



Oak Lawn PTG
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September 26th, 2017 Oak Lawn PTG Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/26/17

Location: School Library

Meeting Called to Order By: **President Ruthanne Farina** Time: 5:34 p.m.

All 4 board members were present.

Attendance: 21 present at meeting.

Alan DePalo, Ruthanne Farina, Yvonne Ricci, Sara Bogdon, Rachael Clark, Sibel Menezes, Melanie Zeitounian, Danielle Cox, Olivia Eacueo, Vincent Cosme, Angela Rekrut, Jennifer Trabucco, Meredith Moore (library teacher), Marisa Iacovone (art teacher), Josh Procaccianti (p.e. teacher), Kimberly Komocar, Chandra Dusseault, Andrea Liu, Erin Wynn, Dina DePalo, James Zanfini (principal).

Greeting (**President Ruthanne Farina**) - There was an introduction of the PTG officers and also an introduction of parents present and their children's names and grades.

Ruthanne Farina thanked everyone for their patience while the new board gets going.

Principal Mr. Zanfini thanked the PTG board for all their hard work. He wanted to thank Nick Mattiello Speaker of the House and the PTG for the hard work that obtained a grant for STEM scope. It comprises of science materials for all of the classrooms and we will be leaps & bounds ahead of others. He also talked about Blended Learning and how it has started in Mrs. Hudick's (Kindergarten) & Mrs. Mancuso's (5th Grade) classes and it will really enhance all students' ability to learn. He also informed us that there is a new computer cart in 3rd & 4th grade.

Mr. Procaccianti our P.E. Teacher informed us about a karate demonstration that would be held at the school on October 13th. He also spoke about the PTG fundraiser that he set up with with the karate school. There will be a board breaking event held on November 3rd at the karate school where you could purchase boards to break for \$5 each and the PTG will receive \$4 per board back. The karate school would also offer a free raffle where a child attending could win 2 free weeks of karate lessons. **V.P. Yvonne Ricci** will be sending home more info with a sign up form in a future Friday folder. **V.P. Yvonne Ricci** will be the contact person for this event.

Mr. Procaccianti also brought up the 5th grade basketball game and cheerleading and told us there should be 4 practices and 1 game against Orchard Farms. He told us that last year we had 2 high school children coach. He is looking for volunteers to coach the teams. The Dodgeball tournament that we will play against Garden City was mentioned and we need to pay the janitors to stay over their shift. We were informed to make sure we charge the same amount of money for admission as the other schools.

There was a mention of the Healthy Walk-a-Thon that will be held and that there will be one walking area and five activity stations at the event and we are going to need volunteers for it.

Sara Bogdon – Treasurer, went over all of our finances and let us know that we are in a great position right now. She presented a handout with all of our current financial information. Sara mentioned that we will be sending out a survey to all parents which is a great way to connect and receive feedback. It will give us an idea of what parents are looking for.

Ruthanne Farina – **President**, talked briefly about all of our upcoming events that we have planned. She let everyone know that all of the events are listed on Facebook. Ruthanne let everyone in attendance know that we will need help this year and if you are interested in volunteering just let us know. She informed us that our family dine out event at Chipotle earned us \$183 and everyone had a great night out and that there will be more family dine outs planned.

Alan DePalo – **Secretary**, mentioned that a “save the date” for the family harvest dance will be going home with an invite to follow. The family harvest dance will be held at Crowne Plaza in Warwick in the grand ballroom on October 20th. The event will have a DJ and photographer with a sit down meal.

Yvonne Ricci – **Vice President**, mentioned about the “Eagle Has Landed”. It was explained how it works. You pay \$20 and you will get around 10 signs on your lawn for a set time frame and then you will have the next address to bring them to and put on the lawn. This is all done in the dark so the kids are surprised in the morning when they wake up. All \$20 goes to the school PTG and we own the signs so this is a 100% profit for us. Look for info coming home very soon in the Friday folder.

Ms. Iacovone our Art teacher wants to do a few fun after school art activities. K-2 would be painting a Halloween bag and 3-5 would be a pumpkin painting activity.

Ms. Moore our Library teacher informed us that we would be having a book fair in November and again in the spring. She is also looking for volunteers to come in during the day to help her out with the fair. If anyone is interested in helping let her know.

We had a general conversation about the 5th grade yearbooks. Also mentioned was the need for 5th grade parents to help with all of the upcoming 5th grade events planned. If there are any 5th grade parents willing to help out please let us know.

Volunteer signup sheets for future events were passed out.

Kim Komocar (a K-Parent) mentioned a “Books are Wings” fundraiser which uses bingo cards and kids can win books.

Meeting Adjourned At: 6:30 p.m.
Minutes Submitted By: Alan DePalo