OGA PTA General Meeting

October 24, 2022 In-person Media Center, simulcast Zoom

This is the third PTA members' general meeting of the schoolyear, first one held in-person. **Board members present were:** Jaquelyn Nystrom, President; Sarah Courtney, Recording Secretary; Stephanie Robison, Communications Secretary; Steve Bubar, Treasurer; Andrella Hurley, Treasurer-Elect

Members and attendees present in person were: Ms. Cybulski, Ms. Hurley, Ms. Cherolini, Sylvia Baer, Louise Garvey, Yochi Long, Amelia Lyons, Lori Mulroony-Martinez, Monica Puentes Rivera, Sharon Ramroop, Izzy Serafini, Jessica Shorter, Robert Baer, Ken Ingraham, Christina Fuller, Andrea Bealler, Scott Everhart

Members and attendees present virtually were: Principal Maguire, Shane Broffman, Shannon Dukes, Jen Hills Jurgensen, Pedro Torres, Hope Howland-Cook, Nadia Ballard, Yuliang Chen, Kate Ingraham, Jen Vose, Felicia Joseph

Call to Order- Jacquelyn Nystrom, PTA President, called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. **Attendance/Quorum-** Attendance was taken via Zoom and in-person attendee list. Quorum was established.

Minutes of Last Meeting- Sarah Courtney, PTA Recording Secretary
Announced the minutes are posted on OGAPTA website and linked on Facebook. Paper copies
are at every table for in-person review. One correction was already submitted (an attendee's
name was not listed) and another correction (misspelling an attendee's name) was given.
Jacquelyn made a motion to accept minutes as amended; Sarah seconded; motion passed.

Principal's Report- Mr. Maguire, Principal

Kudos and appreciation all around. OGA was invited (one of only 4 schools) to an OCPS presentation by "Trendmicro" in January aimed at volunteer campus beautification. Apologized for any delay in his own response in the past few weeks; this is due to personal impact of hurricane lan and a family member's surgery.

President's Report- Jacquelyn Nystrom, Thanks to volunteers for making Math night (arranged by Ms. Kuerzi & Dr. Carr) an evening to connect families and making math fun. Book Fair Family night was a tremendous success, both financially and to achieve community connection among families and staff. More thanks to our volunteers for that! Boosterthon was also a success, raising over \$33,000. Wonderful participation throughout the school. Top classrooms and top students are posted on OGA FB page. Per our agreement, we paid Boosterthon 25% (\$8000). Plans for \$15,000 are audio visual equipment in the auditorium and media center. Quote for each combined total is around \$30,000. Principal Maguire is committed to achieving purchase and installation of both this year, which will require some of his school budget.

Treasurer's Report- Steve Bubar, gave the revised budget report. It was viewable on the screenshare. With a few reductions, no budget item was eliminated despite a small (\$5000) fundraising shortfall. Steve made a motion to approve the revised budget, Stephanie seconded.

Committee Reports:

New committee needed: Social Organizing/Family Events needs a committee to make decisions and coordinate activities (skate night, pot-luck game night, etc.). Some discussion focused on offering events at various times and locations, including onsite at the school as well as off-site.

Partners in Education (PIE): OGA coordinators are Ms. Lineberry and Ms. Scheid. Though PIE is linked to the school rather than PTA, it is intended to be a close collaboration with PTA for the benefit of the school community.

Room parents/Stock the fridge: Yochi Long, Chair- each grade level brings donated shelf-stable snacks and drinks. 2nd and 3rd grade did October. 4th grade will have January. Months with school breaks, or 'short' months will be skipped.

Membership: Louise Garvey deserves credit for increasing our membership by 75% this year! OGA got recognition for this by OCPS Administration.

School Beautification: Due to the hurricane clean-up day and the upcoming Trendmicro volunteer day, there will not be need for other campus beautification events this year. Last years' second (Middle school) beautification day was rescheduled numerous times due to weather.

Spirit Gear/Tshirts: working on some new Tshirt designs, suggested having an online company or searching for a new vendor that may follow the business model of a previous vendor (no upfront cost). Discussed a few pros and cons, but decision will be made at the committee-level. **Unfinished Business:**

Capital gift: PTA planned to purchase new AV equipment for OGA. Quotes obtained. (referenced above in Principal's and President's Reports).

Teacher grants: Generally \$300 potentially per classroom, but a grade-level can combine for a larger project. Teachers may submit a Google form, wait for PTA Board approval, make the purchases, submit for reimbursement, get reimbursed within two weeks. At this time, at the inauguration of a new PTA program, we have modeled similar to other school's PTA Teacher grant program and approval will be with the PTA Board, but may delegate to a committee or general membership in the future. Due dates for teacher applications are November 18, December 16th, January 20th, February 17th, March 24th, April 21st.

Fundraising: The Fund is not part of PTA, but we work closely together. Until this year the Fund did all the fundraising and funded PTA's budget. It was clarified that the Fund is for capital donations only, and PTA is responsible for its own fundraising going forward. Parent input about Boosterthon and discussion of pro-cons on hiring a similar vendor or attempting to do it "in-house". Planning should begin in December; we need volunteers to commit for 10 months.

New Business:

Holiday Shop: needs 10 volunteers. Not a money-maker, rather it's for student/family benefit. 75th anniversary: Needs volunteers; vision is for an evening event with OCPS dignitaries invited, newspaper article(s), and a focus on local history. Open to ideas for a student-oriented and teacher-friendly daytime celebration also. Idea offered for a limited edition dri-fit shirt and polos.

Field Day/Assembly: Move back Field Day to March (Thurs before Spring Break) was suggested by PE Coach and combine it with an Assembly if possible.

Teach-In: School will be asking for parents to volunteer to present a career topic.

Budget vote occurred at the close of the meeting. Passed unanimously.

Announcements:

Multicultural Night is Thursday, November 10th

Skate Night is January 21st (Saturday) at Semoran Skateway

Keep supporting OGA through BoxTops and Amazon Smile.

Tonight 12 members signed up to volunteer on several of our committees-thanks!!

Minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by Sarah Courtney