

Olive Mary Stitt- PTA General Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2021

OMS Commons Area

Executive Members in Attendance: Holly Dunkel, Deanna Amelio, Kelli McDonald, Joy Chaplin, Craig Nolden, Chris Holt, Sara Campbell.

Approximately 25 people in attendance in person and 7 on zoom.

Call to Order 7:02 PM

1. Call to order- Holly Dunkel
 - a. Statement of best practices read. Thank you to RULER presenters.
2. Secretary's Report- Sara Campbell
 - a. Approval of minutes from September 15, 2021.
3. Treasurer's report- Chris Holt
 - a. Current balance \$16,024.66
 - b. Check request can be emailed to Chris Holt directly. Office also has check request forms. Working on QR code as well for check requests.
 - c. Fundraisers going well.
4. 1st VP's report- Kelli McDonald
 - a. Calendar up to date, and please let Kelli know of additions/changes that need to be made.
5. 2nd VP's Report- Joy Chaplin
 - a. 2 fundraisers currently underway. Spirit Wear (holiday sale), Just Jump.
 - b. Holiday Spirit wear sale is open. December 13th schedule for arrival of items.
 - c. Just Jump starts in PE classes next week. November 19th is when sponsorship ends. Can send donations in 'back pack mail', labeled 'Just Jump'.
 - d. Holly Dunkel: Just Jump is one of OMS' PTA biggest fundraisers- used in place of more traditional fundraisers.
6. 3rd VP's Report- Craig Nolden
 - a. Update on mental health legislations. National PTA 'Healthy Minds' has resources for mental health.
 - b. House Bill 0212: Provides that the purpose of the task force is to explore and determine a method and program for all students in primary and secondary school to receive mandated mental health care. Bill has passed.
7. Principal's Report- Julia Pemberton
 - a. Good start to the school year.
 - b. Between Thanksgiving and winter break kindergarten reading levels to be assessed. K-5 will be taking MAP assessments again.

8. Teacher's Report- Lynda Mueller and Erin Matray
 - a. LMC updates. 4th and 5th grade turning slide shows into videos. 3rd graders learning about immigration. 2nd grade- researching animals. 1st grade- Holidays of Light. Computer coding all grade levels.
 - b. 2nd graders dissected owl pellets this past week.
 - c. Mrs. Privett- putting together a video music concert for 3rd graders.
9. President's Report- Holly Dunkel and Deanna Amelio
 - a. Discussions about nominating committee, in adherence with the PTA bylaws.
 - b. Positions to be filled for the 22/23 school year: President-Elect, 2nd VP Ways and Means, 3rd VP Legislations.
 - c. Nominating committee consists of 5 members. 3 members elected by executive board; 2 members elected at PTA general counselor meeting.
 - d. Can email nominations to olivepta@gmail.com
10. Committee's Reports-
 - a. ABC/25- Ursula Guran
 - i. Grants are voted on at the end of the year.
 - ii. Coco Bomb Fundraiser put on by Berry Yo in downtown Arlington Heights.
 - iii. Get Burbed challenge will be coming in the spring.
 - iv. T-shirt design contest for Get Burbed Challenge opened to all students.
 - b. The Owl Way- Sara Campbell
 - i. Coat Drive underway, will be done November 12th.
 - ii. So far approximately 140 pieces of winter gear have been collected.
 - iii. Other initiatives will be coming later in the year.
 - c. Every Owl Counts- Karen Joseph and Monkia Tietz
 - i. Banner up in the commons area.
 - ii. November is Native American Heritage Month
 - iii. Want whole OMS community to feel included.
 - d. Reflections- Angela Roberts and Sara Williams (Report read by Holly Dunkel)
 - i. Submissions were due last Monday.
 - ii. Theme was "I will change the world by.....".
 - iii. 6-7 projects submitted from children of various ages.
 - e. Publicity- Gina Kuchar (Report read by Holly Dunkel)
 - i. Keep sending in pictures to oliveptaphotos@gmail.com
 - f. Yearbooks- Kate Halley and Megan Puzen (Report read by Holly Dunkel)
 - i. Email photos to oliveyearbook@gmail.com
 - ii. Yearbooks still on sale. \$13/each
 - iii. Still a lot of OMS students have not ordered one.
 - g. Trivia Night- Halley, Puzen, Hineline, Glasstetter, McDonnell, and Gabianelli (Report read by Holly Dunkel)
 - i. Trivia night committee has been formed.
 - ii. Adults only event
 - iii. More information to come after Thanksgiving Break.
11. Unfinished business
 - a. Nothing to report

12. New Business

- a. Nothing to report

13. Upcoming Dates

- a. Just Jump: 11/15/21-11/18/21
- b. Thanksgiving Break No School: 11/22/21-11/26/21
- c. PTA Adults Only Holiday Celebration: 12/2/21 7:00 PM
- d. 5th Grade Boys' Puberty Talk: 12/8/21 7:00 PM Virtual Only
- e. Winter Break: 12/20/21-1/3/22
- f. PTA General Meeting: 2/2/22
- g. Trivia Meeting: 2/5/22 7:00 PM

14. Britta Peterson, OMS Social Worker

- a. Discussion about SEL at OMS. Available for questions after the meeting.

Adjournment 7:37 PM