



MEETING MINUTES of the OLM PARENT TEACHER GROUP

DATE: October 13, 2021

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: OLM multi-purpose room

BOARD MEMBERS/ATTENDEES PRESENT: Patrick McNabb, Cathy Turchetta, Gaiya Berube, Paricia Buffington, Jenna Braun, Tarah Provencal, Allie Bouley, Kristen Martin, Gabby McVicker, Bridget Block, Mary O'Connell, Christie Cambio

Welcome and opening prayer led by Principal McNabb

OLM Principal's report

The golf tournament was a huge success. Thank you for all the hard work you did in organizing that. Thank you also for the work you are doing on Colorthon and Trunk or Treat.

President's report

- Follow up on action items from the previous meeting
 - Decision on teacher websites?
 - Mr. McNabb is working with the teachers on this.
 - Mascot costume approval?
 - Yes, this may be ordered now by Mrs. Braun.
- New discussion items:
 - Robotics program (allocated PTG budget item)
 - Tabled until we have future details of past practice
 - School play/Drama program
 - At this point, this is undecided. We will revisit this at a future date.
 - Campus Cuisine
 - Mr. Belanger heads this initiative. A PTG member will reach out to him to see if we can help select restaurants to provide healthier options. We would also like to support local restaurants and not chains.
 - Donnelly's
 - OLM school is very aware of the back orders and delays in getting

uniforms for the current school year. Mr. McNabb called Peter Donnelly personally regarding this issue.

PTG member: May we look into other uniform vendors, such as Land's End, for future school years?

Mr. McNabb: Yes, that is fine.

Mrs. O'Connell will spearhead this.

o Extended Day information

-PTG member: Several years ago, extended day information, such as available days, times and costs, was available on the school's website. Could we add this feature back? Also, what is the sign up policy this year?

Mr. McNabb: I will look into the website. Sign up is by trimester. We are trying to manage the number of students attending extended day due to Covid contact tracing issues.

o Extended Day budget allocation

-PTG member: Can we repaint the 4 squares and basketball area?

-Mr. McNabb: We may be repaving the parking lot. Fr. Healey is looking into this. There is no point in painting the basketball area until we make a decision on the parking lot repaving.

-PTG member: The Sisters would like more games, especially in winter when the kids can not go outside due to snow. \$500 could be spent on this.

-PTG member: Let's survey the kids to see what games they would like.

-Mrs. McVicker: The new games can be stored in the library closet. Also, the Sisters are not comfortable using the smartboard to show movies. Perhaps a parent could donate a DVD player that could be used for this purpose.

-Mrs. Braun will be a room parent for the extended day program.

o Spring Fling 2021 auction winner fulfillment

-Principal of the Day and PE Teacher of the Day need to be fulfilled before Spring Fling 2022. There are two(2) students for Principal of the Day and seven (7) for PE Teacher of the Day.

Mrs. Cambio will spearhead this. Any suggestions for activities the students can engage in while principal or PE teacher would be welcomed.

o Spring Fling 2022 team

-This is scheduled for April 9, 2022. It will be in-person.

-There will be no official Spring Fling chair. Instead, all committee members will take active roles in making this event a success.

-Christina Haas will help with auction item procurement and participate in Spring Fling meetings once they launch.

Action item: Brainstorm Principal of the Day and PE Teacher of the Day activities. Send list to Mrs. Cambio and Mr. McNabb

Tabled items: Robotics club and the school play are on hold until further notice

Vice President's report

- Room parent access (Art Masters, CSW fulfillment, etc.)
 - Mr. McNabb: As long as quarantine is a reality, parents will not be roaming the school or being in a classroom for an extended period of time. There are no shadow days either.
 - PTG member: Can parents work with students on art projects outside under the tents? We can sell the class artwork at Spring Fling.
 - Mr. McNabb: I have no problem asking Mrs. Heaslip to make class artwork for the Spring Fling. I will think about having parents work with the students under the tent to create these pieces.

Tabled item: Parents work with students on art projects outside for the Spring Fling auction.

Secretary's report

- Directory
 - o The 2021/2022 directory has been updated and sent to the printer. The proof will be available on Monday, 10/18 for final approval.
 - o The FACTS spreadsheet, while adding a significant amount of new information, was extremely helpful, ex. no more deciphering handwriting.
 - o We are having trouble collecting the printing fee. Without a printed order form, families are forgetting to pay. Email reminders have been sent.
 - o The online order form has been deleted. A family just ordered a directory today and the deadline has now passed by several weeks.
- Website updates
 - o Thanks to Mrs. Buonaccorsi, the website is fully updated.

Action item: Send "last call" email for directory payment.

PTG Treasurer's report

- Budget report
 - o As of 10/13/21, expenses total \$13,000. The money has been spent on:
 - classroom improvements in gr. 5, gr. 6 and the Spanish room
 - art supplies
 - science supplies
 - library books
 - Colorthon & Trunk or Treat banners
 - o We have our first profit from School Kitz for \$1132.

Action items: 1. Call David Cote to find out when we will be repaving the parking lot.
2. Send a survey to the extended day students to ask what board games

they may want to play.

3. Ask parents if anyone has a DVD player they want to donate to the extended day program.

Ways and Means report

- Colorthon

- o We are at 92% of our fundraising goal as of 10/13/21

- o Teacher instructions and routes are all set. They will be informed of them on Monday, 10/18.

- o PTG member: What is the outdoor schedule regarding PE, lunches, etc..? We need to get set up signs.

- o Mr. McNabb: PE can be held indoors, so that isn't a concern.

- o PTG member: What are the current rules regarding the spacing of students?

- o Mr. McNabb: The new Covid rules state that classes only need to be 6 ft apart. Also, if we reach a certain goal, say \$20,000., three (3) students (one from each pod) can spray me. I will ask Fr. Healey if he will be willing to get sprayed if the school reaches a certain fundraising goal.

- o All supplies for the Colorthon will be dropped off on Tuesday, 10/19.

- Mrs. Bouley will notify Mr. Belanger of this.

- o [Ocean State Signal](#) is sponsoring this event

- o Volunteer shifts went out in Wednesday's notes

Socials report

- Trunk or Treat

- o Only 14 parents have signed up for a spot as of 10/13/31

- o Volunteer shifts

- There will be three shifts: 1. Before: to set up; 2. During: to monitor the event; work at the candy trading table; and work at the "Operation Gratitude" table; 3. End: to clean up

- Mister Monster Mouth will be set up in the library to collect candy for the event. Students will bring candy in on library day. Allergy friendly treats, (stickers, pencils, etc..), will be given to Mrs. Verret.

- Operation Gratitude

- o Mrs. O'Connell signed us up to deliver candy to Veterans. She asked for candy to be given to local Vets, but the organization can not promise this.

- They may mail it to another state.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm

Next Meeting: November 17, 2021

Location: OLM multi-purpose room