



MEETING MINUTES of the OLM PARENT TEACHER GROUP

DATE: November 17, 2021

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: OLM library

BOARD MEMBERS/ATTENDEES PRESENT: Patrick McNabb, Cathy Turchetta, Gaiya Berube, Paricia Buffington, Tarah Provencal, Christie Cambio, Kathryn Morgan, Megan Sullivan, Bridget Block, Alicia Graves, Kristen Martin, Dianne McGuire, Laurie Joseph, Emily Goodenow, Mary Casperson Moulis

Welcome and opening prayer led by Principal McNabb

OLM Principal's report

- A. Open House
 - a. this will be held on Jan. 30, 2022 from 10am-12pm
 - b. it will most likely in person with masks
 - c. the PTG will help staff the sign-in table
 - d. an additional PTG table will be in the cafeteria promoting the PTG and encouraging parent involvement at the school
- B. PreK-3
 - a. at this point, there is not enough interest to have a PreK-3 classroom for the 22/23 SY
 - b. at least 15 students are needed to make the room viable
 - c. administration will make a final decision before Open House to give families more time to make a decision
 - d. currently, the school is promoting the program on its Facebook page
 - e. if anyone knows of a family interested in enrolling in the PreK-3 program, please have the family call Mrs. Verrett
- C. Updates:
 - a. Kindergarten class for the 22/23 SY is full
 - b. CPR training of the OLM staff was held at the last faculty meeting

- c. Robotics Club is on hold as a coach has not been found
- d. The school play will tentatively be held the weekend of May 14-15, 2022 at Prout High School
- e. Parents will stay out of the building until after quarantine is no longer an issue

PTG President's report

I. Old Business Updates

A. Uniform provider alternatives

- a. Mrs. O'Connell looked at Land's End as a new or additional uniform supplier
 - i. she reports they have fantastic uniform items and good prices
 - ii. a company representative is willing to come to OLM to talk with Mr. McNabb
 - 1. the rep will provide samples and explain pricing and commission percentages

B. Extended Day

- a. Mrs. Braun is getting a wishlist of toys/games from Mrs. McVicker, Mrs. DiPrete and the Sisters
- b. based on the lists, the PTG will determine which items they will purchase and which items they will ask to be donated, ex. checkers, dvd players, etc.
- c. Mr. McNabb will get the school's website updated to include extended day information along with the next signup cycle

C. Playground/blacktop repainting

- a. Mrs. Bouley is looking at a quote for the painting of the parking lot
- b. the PTG needs clarification from Mr. McNabb as to which areas may be painted with games

suggestion: Instead of hiring a company to paint the parking lot, ask for parent volunteers to do it one weekend day. This is what is done in public schools and it works well.

D. Mascot costume

- a. this was ordered months ago but is experiencing shipping delays
- b. a tracking number has finally been assigned though the costume may not be here before the Christmas break

II. New Business:

A. Toys for Tots collection

- a. this will be the charitable initiative for December
- b. bins will be placed outside of all four school entrances
 - i. tentatively scheduled for the week of Dec. 6
- c. this is a great way to promote school values and get good press

B. Gingerbread Houses

- a. the gingerbread house decorating contest will be held again
- b. we plan on making this an annual event
- c. we will follow a virtual format once again

- d. there will be three judging groups: K-2; 3-5; and 6-8
- e. Mrs. Verret and Mrs. Buonaccorsi will be the judges
- C. Santa Claus at OLM
 - a. he will be coming the week of Dec. 13 for two consecutive days, weather dependant
- D. Christmas concert
 - a. this is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 9, 2021
 - b. ideas are needed for a “thank you” gift for Mr. Trembley

action item: ask Lauren Quinn to find out what Mr. Trembley likes so we may buy him a thoughtful gift

Secretary’s report

- A. Directory
 - a. 140 SY 21/22 directories were published and distributed on Nov. 10
 - b. 137 were sold with 3 remaining for purchase
 - c. an invoice from Meridian Printing will be forthcoming

PTG Treasurer’s report (given by Mrs. Berube)

- A. Budget report
 - a. Colorthon was an extremely successful fundraiser with a net profit of \$28K

Ways & Means report

- A. Colorthon recap
 - a. the 1st grade class won & will be receiving an ice cream party
 - i. idea of either Hoodies cup or Ben & Jerry cups with individual toppings
 - ii. this will be held after the holidays
 - b. grossed over \$28K; net about \$26K (new record)
- B. Spring Fling 2022
 - a. this event is scheduled for Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 6:30pm at Quidnessett Country Club
 - b. The first planning meeting was held last week. Topics decided:
 - i. the silent auction will continue to be virtual
 - ii. a live auction will be held at the event for the big ticket items, like principal and PE teacher for the day
 - iii. *Stars for Students* will be back
 - c. a call for volunteers will be put out by the PTG after the holidays
 - i. a team will be in place to get auction items, requests, pickup, etc.
 - 1. first meeting with this sub-committee will be held in Jan 2022
 - ii. a decorating committee will be established
 - iii. a publicity committee will be established

- C. Art Masters
 - a. a meeting will be held at a future date
 - b. Tarah Provencal, Lauren Quinn, Jenna Braun & Mary O'Connell will spearhead this project
 - c. it is the room parent's responsibility to find a parent who is artistic or is willing to work on this project
- D. Spring Fling 2021 fulfillment
 - a. Principal for the Day suggestions were sent to Mr. McNabb
 - i. he will contact the parents of the children to select which suggestions the students would like best
 - ii. Mrs. Cambio will assist Mr. McNabb will fulfilling these suggestions
 - b. PE Teacher for the Day
 - i. follow up with Mr. Stefanik is needed ASAP

action item: contact Mr. Stefanik about the eight students who will be PE teacher for the day

action item: contact Emily Goodenow as she wants to join the Art Masters comm.

action item: add a note in the PTG weekly newsletter stating if anyone has any ideas for an Art Masters project, please email them to the PTG at: olmptg@gmail.com

Socials report

- A. Trunk or Treat recap
 - a. hugely successful but too much candy was left over
 - i. some has been donated to Operation Gratitude & shipped to CA and some has been sent to Mercy House
 - b. the PTG gave the student council a pizza party to thank them for their help
 - c. the couple who owned the food truck we used has retired; so will need a new one for next year
- B. Father Daughter Dance
 - a. it will be in person and held on March 12, 2022 at The Crowne Plaza
 - b. we will reuse the "Ooh La La" theme of 2020 since it was never used
 - c. a site visit will be arranged for the "Atrium" room
- C. Mother Son Event
 - a. the PTG will take this on for the first time

action item: Jenna Braun, Gaiya Berube and the social committee will set up a meeting to talk about the Mother Son Event

Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm

Next Meeting: January 12, 2022 at 6 PM