



Oak View PTO General Meeting

In-person Location: Media Center, Oak View

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Link to the meeting: <https://meet.google.com/aki-gciz-ygf> Otherwise, to join by phone, dial +1 520-485-7782 and enter this PIN: 571 492 322#

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Topic	Speaker	Minutes
Introductions	Becky Berkholz	Becky Berkholz, PTO President, welcomed everyone and introduced the PTO and their roles.
PTO Update	Natalie Anderson Becky Berkholz	<p>Events: Fun Run (Natalie)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kick off is 9/18, two weeks of fundraising followed by the actual run on 9/29. All classes are divided into a team – blue, gold, white ● Fundraising incentives – charms based on class earnings, weekend fundraising challenge, highest earning class gets a prize, team prize, and school-wide challenge based on our overall goal ● The actual fun run won't work without volunteers! Sign-up genius link was sent in last week's newsletter <p>Becky spoke to the importance of reaching our \$30,000 dollar goal for the fun run.</p>
Volunteer Coordinator Update	Amy Thompson	<p>Amy, Volunteer Coordinator, introduced herself. Amy helps get volunteers in the door, ensuring everyone has a volunteer application on file. This allows you to be in the building when an opportunity comes up. Field trips are a little different because you need a district-run background check.</p> <p>If you ever want to volunteer during the school hours, please reach out.</p>

		<p>Current needs are the fun run, conference catering (feed the teachers during conference week), and the book fair. We also may need volunteers to check student vision and volunteers for harvest bingo.</p> <p>Check Amy's volunteer section of the newsletter for volunteer opportunities.</p>
Treasurer Update	Michelle Anderson	N/A
<p>Meet Mrs. Mock</p> <p>Meet Ms. Seppala</p>	<p>Mrs. Mock</p> <p>Ms. Seppala</p>	<p>Mrs. Mock is the Interim Principal for Oak View this year. Mrs. Mock retired in 2019 from Oak View. She spent her entire 33 teaching and principal career in Osseo Area Schools. Since 2019, she has been filling in at other schools. She missed Oak View, so when she was asked to come back, it was heartwarming for her to know she got to come back to where she was familiar. She is committed to education and providing the best possible experiences for students at Oak View.</p> <p>A big focus this year is to get back to what really matters (post-Covid, after staff turnover, etc.) Mr. Kuendig had collected feedback from teachers at the end of last year, Mrs. Mock and Ms. Seppala are focused on executing changes based on that data.</p> <p>Some areas they are looking at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Positive behavior interventions -Providing opportunities for extra help and enrichment for students -Catalyst and the National Urban Alliance programs – teachers will go through a year of instructional development that all students will benefit from -A new program will be added this year – Oak View was a part of this program in the past for over 15 years. Students Connecting Through International Service. This is a school-wide, global service project to impact students in Sasabe, Mexico. Staff voted to bring this back to Oak View. This is only for fifth graders. All fifth graders will hear a presentation on the program and those interested in being an ambassador for Oak View will write an essay and one will be selected by staff. They will meet every other week with leaders and volunteers. Every family can participate in this by supporting a monetary school supply drive later in the school year. Student ambassadors will purchase school supplies and then take a trip to the US/Mexico border to deliver backpacks of supplies. In this small town in Mexico, they cannot go to school unless they provide their own supplies, but poverty and a lack of resources means most students are unable to do so. <p>Mrs. Mock shared about staff openings at Oak View. We have 3 ESP positions available. If you know anyone, please have them fill out an application. We also have a third grade long-term substitute position open and a Phy Ed position available, as well. Please spread the word!</p>

		<p>There is a referendum coming up on the November ballot. There are three opportunities for community meetings. You can go to any one of these (or attend via live stream) to learn more and get more information and answer questions.</p> <p>9/19 – Park Center Senior High, 6 p.m. 10/3 – Osseo Senior High, 6 p.m. 10/11 – Maple Grove Senior High, 6 p.m.</p> <p>Ms. Seppala is the Assistant Principal at Oak View.</p> <p>Ms. Seppala shared how proud she is of our students. We've had a calm start to the school year. The school has re-established our rules for common areas in the school. Students have risen to the challenge and it's been a great start to the year.</p> <p>Both Mrs. Mock and Ms. Seppala asked parents to please reach out with any questions or concerns.</p>
<p>Questions / Suggestions</p>	<p>Oak View Families</p>	<p>Judy Trujilo provided an update on restaurant night. Tues, Oct 17 from 5-8pm at McDonalds in Maple Grove will be our first restaurant night. She is aiming to set up our next restaurant night after October.</p> <p>Remember to utilize your employer-sponsored volunteer and matching gift programs if that's an option to you.</p> <p>District 279 Foundation Fun Run is coming up – you can still register. It supports our school media centers. It's a really fun day for families.</p> <p>Becky ended by expressing gratitude for our teachers. Sending a letter or note of gratitude to your child's teacher will go a long way.</p>