by Meatheads. Their options will be a chicken sandwich, chopped salad or a hotdog

- Room parents will contact classrooms re volunteers etc....

**Updates:**

**Grace Shin on PTO survey results:**

- 56 responses to survey
- Morning meetings still choice for PTO/gatherings etc...
- Interest in receiving texts and/or setting up a Facebook account only at 50%
- Most people don't know anything about the digital learning initiative, nor do they seem to be interested (Details: Grades K-2 will share iPads next year at no cost and then in 2018-2019 school year, grades K-2 will pay \$25 while Grades 3-8 will pay \$75 for iPads)

**Denys Kang on Lunch-In:**

- Lunch In every Monday next year except holidays

**Jen Rediger on Oak Grows:**

- Every Monday an Oak student got a certificate and picture and pencil. A leaf was on display for 1 week and then the student's leaf was added to the big tree by the gym
- Rewarding experience for both students and teachers to see best qualities in one another
- Wrapped up year with an author visit/assembly
- Martha added the Oak Staff to the tree
- It was noted that ECE has grown into Oak Community more this year than in the past...

**Carrie Ostericher on Field Days:**

- Theme is Hooties Day at the Farm
- Sign Up Genius will be distributed via Hootiegram and Room Parents
- Hoping to stay under budget with Ice and Jewel donations and dunk tank

**Denys Kang on Staff Appreciation Week:**

- Jamba Juice delivered to teachers Monday morning
- Breakfast delivered to staff from Panera on Tuesday (as well as Sweet Ali's and Chipotle meal)
- Meatheads delivering lunch today (Wednesday) to staff during lunchtime
- Fullers gift certificates will be handed out on Thursday
- Friday is a potluck for teachers

**Science Dads:**

- 6 different experiments planned for May 19th
- Teams of Dads working on ideas for experiments to be approved by Martha

**Committee Sign Ups:**

- SUG went out for next year committee sign ups
- SUG will be in Hootiegram on Sunday
- Various Committees still need co-chairs!
- Sign up

