

**OES PTA Meeting Minutes  
March 23, 2015  
OES Library  
Submitted by Audra Hoebler**

**Present:** From the Board: Amy Allen, Marcie Martin, Audra Hoebler, Mary Pat Julian.  
Please see attached attendance sheet.

**The meeting came to order at 6:43pm.**

**Minutes**

- Mary Pat Julian made a motion to approve the February 2015 PTA meeting minutes and Marcie Martin seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Board Reports**

**Audra Hoebler – Recording Secretary**

- On April 13 at 6:30pm at the OES library, FPAC (Facilities Planning Advisory Council) will present the CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) that has been approved for Fairfax County.
- At the next PTA meeting, May 18, we hope to have Ann Dolin speak; she is the founder of Educational Connections.
- At the the June 8 PTA meeting we will vote on the slate for next year's Board. The slate must be advertised by April 28.

**Treasurer – Marcie Martin**

- Skate Night revenue is down; February's date was canceled due to weather.
- Yearbook sales are complete.
- The teachers' submissions for their mini grants (PTA has given money to each grade for enrichment purposes) have been approved and we are in the process of reimbursing now. We gave additional money to the reading department because we had extra funds. The remaining funds will be used at the PTA's discretion. Fifth and sixth grade have yet to submit.
- Most teachers have used their teacher support money (\$200). There will be no reimbursement without receipts.
- There have been requests for licensure reimbursements. These will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis dependent on funds available. Fairfax County used to pay for the transfer of licensure from a different state but with budget cut, this has

ceased. It will be the PTA's recommendation that we do not reimburse for this after this year.

- The OES 5K has sponsorships exceeding \$10,000. Registration for the event is going well.

### **VP of Programs – Mary Pat Julian**

- Spring programs will be kicking off after Spring Break. The programs are similar to the programs offered in the Fall. The new karate program, led by Jim Miller, filled up immediately.
- We will offer two summer camps
  - Two week art program (full day and half day) with Emma Brooks and Sarah O'Grady.
  - One week Camp Invention with Mr. Goehrke.

### **VP of Fundraising – Laurel Donaldson (Laurel was not present and Amy Allen gave the report)**

- Family Fun Night was a huge success and we raised between \$11-12K. It was slightly more successful than last year with a bit less work because the teacher experiences were not included in the auction but will be raffled off in May.
- The Mixed Bag class winners will have an ice cream party on April 9. Scoops 2 U is donating the ice cream.
- Scoops 2U is unable to attend our 5K; we are looking into other options.
- We will have a book fair fundraiser held at Barnes & Noble next October. OES will receive 20% of all sales (including food). At the fundraisers we hope to have teacher readings, face painting and possibly a book signing by a local author.
- We will hold off until next year for our brick fundraiser.

### **President – Amy Allen**

- The FPAC meeting is April 13 (see above).
- We are going to looking into having a gravel track put it on the field. Marshall Road Elementary has one; it is environmentally friendly and permeable.
- The school times for the 2015-26 school year have been changed to 9:05am to 4:00pm (rather than 3:55).
- FCPS will most likely miss the opportunity to apply for a waiver to the Kings Dominion Law which states that VA schools start after Labor Day. FCPS needs to miss one more day of school to be able to apply for the waiver.
  - Many feel that with this later start date kids are at a disadvantage as they have less time to prepare for exams and SOLs as the quarters are not equally weighed.

- Kindergarten orientation is on April 16 from 3-4pm. Aileen Miller is the summer play date coordinator.
- We need three people to form a Nominating Committee to determine the slate for the 2015-16 Executive Board. The slate must be advertised by April 28.
- Mary Pat, Laurel and Amy do not believe they will continue in their roles but Audra and Marcie will. Amy will consider co-presiding with Gail Gonzales.

## **Speakers**

### **Joanie Dugan – Staff and Teacher Appreciation Week**

- Questionnaires have been distributed to the teachers so we can tailor our appreciation rather than distribute blanket gift cards.
- We are giving them treats this year rather than supplies.
- Staff and teachers will have a lunch provided for them on Monday May 4 which will be set up in the teacher lounge.
- Class Sign Up Genius' will be sent out soon.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

**The next PTA meeting is May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:30pm in the OES library.**