

Orchard Elementary PTO
Meeting Minutes
April 17th, 2019

I. Call To Order- President, Jen Drake, called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes- Minutes from the last PTO meeting on March 12th, 2019 were reviewed by everyone present. Sarah Landon moved to accept the meeting minutes as presented, Megan Pratt seconded the motion. Motion voted and passed.

III. Treasurer's Report- Megan Pratt gave the treasurer's report. Money was made from the sale of books from One Book One School, Leprechaun Dash earned \$832.00 and Silent Auction earned \$7,209.37. A sound system was purchased for the school. Megan asked Mrs. Arsanto if she was aware of any known expenses the school might have for the 2019-20 school year. Mrs. Arsanto is unsure of what her budget will be for year, but should know sometime in May. The PTO Board will meet to discuss funding of the Cultural Fair.

IV. Principal's Report- Mrs. Arsanto reported Orchard is getting a piece of art provided by a grant. Leadership Club would like to purchase three picnic tables to place in the alcove by the secondary wing of the school. Leadership has the funds to buy two of the tables and is asking PTO to pay for the third table. The cost of the table is \$1,800. Megan Pratt will check the budget to see if PTO can purchase the table, the request would need to be approved by the financial committee. Teachers are currently preparing students for S.B.A. testing. Orchard teachers and administrators will be placing students with teachers for the 2019-20 school year. Student profile forms have been sent home to parents. Secretary Appreciation Day is April 24th. Teacher Appreciation is May 6th-10th. Special Olympics is in May and will take place at Richland High School.

V. Teacher Report- Mrs. Morrow and Ms. Preszler reported kindergarten classrooms have chick and duck eggs. Kindergarten classes will be going to Harris farm. Teacher Pizza Delivery Night is in May. Mrs. Morrow and Ms. Preszler are hoping to get more teacher participation this year.

VI. Committee Reports

CLT/ILT- Sarah Landon reported the suggestion has been made that Orchard partner with Libby Middle School for S.T.E.M. nights in the future. The committee is working to narrow down the focus of Orchard's mission as a school.

Hospitality Committee- Sarah Hall has Secretaries Day and Teacher Appreciation Week planned.

Cultural Fair- Cultural Fair was a success. Cynthia Hargunani is unsure if she will take the lead on the fair next year.

Yearbook- C.J. Rodriguez reported the yearbook is complete. There are 277 books pre-ordered. Delivery of the books last year became complicated. Changes in the delivery process will be made. Mrs. Arsanto will communicate to teachers that yearbooks should be distributed to students on the day they are delivered.

Chess Club- Sarah Landon reported Chess Club will have one more meeting. This last meeting will include donuts purchased by the PTO.

VII. Old Business- no old business to discuss

VIII. New Business-

Chukar Cherries- Chukar Cherries has asked if Orchard is interested in doing a fundraiser. Those present at the meeting decided not to have the fundraiser at this time.

Open PTO Positions- Jen Drake will be moving so the PTO President position is available along with Treasurer, Jog-a-thon Chair, Hospitality Chair, Box Tops Chair, Spirit Wear Chair, Science on Wheels and possibly Cultural Fair.

Talent Show- Tasha Bunnage reported there will not be a Talent Show this year due to the delay of Missoula Children's Theater performance and the amount of volunteer time required to plan the show. Tasha is planning a 5th grade showcase. Shelly Owens suggested alternating between Talent Show and MCT in upcoming years.

IX. Questions or Comments-

Katie Ritchie from Carmichael Middle School PTO attended the meeting to encourage PTO involvement at Carmichael. The Carmichael PTO can be contacted on the school website, their Facebook page, or by emailing Jen Childers at: jcchilders@yahoo.com.

X. Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Those in Attendance:

Kriste Colley-Kummer

Sarah Landon

Danette Ramirez-Cap

Sarah Hall

Alysia Arsanto

Tammy Morrow

Kathy Preszler

Sean Langdon

Jana Mapes

Megan Pratt

Jen Drake

Shelly Owens