

OUES PTO Meeting
Wednesday, September 17, 2008 9:15a.m.
Central Market Community Room

The meeting started at 9:20 am.

Welcome

- Jennifer Winter opened the meeting with a welcome. She discussed several upcoming events. 9/18 is coffee with the principal; 9/21 is PKD walk; 9/26 is the Dad's club meeting; 10/12 is CEF; 10/30 is Boosterthon.

Campus Update/News

- Mary Johnston gave the campus update including the following items:
 - OUES has received \$30k in grants from CEF in 3 years.
 - Senator Nelson named OUES a TDEK Honor School. Mary Johnston, Tina Homan and 2 teachers will receive this award on the school's behalf.
 - Mary Johnston discussed the morning announcements and the 4th grade counselor corner.
 - Ms. Bunch is doing the interesting fact,
 - Ms. Faungi does lessons each month in the classrooms. This month is bullying.
 - Hurricane aide goes on for the next two weeks.
 - Site based committees need volunteers. Send Mary Johnston an email if you are interested.

Treasure Update

- Tobin Osterberg presented the budget and discussed the following in detail:
 - Recycling bins purchased. Thanks to Claire Doddridge and Joanna Grayson for doing the research for this!
 - Central Market Foodie Card – 5% to district and it is divided equally among the schools.
 - School Toolbox: A member suggested adding \$1 - \$2 to make more of a fundraiser effort.
 - Boosterthon: Tobin answered questions about expenses for this event.
 - Christy White moved, Laura Wassef seconded and the budget passed.
- Tobin talked about reimbursements and tax exempt status. She also talked about how to get your check.
- The PTO discussed a possible COSTCO card. Jennifer Winter to investigate.

Fundraising Update

- Tonya Meyer discussed Boosterthon:
 - 10/22 will be pep rallies promoting education, fitness and character.
 - 10/22 – 10/30 the company will be in classrooms, lunchrooms, etc pumping everyone up.

- Children will collect pledges for the run – each run is 1/16 mile – maximum 35 laps. We need 10-20 volunteers to distribute water and lots to cheer the children as they run.
- Auction pay will auction school related items such as teacher for the day, etc. Principal for the day may still be a raffle... details are being worked out.
- Tonya also stated there will be an adult spring silent acution on 2/28.

Disbursements Update

- Kirsty discussed that Boosterthon profit will go toward technology improvements. The PTO discussed the needs and brainstormed ideas on auctioning the promethium board systems. Email Kirsty Gelberd or Jennifer Winter with any additional thoughts or ideas.
- Kirsty discussed the disbursement process. All requests are due by 11/1. The voting process should be complete by the new year and we will have a goal for our spring auction.

Programs:

Tina Tedeschi discussed the programs planned for this year:

- 10/3 Old Union Day: Tin Roof Tango will play at 8:15 and 9:15. Pioneer living program will be in the gym.
- High touch, high tech
- May 4: Bryan Burns will sing about Texas History
- Morris Brothers will present on bullying
- Stranger Danger – Brett Wilson will present
- Dan Henry – meteorologist will discuss tornadoes and hurricanes
- Kristy Smith discussed Reading buddies.

Volunteer Update:

Suzanne Newell and Martha Blue discussed the volunteer update.

- All of the teachers have been given their volunteer list. Copy room volunteers are needed. Cafeteria help is needed for K-2 grades. Laura Wassef will generate a calendar based on the volunteers. They need a PE volunteer and someone to help coordinate the box tops.
- Thank yous:
 - Kelly Owens and Claire Doddridge – home room coordinators
 - DeLisa and Sonya for special events
 - Every PTO meeting they will honor a volunteer – Jennifer Winter is August.
 - Anthea Gilcrest for Dragon Tales

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

Sincerely,
Bonnie Dumas
 Bonnie Dumas, Secretary

