

PTO MEETING February 1, 2023

- Welcome
- Introduction of Officers:
 - Michele Hildebrand – President
 - Amanda Rourke – President
 - Jeanette Blaustein- Vice – President
 - Janet Blanco – Treasurer
 - Aimee Aubry -- Secretary
- Vote on Board Member Position Changes
 - A motion was made by Amanda Rourke for Aimee Aubry to move to Treasurer position and Janet Blanco to move to Secretary position. Seconded by Mark Monzone and Kyle Rourke. Motion was approved.
 - Amanda also noted that all board member positions are open for next year and to see a board member for details. She also encouraged anyone interested to pick up a copy of the role descriptions if they hadn't already (materials were printed and available on members' way in or out).
- Special Guests:
 - Gamboa (Media) –Presented by Amanda Rourke
 - Amanda read from the slides provided by Mrs. Gamboa; attached.
 - Arroyo (PE)
 - Coach Arroyo introduced herself and discussed the P.E. program. She discussed past events such as turkey trot and jingle jog as well as upcoming events like field day.
 - Schafer (Art)
 - Ms. Placke introduced herself and said that since Ms. Schafer couldn't be there, she had given her some notes to present.
 - The students started out the year learning about impressionism and the created Monet-inspired artwork.
 - They then moved on to cubism where 2nd & 3rd grade worked on a cubism collage, 4th & 5th did a guitar composition and K-1 worked on color and lines and guided drawing lessons.
 - After that they moved on to surrealism, discussing alternate worlds and how virtual reality sprang from this movement. She is teaching them to observe, compare and identify emotions in art. 2nd & 3rd grade are working on 3-D art, 4th and 5th will be doing 3-D paper mache shoes, and K-1 are working on pastel colors as well as using a Kandinsky chrome music lab where the students draw a picture and then they listen to it.

- Finally she noted that the Cape Coral library has asked her to pick 30 art pieces to put on display at the library in March/April so she is working on making selections.
 - Placke (Music)
 - Ms. Placke discussed the music program curriculum. They follow the FL state standards. K-1 uses First Steps in Music, in which Ms. Placke is certified.
 - Since we get to see a lot of grades 3-5 at events such as the chorus at the Christmas tree lighting, Aladdin, and Donuts with Santa, she wanted to focus the presentation on the lower grades.
 - With the First Steps in Music program, she approaches music with the younger students as a musical workout. They sing the hello song, do vocal exploration (e.g. mimicking the sound of a fly whistle), the echo song, simple songs/solos, and movement exploration.
 - She and two students went to the Florida Music Education Conference. She thanked PTO for paying for her FMEA membership.
 - The Aladdin play is coming up and she encouraged parents to consider buying their students a shirt which can be worn on spirit days. Programs go on sale Monday 2/6. They sold 831 tickets to the play last year so advertising in the program is a great way to get your business seen by a lot of people. The Aladdin play will be held on 4/19, 20 & 22 at Cultural Park Theater.
 - Link to presentation:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/145oOr35rdxQbMex_TkiPf7J1IOajrITFaZ8mspogF4o/edit
- President's Report: Amanda Rourke
 - Communication
 - Facebook – **OES Families and Oasis Elementary South**
 - Oasis Elementary South Website – PTO Rocks
 - Parent Square and Panther Press
 - Emails/Flyers
 - Past Events
 - Donuts with Santa – we were able to make a sizeable donation of items to Donate 4 Kidz, which supports kids in foster care, with the items that were donated by families at Donuts with Santa.
 - Teacher appreciation events included a hot cocoa/coffee bar, Christmas ornaments and a decorated tree in the office.
 - Frosty's Factory
 - Looking ahead to December 2023, we will establish a Frosty's Committee.
 - This is a volunteer heavy event with the younger students requiring a lot of assistance with shopping within their budget.
 - The committee will coordinate volunteers and have a committee member on site each day.
 - Upcoming Events
 - Family Dance February 10th from 6 PM-8PM
 - Valentine's Theme
 - Sign-Up Genius RSVP

- Baked Goods and Volunteers-Sign-Up Genius
- Family Fun Night in April. Michele is working with the Everblades to schedule a hockey game. A portion of all tickets sold would be donated back to PTO. Seats are grouped together so OES families are sitting together. Great way to get to know other families.
 - Parent comment (Mark) noted that the venue allows for concession stands to be used for fundraisers. Michele will look into that.
- Teacher Appreciation week will depend on FAST testing dates. This is planned by the appreciation committee and normally includes daily events/treats. There has been some talk that teachers would prefer a single dinner/lunch event off property instead this year. Michele will survey the teachers and admin to see what everyone prefers.
- 5th Grade Moving Up Party – met with 5th grade parents 2 weeks ago. Participation was a little quiet, so Michele asked parents to email her ideas for a theme. She will then survey the parents to choose a theme.
- Summer Bash – it has been requested that we hold this event again as it was well received by students and staff last year. One parent suggested that the teachers stick around by the bounce houses this year, as it was hard to control the kids without their teachers nearby.
- New Business
 - Spring Committee Leads
 - 1st Grade Committee Event is FAMILY FUN EVENT
 - 5th Grade Committee Event is the MOVING UP PARTY-Committee has started meeting, contact PTO Board to volunteer and get involved
- Treasurer's Report was presented by Aimee Aubry.
 - Current bank balance \$48,258
 - Past events net proceeds:
 - Boosterthon \$53,495 (exceeded budgeted proceeds by \$26,495)
 - Fall fest \$167 (short of budget by \$2,833)
 - Frosty's Factory \$5,671 (exceeded budget by \$1,671)
 - Since we made more than expected from Boosterthon, the PTO board requested that we increase the Summer Bash budget by \$3,000 (from \$1,500 to \$4,500) as this is what it cost last year. Amanda Rourke made the motion; it was seconded by Mark Monzone and Kyle Rourke. Motion was approved.
- Principal's Report: MaryBeth Grecsek
 - FAST Data
 - Prior to change in testing structure, students always did STAR testing 4 times a year. For K-2, STAR and FAST tests are one and the same.
 - Grades 3-5 have a new FAST test on the computer, which are taken 3 times a year (beginning, middle and end of school year). The FAST testing material is the same each time meaning at the beginning of the year they are testing students on material they haven't learned yet, so scores will be low in the beginning and mid-year tests. She encourages parents not to worry if test scores on the beginning and middle test aren't as good as prior year FSA scores.

- K-2 were sent home reports with their scores. Grades 3-5 are available on FOCUS under Progress Monitoring.
- One parent asked if there would be any adjustment or accommodations for students effected by the hurricane. MaryBeth said they haven't been given any formal direction around that but there are other ways to get to 4th grade and they would work with families as needed.
- She encouraged parents to go to the Parent Portal on the school website and review the school's testing data from the recent SAC meeting.
- She wanted to bring to parents' attention that there have recently been issues with things kids are seeing on their devices and bringing to school (e.g. playing games at recess, acting things out). Specifically, Huggie Wuggie and Rainbow Friends, that appear to look like kids content but are inappropriate. There are many younger students that are scared/disturbed by the material, and she's been working to address it.
- Playground update
 - Happy to report that the playground is making progress. They recently chose the colors and went with school colors of navy, gold and gray. It will be built over the summer and ready for the next school year.
 - Aimee asked if they had all the funds needed to complete the project. MaryBeth said that they received permission from the governing board to use reserves, which allowed them to distribute the Boosterthon money to the teachers to buy playground equipment such as balls, jump ropes, etc. Next year Boosterthon funds will likely go back to technology.
- The news room has been opened back up and students are enjoying the daily school news again, especially the weather report.
- Read Across America is coming up.
- Open Discussion
- Next PTO Meeting: Wednesday March 8, 2023 at 6:30
- Adjournment



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Oasis Elementary South

Treasurer's Report - Feb 1, 2023

Opening Balance - 8/1/2022 \$ 5,000.00

Current Bank Balance as of
02/01/2023 **\$ 48,258.16**

Income

	Budgeted	Actual YTD
Fun Card / Pura Vida	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,946.00
School Toolbox	\$ 800.00	\$ 685.00
Box Tops	\$ 100.00	\$ 171.70
Boosterthon	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 92,384.22
Trunk or Treat	\$ 200.00	\$ 266.40
Fall Festival	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 12,580.20
Frosty's Factory	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 21,236.80
Everblades	\$ 150.00	\$ -
5th Grade Graduation / Party	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Misc	\$ 500.00	\$ 71.12
Petty Cash	\$ -	\$ -
Total Income	\$ 97,950.00	\$ 130,341.44

Expenses

	Budgeted	Actual YTD
Bank Service Charges	\$ 20.00	\$ 30.75
Discount Card	\$ 750.00	\$ -
Pura Vida Fundraiser	\$ 639.00	\$ -
Boosterthon	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 38,889.14
Curriculum Enhancements	\$ 400.00	\$ -
PTO Office Supplies	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Playground / Recreation Equipment	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
School Improvements	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 185.00
Staff Appreciation	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,547.03
Field Trips	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 4,100.00
Field Day	\$ 450.00	\$ 369.87
Teacher Reimbursements	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 2,100.00
School Club Funds	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Principal's Fund	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Holiday Races	\$ 400.00	\$ 346.66
Bulletin Boards	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Misc School Request	\$ 400.00	\$ 37.28
Chalk Walk	\$ 50.00	\$ -
Boo Hoo Breakfast	\$ 150.00	\$ 122.40
Trunk or Treat (4th Grade)	\$ 450.00	\$ 704.05
Fall Festival	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,412.84
Frosty's Factory	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 15,565.78
Breakfast with Santa (3rd Grade)	\$ 500.00	\$ 672.48
Summer Bash	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
5th Grade Graduation (Youth Center)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Have a Heart Dance	\$ 300.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 94,159.00	\$ 87,083.28

Oasis Elementary Library

Mrs. Rhonda Gamboa – MLIS
Teacher Librarian



Media Center Lessons

- ♣ Lessons for K-2 focus on library skills and STEM
- ♣ Lessons for 3-5 focus on STEM and Technology
- ♣ Students circulate for library books



Reading Programs Sponsored by the Library

- ♣ Rainbow Reading Bingo for K-2
- ♣ SSYRA Jr. Reading Program for K-2
- ♣ SSYRA Reading program for grades 3-5
- ♣ Battle of the Books for SSYRA Readers grades 3-5
- ♣ One School One Book – All students in grades K-2 were encouraged to participate in reading of *Ivy Lost and Found* by Cynthia Lord

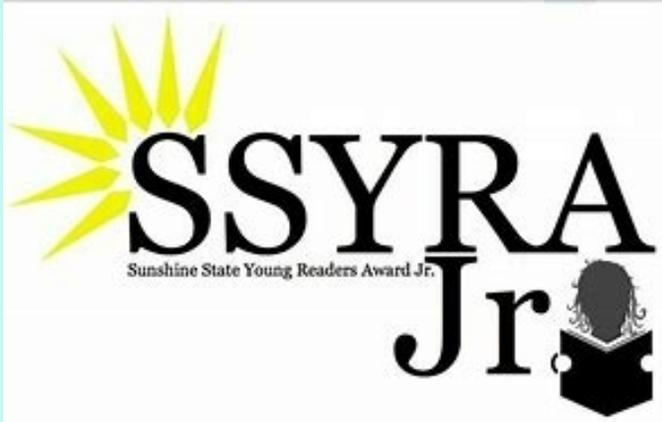


Rainbow Reading Bingo



Students in grades K-2 read books noted on the reading log. Then they return log and spin the prize wheel to receive the next color log in the rainbow. Goal to read 120 books and turn into a Purple People. Rewards: prizes and Purple People Party



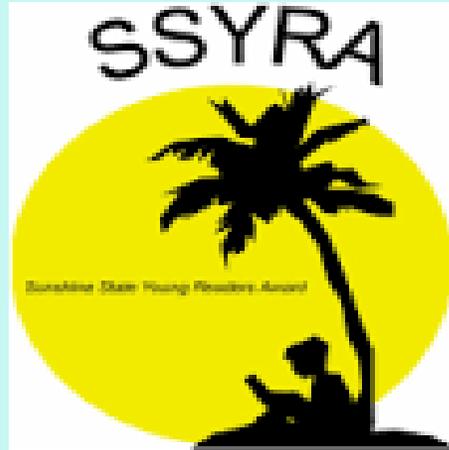


SSYRA Jr.

Sunshine State Young Readers Award Jr. Reading Program - K-2

Students in grades K-2 are encouraged to read the state nominated books and earn brag tags for each book read. Read 8 books vote in the SSYRA Jr. Election





SSYRA

Sunshine State Young Readers Award Jr. Reading Program – Grades 3-5

Students in grades 3-5 are encouraged to read the state nominated books and earn brag tags for each book read. Read 8 books vote in the SSYRA Election. Read all 15 and eligible to test for a seat on the Lee County Battle of the Books in May.



Book Fairs

- Scholastic Book Fairs

This year we are hosting a Winter Fair – February 2 – February 10

Family Nights Tuesday February 7 and Thursday February 9 - 4:30 – 5:30



Read-a-Thon

A fundraiser to help in building our library collection and provide rewards for our readers. Continues through February 5, 2023

Students record their minutes and if possible, ask your family and friends to sponsor their reading time.

Have your cameras ready to scan the QR code. We are looking for 100% participation in logging in and recording their reading.

Thank you, R. Gamboa



Read-A-Thon makes it easy, fun, and rewarding to practice reading at home and at school. Friends and family support your child's reading efforts by making a donation to their personal Read-A-Thon page.

HOW IT WORKS:

It's Simple.

1. Create Your Account
2. Share with friends and family
3. Log reading minutes online

HOW TO CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT:

It takes less than a minute to register.

VISIT:

www.read-a-thon.com/readers

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