

Oakland Elementary PTO Minutes
December 15, 2015

Members Present: Jennifer Teichman Rechelle Levan Scottie Gomez
Diana Cook Michelle Gordon Shannon Gray Gloria Johnson
Stephanie Hampton Annette Ramirez Danielle Slikker

Meeting called to order at 9:47 a.m. by Annette Ramirez

Welcome- Jennifer Teichman

Treasurer's Report: Rechelle Levan

- Financial Report Distributed – Net Income \$13,359.91
- PTO has a new Sam's card that any PTO member can use to get supplies.
- Discussed Spaghetti dinner being not as profitable as former years maybe caused by less in attendance and the day not being grandparent's day and book fair. Talked about possibly trying to switch it back to a busier day to get more people to attend.
- Mr. Lane has a new Robotics club that is new and requested help buying program kits to get started. We discussed how much we have to give and had a vote. Everyone decided \$400.00 would be a fair amount to help them get started.

Communication: No report

Fundraising: Jennifer Teichman

- For carnival all volunteers needed for major projects has been filled and work is already in progress for the success of Carnival.
- Fundraising needs a lead person to fill the position. Asked for volunteers for this job. Gloria Johnson and Danielle Slikker agreed to share responsibility and take on this task.

Volunteer Update: Scottie Gomez read email update from Ilza Gonzales

- Email stated the VIPS of the month and one honorable mention due to new rules regarding any members of PTO that hold jobs being able to receive VIPS of the month.
- Discussed the honorable mention and Michelle Gordon agreed to look into this rule and check further to see what we can do to recognize non-elected PTO members even if they hold jobs to receive this award due to the selfless large volunteer contributions to our school.
- VIPS of MONTH is Amy Engstrom!!
- Honorable Mention is Rick Garcia and Dad's club for the amazing job they did for Spaghetti dinner and numerous other projects throughout the year. We are truly thankful for all they did and continue to do for our kids and school.

Dads Club: Jennifer Teichman read email update from Rick Garcia

- No dad's club meeting for December they will resume in January.
- Still looking to recruit new dad's to the club.
- Electronic version of Dad's club email t-shirt design coming soon.
- Orders and sizes will be taken at dad's club meeting in January.
- Pleased with quick responses from dad's willing to help.
- Trying to get more dads's to volunteer for a few hours a month possibly for a day or half day of service.
- Dad's Club 2016 Projects
 - January Project – Recycle Bin Repair Project
 - February – Courtyard/Common Area Landscape Cleanup
 - March – Flower Bed Springtime Cleanup
 - April – Carnival Volunteer Setup/Volunteer
 - May – TBD

Teacher Appreciation: Danielle Slikker

- 3rd Tuesday of the month is lunches for Teachers
- Teacher Time Out was 12-16-15 for K & 1st
- January teacher appreciation will be Chili

Yearbook Update: No report

Room Parent Update: Stephanie Hampton

- Had a Room parent work party at her home and completed putting together all supplies and ornaments for the class parties.
- Discussed getting a table to pass out room parent badges on Friday 12-18-15

School Store: No report

Library: No report

Topics of interest: Shannon Gray

- Fort Bend will vote in January on approval of new marquee sign.
- A new banner has been chosen to scroll on the new sign and also a new wildcat was chosen and shown to present members.
- The students will be voting on the name of the new Wildcat!!

Merchandise: Jennifer Teichman/Rechelle Levan

- Fall Merchandise has not been ordered due to complications with t-shirt company. Dana Madden has found a new company and should have the ball rolling on getting winter items ordered and back soon.
- Discussed what to do with old merchandise.
- Several members had ideas such as selling them at Carnival for discounted prices, giving them as prizes or asking Mrs. Jackson about donating the sizes of shirts for kids that need it most in the school for field trips and spirit days.

Request: Michelle Gordon

- Reminded us that some die cutts are very hard to use and after being sharpened with foil etc... the cutting board and some seasonal die cutts are in need of being replaced every one agreed and the VIPS coordinators will be notified to please order new ones during Spring sale with the funds that are allotted each year for supplies for the VIPS room.

Next meeting will be January 19, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:38a.m. By Jennifer Teichman.