

**Orchard Elementary PTO
Meeting Minutes
January 16th, 2019**

I. Call To Order- President, Jen Drake, called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes- Minutes from the last PTO meeting on December 11th, 2018, were reviewed by everyone present. Megan Pratt made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented, Kriste Colley-Kummer seconded the motion, motion passed.

III. Treasurer's Report- Megan Pratt gave the Treasurer's Report. The current balance is \$24,671.19. PTO will make a payment to the Missoula Children's Theater for the upcoming workshop.

IV. Principal's Report- Mrs. Arsanto reported ILT and CLT committees had a joint meeting. One Book One School (OBOS) will be the week of February 19th-21st. The book is: 'The Bee Tree', which is a picture book. OBOS will be project based this year. Megan Pratt reported PTO has used a bookstore based in Portland to purchase books at lower cost in the past. Megan Pratt will check with the store to see if they have 'The Bee Tree'. The date of Orchard STEM night is February 26th from 6:00-7:00. Battelle will bring kits for the event. Mrs. Arsanto will let PTO know how many volunteers will be needed for the night. MAP and Dibbles testing are currently being administered and HI-CAP testing will take place soon.

V. Teacher's Report- No report

VI. Committee Reports-

Cultural Leadership Team- no report

Instructional Leadership Team- no report

Teacher Appreciation- no report

Spirit Wear- no report

Yearbook- Progress is being made and everything is on schedule

Chess Club- The Chess Club Tournament is February 23rd. Sonya reported all the rooms have been reserved with the district. There will be approximately 170 participants in the tournament. Sonya asked PTO for money to purchase food for the event. Money will be returned to the PTO after the event. The tournament will profit approximately \$1,000. Volunteers from PTO will be needed for concessions.

VII. Old Business

Missoula Children's Theater- An accompanist is needed for the event. The accompanist will need to be free Wednesday, Thursday and Friday during MCT week. Jen reported there is an overlap on the use of the gym during that week. Jen will check with The Boys and Girls Club to see if they could use a different room during MCT week so MCT can use the Commons. Tasha Bunnage will send flyers and permission slips home with students next week.

Parent Group- Angela Buck suggested having a survey sent to parents to get a feel for the interest level for this group among parents. Kriste Colley-Kummer suggested PTO create a Survey Monkey on Facebook. It was suggested the group could meet in the playground during school hours. Karen Lipp offered to help with the group.

VIII. New Business

SARC- Shelly Owens reported SARC is unable to present at Orchard this school year. Shelly will call on May 1st, when SARC begins scheduling for the 2019-2020 school year.
Remind- Verizon is charging customers for text messages. PTO will need to decide if we are going to use Remind for next year. A flyer will be sent home to parents letting them know they can use the App, or email to receive messages without being charged a fee.

IX. Questions or Comments- Cynthia Hargunani reported she will have a Cultural Fair meeting at her house this upcoming Saturday. Cynthia has between 6 and 7 booths arranged for the event so far.

X. Adjournment- meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm

Those in Attendance:

Kriste Colley-Kummer
Tasha Bunnage
Suzy Steitieh
Tammy Morrow
Sean Langdon

Jana Mapes
Sarah Landon
Alysia Arsanto
Angela Buck
Sonya Karanjia

Chris Spiegel
Karen Lipp
Kathy Preszler
Kelly Hoover
Cynthia Thomas-Hargunani