	Orchard Park High School PTO Meeting Minutes April 28, 2025 @ 7pm OPHS Library Media Center

Attendance

Heather M., Karry K-B., Jen D., Julie S., Karen F., Brandon P., Nicole C., Maureen B., Chris P.

Meeting Opened at 7:09pm

President's Report – Jen D.

- Welcomed attendees
- Jen called for a vote on minutes from March meeting
    - There was a motion to approve (Nicole C.) and second (Brandon P.) for the minutes vote
    - PTO voted to unanimously approve the minutes

Post Prom - Maureen B.

- Get Egg'd Fundraiser is done, April 29th Chick Fil A fundraiser and BBQ & Donut Fundraiser May 20th.
- PTOs are not able to take personal Venmos for purchases, we can use our square and will look into the toolkit In Person Store.
- Senior Signs may be picked up at 510 Toy Shop and Sports Cards on W. Quaker St.
- Post Prom donations are coming in, we are able to cover the vendors at this point. Vendors are booked. Gift party had gift card donations, Amazon gifts are coming in.
- SignUp coming for the Post Prom setup and night of the event.
- Call for celebrity dealers for the casino area.
- Brandon P. will announce the names for prize winners in whatever way works. Prizes drawn in the cafeteria starting at 1am. Seniors will have wrist bands.
- Nancy D. has agreed to be the Get Egg'd Chairperson for next year.

Member question about how many Prom tickets were sold. Brandon P. obtained numbers of 104 OP students and about 40 guests.

Vice President's Report – Jennifer K.

- 164 Facebook members
- Have submissions for the Newsletter in by this weekend
    - Send information to: ophspto@gmail.com

Secretary's Report – Karry K-B.

- Please sign-in at meetings and add emails if not already provided
- Minutes will be sent to attendees to review before the minutes vote at the next meeting

Treasurer's Report – Karen F.

- Reviewed the April Treasurer's Report
- 3 new PTO memberships purchased with the Get Egg'd purchases
- Funds from Get Egg'd are still coming in. Need final expenses to know how much we made.
- Other activity included Post Prom donations and ticket sales that are coming in.
- Other expenses that are expected are any receipts from the award receptions.

Brandon P. acknowledged that awards receptions were appreciated and well done.

Principal's Report – Brandon P.

- District budget overview video is available and was viewed at the meeting
    - Video included information about being able to retain electives, inclusive classes, athletics, smaller class sizes, support the Family Solutions Center, STEM activities in the elementary schools, and SROs in all 6 buildings
    - Suggested there is an efficient use of funds demonstrated by supporting the above with the 5th lowest spending per pupil
- May 20 vote, Brandon P. indicated that there is right-sizing without an impact on students
- For the Family Solutions Center any student that reaches out directly will be worked with, can self-refer to the center
- Open access to courses update - communication will be going out in a letter in May

Member question regarding lack of seating availability in the cafeteria during last lunch period

Teacher's Report – Ms. Markarian

- Ms. Markarian could not attend due to Spring Sports. No report.

Committee Reports

Instructional Leaders (ILC) – Chris P.

- Discussion included transcript changes for consistency and to have core courses listed first, the issue of students with too many open periods is not a credit hour issue, perhaps offer dual-enrollment courses and be sure students are aware of electives of interest as Juniors.

Member question about what the concern is with open periods - some students use opens for homework, is it that they leave the school grounds?

- Portrait of a graduate, budget update, master schedule work

Member question about Final Exam Schedule - Brandon P. indicated should be available June 1.

STAP-COMM – Julie S.

- Events shared including Senior Walk in June, request for a shared calendar with PTO to include monthly fundraiser information in order to coordinate
- Brandon P. offered to contact tech to set up a shared calendar

Building Effectiveness Team (BET) – Brandon P.

- Odor issue was resolved, a smoke test revealed the opening and a temporary block was put in place that is now permanent.
- Elevators repair/replace this Spring
- OPHS is on the list for a new roof Summer 2026
- Radios to be distributed

Member question regarding restroom signs indicating vape detectors that have been seen at other schools. Brandon P. described the approach to consequences for getting caught.

Member question about an epass or digital pass for bathrooms. Brandon P. indicated issues with this method and that it is not ready for use in high school.

Member question about the Olweus content and whether mental health, drinking, and vaping were covered. Content has a different focus.

Member mentioned the lanyard color system for teachers and visitors.

Central Council – Jen D.

- No meeting

Old Business - Jen D.

- Nominations for 25-26 school year PTO positions are open and the deadline is Monday May 5th.
- Science reception update from Heather M. event went well, pretzels/chips/ice tea/water offered, suggestion to move to the cafeteria for more space and table for attendees to sit down
- Tri M reception update from Karry K-B. a nice event, it seemed like a lot of people attended, concessions themed food including popcorn, nerds gummy clusters, Welch's fruit gummies, lollipops, Snapple and water. Attendees did sit, eat, and socialize in the cafeteria.
- Any NHS hours issues please contact Brandon P.
- There was a community meeting at the Orchard Park Community Activity Center given by LaBella Associates, the design team that will be installing crosswalks and sidewalks around the highschool (and other school locations)
- About 117 tickets were sold for the Spring Fling that was cancelled. Needs about 250 in ticket sales to break even. There was attendance Friday night, perhaps add a social activity night along with the flag football event.

Member recalled nice past event in the winter with smores, a DJ and snowman making - students seemed interested

Member question about the Senior Picnic including handing out caps and gowns

Member question about the helping hands kindness challenge gift cards

New Business - Jen D.

- See agenda for upcoming volunteer and donation opportunities

Next PTO Meeting

May 19 2025 at 6pm in the Library Media Center (7pm Post-Prom meeting)

There will be a June meeting in order to coordinate the early events for next school year

8:32pm Meeting Adjourned

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