

Orchard Park Academy

“We strive to provide a positive, structured and caring environment centered on student achievement and growth.”

PTO and Building Accountability Advisory Committee (BAAC) Agenda

2026 - 2027

Date: September 22, 2026

Time: called to order at 8:40 am

Location: OPA Staff Lounge

Present: Mindy Frates, Renee Lamb, Jody Weidemann, Cyndy Amaro, Lizet Santacruz, Lydia Vargas, Savannah King, Arat Ruiz, Samantha Gomez, Sandra Rodriguez, Abigail Lopez, Natividad Ruiz, Riccy Reyes, Virgilia Hernandez, and Nancy Lopez.

PTO Items

Welcome and Introductions

President's Report: Samantha Gomez: Shared with the group our ideas and vision for PTO.

Treasurer's Report: Jody Weidemann

Our beginning balance for 26-27 was \$5883.61. We had 3 deposits this year: 2 from Kona Ice, (May & August events) \$332, and Skate City \$333. New Balance: \$6,548.81.

Proposed Budget for 2026-2027: group discussed items that carried over from previous year. Additional line items are - Trick or Treat Street reward of \$150.00 & Skate City Rewards for the class with most participants for \$80.00.

Renee made a motion to approve the proposed budget for 26-27. Samantha seconded. The budget was approved with a unanimous vote.

Old Business

- ☐ **Student of the Month:** Our first one this Friday. Donuts purchased from Kings Soopers. Juice, water and coffee are also available for students and their parents. One student from each class is nominated and recognized.
- ☐ **Skate City:** First night in Sept. 110 skaters were there. We can earn \$1000 if we have 200 Skaters at any of the events. We would like to promote this monthly. The next opportunity is Oct 22nd and the theme is Pajama Party. Parents requested sticker reminders the day of the event to help remember.

PTO offers prizes and a Golden Skate trophy for the class with the most skaters. Kids receive a snack chosen by their class, chips, donuts, ice cream, etc

- ☐ **Parent Teacher Conference Dinner** - 10/19 and 10/26

Discussion took place to decide if parents wanted to add in the Feed the Teacher Fundraiser again and if parents wanted to cook/prepare the meal one night and purchase dinner a second night. All agreed to continue with Feed the Teacher this year again.

Parents volunteered to prepare the meal for Monday the 19th. They will work together to create a menu and shopping list. Our office will arrange dinner for the staff for conferences Oct. 26th.

- ☐ **American Furniture Warehouse Fund Raiser:** Jody announced that AFW has ended as of Labor Day. We should receive a payment from them in October.
- ☐ **Picnic Tables** - Read a thon 25-26. Last year we looked at adding picnic tables to the West end of the building for outdoor instruction. We tabled the purchase as a location with good options was not reached. Jody has reached out to maintenance to see if they had options for us. This may mean we need to add an allotment to help pay for a change in landscape. More information to follow.

New Business

- ☐ **Proposed date change for meetings:** Discussion of possible days took place and the first Wednesday of each month at 8:30am was agreed upon. Jody

motioned, Samantha seconded. The vote passed unanimously. Parents also agreed to move Coffee with the Principal to the 3rd Wednesday each month.

- ☐ **Open Officer Position: Secretary-** Lydia Vargas offered to take the position. Jody made a motion to accept Lydia as secretary. Savannah seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- ☐ **Coffee with the Principal:** After discussion, the third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 was agreed upon. The vote passed unanimously.

BACC: Ms. Frates

Introduction of Administrative team

Questions for the team

Next Meeting – October 7, 2026 @ 8:30 am

Meeting Adjourned: 9:55am