

Orchard Elementary PTO

Meeting Minutes

March 17th, 6:00 pm, Hybrid meeting (Zoom and In Person)

- I. **Call to Order** – Danica Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:04pm
- II. **Approval of Minutes**—February minutes were approved with adding Laura Clemens was in attendance.
- III. **President’s Report**---
 - a. **Folders** – are ordered for the next school year. We have acquired two new sponsors.
 - b. **Planners** – The board is checking into the extent of use. They will be supported if they are being used.
 - c. **Volunteers**—PTO had a table at the entrance during conferences. The officers there talked to a lot of families and collected contact information to continuing engaging with families.
- IV. **Treasurer’s Report** – Pam reported on the banking activity from February. Dividends were the only income. Expenses came from the Jogathon ice cream social, curriculum grant, Boeing grant for one recipient and Teacher’s appreciation. February ended with \$64,585.22 in the account.
- V. **Principal’s Report** – Students spent the day celebrating St. Patrick’s Day. Some of the grades setup Leprechaun trap and were trying to find the Leprechaun. It was a fun day for all. The fifth-grade students were treated to performance by the Libby students. Conferences were held last week. It was nice to see families in the building with some being the first time stepping in the building. The teachers were grateful for the food provided the night of conferences. It was a long day for them being there from 8am to 8 pm. As a reminder, drop off time is 8:30. There is no supervision prior to that time outside. If there is a need for an earlier drop off, send your child inside where breakfast is being served and there is supervision. The T shirts that Orchard Hills sponsored for the school have arrived. Next week class pictures are occurring. Two volunteers are needed. Full day or can be divided into shifts. Spring break is in two weeks. SPA testing is occurring in 3rd, 4th and 5th during the first two weeks in May.

VI. Committee Reports

- a. **Hospitality** – Eileen reported the teachers were treated to a baked potato bar. Families generously donated to this once again. Teacher appreciation is coming up. They will be treated to a meal. They are always willing to add people to the committee and their budget is doing really well.
- b. **Spring Fling Community** – There have been a number of people interested in helping plan the event. The event planning will tentatively start prior to spring break. Danica is waiting on a quote for a BBQ. Angela received a quote for a movie night. The timing seems late due to not being able to start a movie until sundown. Discussion still needs to occur on aspects of the event with the committee
- c. **Yearbook** – No report available. Angela did contact CJ to find out about posting about preorders on Facebook. She was told Dorian was working on getting that ready.
- d. **Book Fair**--- the book fair is set to happen April 18th to April 22nd. This will be a buy one get one event. Parents will be able to come in and shop. Volunteers will be needed, and setup will happen Friday before the fair. A sign up genius will be posted the week before Spring break. The Book Fair brings in credit for the library to purchase items. Looking forward into next year, a co-chair for the committee will be needed. The lady that was interested in taking that position is going to Badger next year.
- e. **Read to ride**—The forms have gone out to students. The student will receive a free ticket for Silverwood if they log in ten reading hours.
- f. **Jogathon**—It's time to think about starting to form the committee for next year. Planning needs to start prior to the next school year.

VII. Old Business

- a. **President vote**—Last month Danica was nominated to the role of President. No one came forward to challenge so vote was taken to make Danica President. She was unanimously voted in with a vote 10/0. Eileen then asked if there is a need for a Vice President. Danica nominated her and Eileen accepted. Final vote at April's meeting.

b. Playground Enhancement Ideas – Danica received the list of ideas from Mrs. Arsanto. We will discuss at the next meeting.

c. Officer Recruitment-- The board will need to fill secretary, assistant treasure positions. If anyone is interested, let the board know.

VIII. New Business

a. No new business

IX. Questions/Comments

a. Pam mentioned a conversation she had about the health room needing supplies. Danica did receive the list. Angela post on Facebook.

X. Adjournment – Danica Garcia adjourned the meeting at 7:04pm

In attendance: Jon Hall, Angela Kopenec, Danica Garcia, Tamara Morrow, Pam Rothwell, Rebecca Boyd, Kiley Buchanan, Laura Clemens, Alysia Arsanto, Theresa Buczek, Sulene Dapata