



OCES PTO MEETING MINUTES

5-10-17

Place: OCES Café
Start Time: 6:32 pm
End Time: 7:38 pm

Welcome/Introduction: Julie Rozum, President, welcomed all to the meeting and thanked people for coming. We really appreciate all who come to the meetings and are involved. It's those individuals who make Oasis what it is.

President's Report: Julie gave a brief report on the outcome of the events that occurred since the last meeting.

- **Family Game Night** – This was a new event this year and the turn out was not great. There was a lot going on around the same time. Next year we will look into changing the time of year we have it.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** – Thank you, Jen Hoagland, for the AMAZING job you did with all the planning for this week. Teachers enjoyed appreciation treats throughout the week and ended with a Taco Bar Luncheon, appropriate for Cinco De Mayo. A cake for all the teachers was provided by Dr. Mel Young. It was much appreciated!
- **Buddy Bench** – It was decided at the last meeting that PTO would help to fund this project. The buddy bench was completed and was placed in the small playground. It looks really nice. Mrs. Keezer was in attendance at the meeting and suggested that we purchase another bench that can be placed out by the large playground. Everyone thought that was a great idea and PTO will figure that into their budget for next school year.
- **Special Recognition** – A very special thank you to all of those who helped to make this year such a special one for our students! (Jen-Hope Belis - Kinder Committee/Fall Festival; Christine Vezzola - PTO Membership Drive; Jennifer Hoagland - Water Drive, Bulletin Board, Teacher Appreciation Week; Heather Dinkel – Sign-Up Genius, Maria Penta – Donation to soldiers, Box Tops/Tyson; Eileen Keinath – Breakfast with Santa.

Principal's Report: Mr. Fennell provided information about the following:

- Congratulations to Katie Keezer for winning Chamber Educator of the Year!
- Grades K, 1st and 2nd took the SAT 10 (Standard 10) Test. This gathers information/data internally for the school to help identify which students are progressing and also lets the teachers know where they can improve. The results compare our school to the National levels. Results of this test will be provided to parents in a letter and it will let them know in what percentile their children fall.

- There was a discussion about the plan for a new “WIN” program for next year. This will be a great way for those students who might need a little extra help to bring them up to where they need to be academically.
- Mr. Fennell has applied for the open Principal position here at OCES. Interviews for the position will take place next week.

Treasurer’s Report: Victoria Schwetje provided the bank balance as \$36,749.29. We haven’t had a lot of income, but we just received our Spring Box Top Check for \$979. Many checks have been written recently to cover the cost of Field Trips, AR Fun Day, Fifth Grade Graduation and the Buddy Bench. A check will be written this week or next in the amount of \$28,000 to OCES to be spent on school technology. (This is what our fundraiser money was dedicated to) Approximately \$8,000 will remain in the PTO account as a start up amount for the 2017-2018 school year. A performance to budget statement was provided to each person that attended the PTO meeting, but if you have questions about the report, please contact PTO. All books are transparent and information is always available upon request.

ALL CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS (Julie Rozum, Melissa Portuondo, Victoria Schwetje and Michelle Sargis) WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE PTO BANK ACCOUNT ON JULY 1, 2017. JULIE ROZUM AND MELISSA PORTUONDO WILL BE SURRENDERING THE BANK CARDS. AS OF JULY 1, 2017, ALL 5 NEW PTO BOARD MEMBERS (Heather Dinkel, Jennifer Hoagland, Jen-Hope Belis, Janet Blanco and Ashley Faulk) WILL BE ADDED TO THE PTO BANK ACCOUNT.

Amanda Murphy will be conducting our audit once again this year. Thank you.

Foundation Report: Gary Cerny briefly provided some information from the Foundation. Congratulations to Mrs. Tiffany Brown for winning the Lighthouse Award at Oasis! The foundation provides scholarships to students and will be doing student of the month. This is a great resource for us. For more information about the Foundation, please visit the website: www.CapeCharterFoundation.org.

Charter Authority Governing Board OCES Parent Representative – A motion was made by Heather Dinkel to vote Robert Ross into this position. It was seconded by Jennifer Hoagland and approved by the majority. Thank you, Mr. Ross, for accepting this position. He will be attending the governing board meetings and will be the voice for Oasis. Mr. Ross’ position on the governing board will begin on July 1, 2017.

PTO positions – All four executive PTO board positions were open for the 2017-2018 school year, and 5 people stepped up and offered to take on those roles. Each person introduced themselves and gave the members present a brief explanation as to why they want to serve in these roles on the PTO Board. PTO members voted the following people onto the new board, which will begin on July 1, 2017:

Heather Dinkel and Jennifer Hoagland - **Co-Presidents**
 Jen-Hope Belis - **Vice President**
 Janet Blanco - **Treasurer**
 Ashley Faulk - **Secretary**

A motion to accept the ladies in the new positions was made by Mrs. Keezer. It was seconded by Amanda Murphy.

Congratulations ladies and best of luck to you in your new positions!

SAC Committee – (Student Advisory Committee) – No report was given.

Open Discussion – None

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Keezer. It was seconded by Victoria Schwetje. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Submitted by Michelle Sargis