**OES PTA Meeting Minutes**

**OES Auditorium**

**September 8, 2016**

**Submitted by Jamie Rothenberger**

**PTA President Susan McWeeney welcomed everyone and brought the meeting to order be providing an introduction to what the PTA does and how parents can get involved:**

* PTA Goal – To enrich and enhance every child’s time at Oakton Elementary School (OES). OES PTA needs support to accomplish this goal in the form of both participation and financial support
* The PTA support the OES teachers through enrichment grants and professional development to name a few. Additionally the sponsor community building activities through activities such as GRACE art, math and robotic club, lego club, game nights, karaoke nights, the variety show and the reflections program which showcases artistic ability
* The 6th grade boys and girls basketball game was a huge success in 2015
* There are three major PTA fundraisers:
  + Friends of Oakton whose goal is to raise $30K in 2016-17
  + Family Fun Night and Silent Auction
  + Family Run 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run
  + Other fundraisers that will be held this year include the Mascot book
  + Please go to OaktonPTA.net in order to find more information or contact Susan directly
* Additionally, members were encouraged to support the PTA by purchasing Spirit Wear

**Susan introduced Nicole White, Member and Communication Chair:**

* Nicole re-iterated that you can sign up for the PTA online. The fee for membership is $12 and pays PTA dues include membership for both the state Fairfax County PTA. There are also discounts to various entities for joining
* Communication from the PTA occurs via the web and by subscribing to the PTA newsletter. The newsletter has been re-designed this year
* Please also join the PTA Facebook page
* Finally a PTA comment box will be placed in the OES lobby where you are always free to share your comments and/or concerns

**Susan McWeeney stepped up to mention the PTA movie night which will be held for all OES students on October 14.**

**Audra Hoebler was introduced as the VP of Volunteer Resources:**

* Audra reiterated that the PTA needs support and volunteers in order to provide successful programming
* Some of the currently open positions included
  + Reflection Chair, Cultural Arts Chair, and Grant Writers to name a few
  + Last year’s reflections chair volunteered to re-chair reflections but stated that she would like the support of a co-chair this year.
* An easy way to support the PTA is to collect your boxtops
* She asked that if you were interested to please complete the volunteer sheet which can be found at the PTA website

**Jonie Dugan was introduced as the VP of programming:**

* Joni said that she is largely responsible for the programming that occurs before and after school
* She listed some of the programs that are available and said that registration is now open
* On the PTA website members are also able to look ahead to see what programming will be available throughout the year
* Please feel free to ask any PTA board members if you have additional questions

**Susan McWeeney then explained the PTA budget and showcased a pie chart indicating where the funding goes:**

* The bulk of PTA funds go to Academic enrichment
* Please email Susan with additional questions regarding funds
* Susan then made a motion to pass the budget for the 2016-2017 year. *The motion was seconded with zero “no’s” and the budget was passed*
* The meeting came to a close with Susan letting members know that meetings will typically be held on the first Wednesday of each month

**The Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.**

**Meeting Attendees Included:**

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| **Tom McWeeney** | **Audra Hoebler** |
| **Stephani Trainor** | **Kevin Trainor** |
| **Leela Borenstein** | **Alicia Burns** |
| **John Burns** | **Beth Cooper** |
| **Ben Harrell** | **Megan Harrell** |
| **Joanie Dugan** | **Patsuda Bower** |
| **Katy Petrik** | **Aileen Miller** |
| **Sandra Semaan** | **Sandeep Chodavarapu** |
| **Shibani Gambhir** | **Frmias Hailemariam** |
| **Prity Goel** | **Martha Tesfaye** |
| **Idalia Ramon** | **Steve Hurlbert** |
| **Rachael Sitta** | **Mindy Gill** |
| **Molly Fernandes** | **Sharon Meier** |
| **Gary Koroler** | **Stefanie Maddy** |
| **Justin Maddy** | **Nikki Blasberg** |
| **Kathi Brown** | **Nicole White** |
| **Jamie Rothenberger** | **Ismail Nalwala** |
| **Thursa Pecoraro** | **Jyh-Mjng Lien** |
| **Hope Wojciech** | **Suzanne Thompson** |
| **Hakan Balsi** | **Helena Sim** |
| **Laura Waterman** | **Mark Waterman** |
| **Tina Shah** | **Neel Shah** |
| **David Chung** | **Jill Chung** |