



## **Oakview PTO**

### **Meeting Minutes 9/19/2017**

Present: 15 parents and Mrs. Manzo! This is a record!!

Welcomes and introductions were made.

- Thank you everyone for coming!

#### **Principal's School News/Update/Questions:**

- Start of school year has been good!
- New additions/changes to staff:
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Math, ELA and SS changes
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – SS changes
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Science, Math, ELA changes. Welcome back Mr. Cox!!
  - New PE teacher
- Media center is open!!! Great to have it back! Mrs. Kempski received a \$10,000 grant for Virtual Reality tools and received the Make IT Happen award from the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE). Congratulations and welcome to Oakview!!
- Important Dates:
  - Friends and Fun Night – Sept 29 - Volunteers needed!
  - Lamp of Learning – Oct 3
  - Zombie Run – Oct 13 – Volunteers needed! School Council fundraiser (separate from PTO). During school, before lunch – kids will get dirty!
  - Olweus Bullying program kickoff concert assembly – Attaboy will perform – Oct 20
  - Parent/Teacher Conferences – Oct 18 & Oct 24 (more details on how they will be conducted will be sent out soon)
  - Pigout with Parents – Nov 1 (another one will be scheduled in the Spring)
- Parent Comments/Questions:
  - 6<sup>th</sup> graders are starting to feel like it is “their school”
  - Cafeteria is loud in the morning when all of the kids are in there – Mrs. Manzo to check on this.
  - Locker maintenance needed for a 7<sup>th</sup> grader – Prompt kids to speak up about routine maintenance problems (not their fault!!)

- Rips in Jeans – what’s appropriate?? – Message to students was “nothing hanging out” and “make sure nothing inappropriate can be seen”. Not measuring holes, just show respect for yourself and others with what you wear. Parents should call the principle if they need assistance with talking with their student about what is appropriate.
- Message to students when handbook was reviewed was to be Safe, Respectful and Responsible vs. reading the handbook word by word.
- Use of Oakview App – student would like to enter notes from class, but can’t have phone in class. Struggling to utilize app as intended for notes and assignments when entering everything at end of the day or at night. Mrs. Manzo to think about this issue.
- Do you tweet?? Follow Mrs. Manzo at @Oakview\_MS. Lots of pictures and information! These tweets also available through the Oakview app.
- Cafeteria Perks: Icees count as a Fruit!! Garlic bread is the bomb! Mac-n-cheese bar was impressive!
- Organization of a parents’ night out – Trivia Night – would be adult-only, offsite and parents’ choice to participate. Proceeds to Oakview PTO. Mrs. Manzo to consider this (if allowed to be associated with Oakview).

### **Budget and Financial Review:**

- Budget spreadsheet was reviewed:  
[http://oakviewpto.weebly.com/uploads/2/3/6/8/23685233/pto\\_budget\\_9-18-17.pdf](http://oakviewpto.weebly.com/uploads/2/3/6/8/23685233/pto_budget_9-18-17.pdf)
- Pay Not to Fundraise profited approx. \$3,000
- Reviewed budget items (copy of last year with Blessings for a Backpack raised to \$200 and \$250 allocated to gardening projects).
  - \$150 was spent on gardening improvements of front bed
  - Donated labor for improvement of bed by Kiva
- Right now operating at deficit according to funds vs. budget, but expect to close gap with Friends and Fun Nights, Kroger and Box Top funds.

### **Friends and Fun Night Planning:**

- Lacking volunteers for Sept 29<sup>th</sup> event:  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44a9af29a13-friends4>. Please sign up!
- Purchasing of concession items is planned.
- Future dates: Dec 1, Feb 9, Apr 20, May 4 (incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade only)

### **Future PTO Meeting Dates:**

- Nov 14<sup>th</sup> – Starbucks
- Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> – BW3
- Mar 20<sup>th</sup> – Oakview

- May 15<sup>th</sup> – Parent host

### **Spring Parent Teacher Conference Dinners & Staff Appreciation:**

- Catherine May is coordinator. Please let her know if you would like to help coordinate.
- Stay tuned for signups to donate or help.

### **Box Tops Drive:**

- Lots of Box Tops need to be counted. Mrs. Manzo said to send to school and she would create jobs for it.
- Coordinators will organize a contest for STAR classes to gather Box Tops – stay tuned!

### **Kroger Signup Drive:**

- Please sign up your Kroger card for the Oakview PTO!! Instructions:  
<http://oakviewpto.weebly.com/kroger-program.html>

### **Principle volunteers for this year (let us know if you would like to help coordinate – all help is welcome!!):**

- Friends and Fun Night Coordinators: Jodie Holden
- Parent Teacher Conferences Coordinator – Catherine May
- Staff Appreciation Lunch Coordinator – Catherine May
- Pay Not To Fundraise/Walkthrough Coordinator - Amy McCaffrey
- Box Tops – Julie Walch
- Secretary/Communications - Kim Schuster
- Treasurer - Pam Moran
- Kroger Signup/Payments – Jillian Chapie
- Garden Improvements – Elisabeth Hoogendoorn and Scott Taylor

### **Other Business:**

- See Principal's section above.