

Owego Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization (OES-PTO)
General Meeting – October 7, 2014 7:00pm
Parkview Restaurant

Meeting called by Vice-President Lisa Boehme

Attendance: Danita Brooks, Kasey Chobot, Annie Schuyler, Lisa Boehme, Nicole Squires, Jessica Squires, Michelle McLaren, Laurie McKeveny, Alicia Sherman

Welcome-Introductions:

- A. **Review PTO Meeting Schedule & Timing** – *The PTO has a goal to keep meetings to 1 hour. In order to do this, each meeting will follow the agenda. If there is not time to discuss additional topics, they will be saved for the next meeting or handled through subcommittee.*
- B. **Review minutes from PTO officers meeting**
- C. **Treasurer's Report**
- D. **New Business**
1. **School Dance** – We are hoping to have a dance this year. Plan to contact the middle school to see if we can get a date for their gym.
 2. **Holiday Shoppe** – Michelle has been ordering items. Dates are still to be determined.
 3. **Coming up in November** – Bus driver breakfast and Thanksgiving baskets
 4. **Box Tops** – We have collected almost \$550 worth of Box Tops since the beginning of the year. Our September winner was Miss Brown's class, they had a small party with cookies and each child got a pencil and eraser.
 5. **New Fundraising Opportunities** – Danita has found a few more programs that could earn some extra money.
 - a. **Shoparoo** – App for smartphones where you scan store receipts and in return money is donated to schools. They also have sweepstakes winners each month.
 - b. **Recycle Rewards** – We send in used inkjet/laser cartridges, cell phones, and other small electronics. They pay us for our contribution.
 - c. **Tyson A+** - Tyson products have black labels on the back that are worth 24¢. If we can collect at least 100 we can send them in for cash.
 6. **Picture Day** – Will be this Thursday (10/9). We have volunteers so everything should be all set.
- E. **Old Business**
1. **Book Fair** – The book fair did all right. Each teacher was able to get 3 or 4 books for their classroom. We need to decide if we want the Scholastic Dollars or cash. Leaning toward taking the cash since we still have a lot of Scholastic Dollars in our account. Considering taking the Scholastic Dollars at the spring book fair. Spring Open House will be on March 24th, and our spring fair has been rescheduled to coincide.
- F. **Principal Topics** – *As always, we are very thankful to Mrs. McKeveny for attending the PTO meetings.*
1. **Wooden Replicas** – Still have a lot left, we need to try to sell them. Should bring them to various school events. Also discussed trying to get them on the district webpage.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm
Minutes submitted by D. Brooks