

Ocean Shore School

PTO Executive Board Meeting

Monday, December 12, 2022 • 7:00 - 9:00 PM

MEETING VIA ZOOM - SEE BELOW

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In Attendance - PTO Board Members: Tarra Knotts, Cindy Soremekun, Kendra Vara, Brian Wojtowicz, Faith Holle, Tanya Guido, Jeanne Bellinger, Christie Robinson, Lauren Macedo, Jenny Vega, Jessica Ellison, Virginia Clements

Guest: Principal: Jeanne Bellinger, Teacher: Bridget Gantner

Open AGENDA

Topic	Presenter
I) Welcome and get-to-know-you	Tarra
II) November Meeting Minutes: Review and Approve	Stacy
A. Rainy Day Fund Meeting: January 5th or 6th (instead of 3rd) and then February 7th, April 4th and possibly May 3rd.	
B. Theater in a Box survey – Sophie thought it would be great for middles schoolers ASAP.	
C. Challenge Day is set for March 23rd.	
D. Elna Flynn celebration scheduled for May 19th. In search of someone to plan the party.	
VOTE: November 15 PTO Meeting Minutes approved by all.	
III) Treasurer Report	Kendra/Brian
A. Family donations still coming in = \$34,000 (44% planned)	
B. 8 th grade PTO funded activities to date are \$11,500 (58% of budgeted amount). We are waiting to hear from six families who haven't requested a scholarship, but also haven't paid for their Yosemite trip.	
C. Winter Bazaar gross was \$10,180.25. Includes school activities and Saturday night events. We know there are expense reimbursements that will be turned in and possibly	

outstanding auction basket payments to be collected so we don't yet know what the OSS donation will be.

- IV) Fundraising Jessica/Jenny
- A. Golden Ticket raffle ends this Thursday.
 - B. Panda Express event next Monday. November's event earned \$66.22. Website needs to be updated with December's info and remove November's information.
 - C. Penny Wars planned for early next year.
 - D. February party planning. December's event was so fun that parents want to do it again. We should keep February's Moose Lodge date because the community enjoyed the event so much. We will do a family event in the Spring.
- V) Principal's Report Jeanne
- A. Winter Bazaar was super fun. Thanks to PTO for food and Jason for the music.
 - B. Wing Ding to happen Friday where the band will be outside and school will sing.
 - C. Band concerts happen this week and K-2 concert on Wednesday. Staff party will happen Friday after school.
- VI) VP Updates All
- A. December staff appreciation from PTO on Wednesday December 14. PTO will provide take home spaghetti dinners for everyone on staff (pasta, Rao's sauce, parm, Caesar salad and Rosalind bread). Will be assembling bags on Wednesday if anyone is available to help.
 - B. 4th/5th classes signed up for January staff appreciation. Parent reps grade 3-5 need to check in with their Ombuds to see if they need help.
 - C. Ball box was delivered to the school on Friday, D. Keller will be assembling it.
 - D. The LEGO area will be set up at the end of the D wing. Searching for sales on the outdoor storage shed or cart. The bigger storage units are much more expensive, so I'm just trying to find an end of year sale.
 - E. Spirit Wear is here and sorted and will be distributed to classrooms on Wednesday 2/14.
 - F. Parent Reps: K-2 & 3-5 should set-up caregiver gatherings when school returns.
- VII) Ombud/Parent Rep Updates All
- A. 4/5th grade rep: Virginia C. said thank you Jonathan and his crew for the best smells in the hallway all year—Pumpkin Bread Lollapalooza.
 - B. 6/7/8 grade rep: Virginia C. reported tomorrow is 5th Grade Step-Up Day for OSS Middle School. 6th-8th teachers will have stations set up to give them a day in a life of an OSS Middle Schooler. Glad this is happening sooner this year. Really nice to see 8th graders presenting at kindergarten parent tours. Saturday's Winter Bazaar food sales brought in some cash for our middle school. We will continue to try to merge the three grades together in selling, instead of each grade. Also is nice to have 6-8 ombuds working together. 6-8th newsletter will go

out in January to try and get Spring Help in fundraising and volunteering.
Multicultural Night is March 9th with Middle School fundraising possibility.

VIII) President's Report

- A. Parent Square channel for (1) ombuds, Vs and Parent Reps and maybe field trip coordinators. (2) PTO Exec Board, (3) Art reps. Having this type of communication will be beneficial to parents and teachers. This may help with cancelling field trips and theme days due to lack of volunteers.
- B. January 19th General Meeting: parent led "special interest" break out groups like special ed support groups, school funding, academic support, extra curriculars, new parent volunteer training, and other ideas. Jennifer Mitchell suggested a group on reading help for parents.
- C. 3-5th grade field trip to Point Reyes will occur end of March. Teachers need support to make this happen.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 PM

Upcoming Important Dates

Exec Board Meeting: January 10, 2023.

General PTO Board Meeting: January 18, 2023

Mission Statement

OSS's collaborative learning community of teachers, parents, students and staff form a working partnership to enrich the educational experience for the children. Because of this partnership, the school is able to provide an experiential learning process that is enhanced by cross-aged interaction, field trips, project-based learning, and community involvement. Each child's individual potential is maximized to foster a positive self-image, life-long love of learning, and strong critical thinking skills.

Vision Statement

Ocean Shore School students grow to be caring people who embrace diversity and are environmentally and socially responsible. They are curious and enthusiastic learners who develop strong academic and life skills. OSS students are critical, independent thinkers who are engaged members of society.

