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: October 7, 2026 Time: 8:38am

Location: OPA Staff Lounge

Present: Mindy Frates, Jody Weidemann, Renee Lamb, Cyndy Amaro, Samantha Gomez, Savannah King, Abigail Lopez, Sandra Rodriguez, Ana Teresa Ramirez,

PTO Items

Welcome and Introductions:

President's Report: Samantha Gomez:

Treasurer's Report: Jody Weidemann

Old Business

- ☐ Student of the Month: First celebration went well. The next celebration will be on Oct. 30th. All items for the next SOM breakfast have already been purchased except for donuts.
- ☐ Skate City: October 22, 2026 - it will be a pajama party. If we get 200 skaters we will receive $1000, so tell all your friends, family and neighbors.
- ☐ Parent Teacher Conference Dinner - 10/15 dinner for the staff prepared by the parents. A sign up sheet for what is being made was passed around. Jody will shop for items, so the list of items needs to be ready by Friday the 9th. Jody will bring in the food, Wednesday morning 10/14 for pick up
- ☐ Picnic Tables - no new update

New Business

- ☐ Trick or Treat Street: October 29, from 3:45 - 4:45
- ☐ Read-a-thon: This year we are moving our fundraiser to March so it will not compete with the holidays. One idea is to incorporate it with a Movie Night. Possible ideas for a book/movie could be Wonder. Renee will investigate the possibility of an audio book that could share
- ☐ School Offrenda- We have created an Ofrenda for the school the last couple of years has been in the hall near the gym. We are hoping to have more participation this year. We are looking for art projects to help decorate it. We had sugar skulls that were decorated. A paper chain with a decoration on one side and a dedication to the person(s) they want to remember. Send something home to have parents help with the artifact and decorate then send it back to school for the Ofrenda.

  Idea to send something home this week for the long weekend for the kids to complete and return next week. When they pick up food on Wednesday they can start with the decorations for the Ofrenda.

  PK - 2 Copies of Sugar Skulls 3-5 Paper chains

  6-8 - banner flags

BACC: Ms. Frates

BLT Meeting -

- ☐ **Change in Dismissal:** We needed to make a change based on student behaviors at the end of the day. Starting today, Levels 5 & 6 will now be released by their elective teachers. Art and Technology classes will exit the front doors. Band and PE classes will be released through the doors near the Gym.
- ☐ **Attendance Challenge:** District wide as well as our attendance is a big issue, with OPA having one of the highest rates of absences and the district is really watching this. So to help, we are going to incentivize attendance. Ms Frates is willing to use some of the budget to pay for these incentives.

Next Meeting – November 4, 2026 Meeting Adjourned: 10:08 am