

# OCES PTO Meeting Minutes

## October 12, 2017

OCES Café

- ❖ **Welcome/Introduction:** Jennifer Hoagland, Co-President, welcomed all to the meeting. Jennifer introduced Heather Dinkel, Co-President, Jen-Hope Belis, Vice President, Janet Blanco, Treasurer, and Ashley Faulk, Secretary. We are all here because of our children and we are here to support the teachers. Shout out to ProAmar America for a \$1,600 check that was given to the PTO for uniform purchases made by parents this school year.
- ❖ **President's Report:** Jennifer gave a brief update on events that we have planned and events that were postponed due to the Hurricane.

What's already been happening ....

- **New Chalk Walk** - This was a new event this year that was put together by Jen-Hope which was a huge hit. The students really enjoyed seeing all the welcoming messages on the first day back to school.
- **Welcome break for staff** - Michelle Hildebrand and Brianne Cherry hosted this event. Thank you!
- **Kindergarten BooHoo Breakfast** - Samantha Richardson and her team hosted this event. Thank you!
- **Miracles baseball game** - We did not have as big of a turnout due to the rainy weather.
- **Bulletin board in Café** - Lisa Marzoni is in charge of updating this which is done every marking period.
- **Box Top collection** - Hurricane Irma prevented us from promoting our collection date but Laura has been hard at work and trying to promote. Mr. Fennell will be duck taped to the wall if we meet our \$4,000 goal for the year.
- **Trunk or Treat notifications** - If you have not received an email from your child's teacher asking for volunteers to start a trunk, please reach out if you are interested. There will be a \$100 gift card to the classroom for the winning trunk. We will be having a volunteer opportunity for homemade baked desserts so look for that announcement coming soon. Ms. Gamboa needs volunteers as well for anyone interested in helping with the story time or crafts. There is a sign-up sheet if you are interested, please come up after the meeting.
- **Yankee Candle online sale** - Due to Hurricane Irma we had to delay the Boosterthon therefore we decided to do a Yankee Candle online only sale. This sale runs from now through January 11<sup>th</sup>. There is a 40% profit to OES on all items.
- **Friday Flyers** - We are going as paperless as possible. To eliminate some of the emails that the teachers have to send out and parents receiving all events and announcements are now posted on the flyers that are emailed weekly as well as posted on our school's website.
- **PTO Membership Drive** - Genna Futch spoke briefly about receiving PTO stickers.
- **Oasis Elementary Facebook Page** - We've recently updated the name to OES Families. All upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and school information is posted on this page and updated by Sam Richardson.
- **SignUp Genius** - All volunteer opportunities will need to be signed up through this and is a first come, first serve basis.
- **Smile.Amazon.com** - \$.5% of every order goes right toward our Foundation or the non-profit organization of your choice.
- **Box Top Collection** - FREE! FREE! FREE! Money for our school. The next deadline is Feb. '18. Our goal this year is \$4,000.
- **PB&J Drive** - Jen Bice spoke briefly. The drive will run from October 16<sup>th</sup> - November 18<sup>th</sup>. We will collect at different locations and events which will be announced. The donations are given to Oasis families in need and we will be putting baskets together for Thanksgiving. The first collection will be at Trunk or Treat.

- **Candy Collection for Soldiers** - Send unwanted candy after Halloween to main office. There will also be a collection at the Fall Festival.
  - **Fall Festival** - Jen-Hope spoke briefly announcing that this event will be November 18<sup>th</sup>. If you have not heard of any grade level or club creating a booth, reach out to Jen-Hope. Wristbands are currently being sold for \$10. You can either send in a check to your child's teacher or pay cash at the PTO meetings, Trunk or Treat or in carline (dates to be announced). If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with parking at this event, please reach out to Jen-Hope. Sponsors are also needed. Thank you!
  - **Breakfast with Santa** - Eileen Keineth has moved out of state. If anyone is interested in leading this event, please see Jennifer after the meeting.
  - **Boosterthon** - Will discuss at our November or December meeting as this has been delayed to later in the year due to Hurricane Irma.
- ❖ **Charter Authority Governing Board:** Robert Ross, Governing Board Parent Representative spoke briefly of the September 18<sup>th</sup> and October 10<sup>th</sup> governing board meeting and the Strategic Planning Retreat.
- ❖ **Foundation Report:** Gary Cerny briefly provided an explanation of what the Foundation is and what they do. Raise money and maintain togetherness. For more information about the Foundation, please visit the website: [www.CapeCharterFoundation.org](http://www.CapeCharterFoundation.org).
- ❖ **Treasurer's Report:** Janet Blanco advised that we voted to switch banks from Capital Bank to Achieva. The current opening balance is \$8,177.91. As of today we have \$9,527.88. We have received \$1,010.00 from the PTO membership drive and a check received from ProAmar America for \$1,645.00. We've had some minor expenses but you will start to see more as the Fall Festival approaches. Thank you!
- ❖ **Principal's Report:** Ms. Jacquelin Collins, Interim Superintendent introduced herself and Mr. Chris Fennell, Interim Principal for OES. Chris Fennell asked to let him know if you are not receiving the Friday Flyers that are emailed from him weekly. The school calendar is now updated on the website. Parent teacher conferences are being held next week. We were a "B" school last year; we are trying to raise that to an "A" school. Our mathematic scores have gone down, especially for this school therefore we've hired a Mathematic Curriculum Specialist, Dr. John Omundson. We are still currently working on the carline concerns. Jacquelin announces that there will be a change for parking for Halloween.
- ❖ **Open Discussion:** None

Jennifer announces that our next PTO meeting will be Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM

- ❖ **Adjournment:** – Jennifer Hoagland

Submitted by Ashley Faulk, Secretary