

## **OCE PTA Board Meeting**

January 10, 2019

**Attendance:** Dr. Ruth Steidinger, Sharon Putney, Kathryn Broaddus, Mandy Wagstaff, Monica Cox, Erica Phelan, Kelli Joyner, Jennifer Bryant, Amy Grubbs

### **Welcome/Introduction – Mandy Wagstaff**

#### **Principal Report – Dr. Steidinger**

- Wake County School Board Advisory Council - 6 (BAC) – Quarterly meeting with updates and Q&A. OCE will host of 4/8/19; expecting approximately 60 participants. Upcoming dates for this as well as other meetings will be publicized to families via Beacon as they are open to the public.
- Beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, early release will be replaced with full-day workdays: 9/30/19, 10/21/19, 2/17/20, 3/9/20.
- Technology purchases using the proceeds from Boosterthon (\$36,700) were discussed as there is no technology refresh fund from the county. Teachers are in need of laptops and research to replace is in process. To complete a full-time staff replacement, the cost is approximately \$54,000. Options under consideration are full refresh or phased; depending on fundraising efforts from the Gala. There is also \$12,500 available on PTA budget reserve for technology purchases.

#### **President Report – Mandy Wagstaff**

- Need a future plan for Grandparent's breakfast as it has become difficult to fill the position. The final breakfast event for this school year will take place on 3/28/19.
- American Heart Association (AHA) – OCE will participate in an optional fundraiser to support the AHA. More information to follow.
- Interest has been voiced for several campus beautification efforts; and there may be grant funds available to support potential projects.
- Book fair passes will be issued for the next book fair. This system allows each class to send up to two students to shop the fair at an alternative time and will help with overcrowding and loss management.
- "Apex Fun Run Obstacle Course" fundraising opportunity will be researched as a possible future alternative to Boosterthon.

#### **Vice President Report – Whitney Ludlow**

- No report

#### **Treasurer Report – Sharon Putney**

- Taxes complete – OCE is in good standing.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Carnival – Kelly McAlarney and Christine Rooney**

- Bronze and Platinum sponsors in place. Event will take place 5/10/19. Volunteer interest meeting on 1/30/19 at 1:00PM.

**Go Play Save – Kelly McAlarney and Christine Rooney**

- Raised \$9,000 this year; there were plans to discontinue next year, and there are alternative options under consideration. A parent survey may be utilized for feedback.

**Gala / Silent Auction – Amy Grubbs**

- 2/16/19 at MacGregor Downs
- 50/50 auction will continue, exploring additional in-event fundraising ideas.
- Possible option to offer a vacation voucher prize. Research is underway to determine if it will be a good fit for the event.

**Staff Appreciation – Laurie Jendrasiak**

- Tr. 2 & 4 – Week of 2/11/19
- Tr. 3 & 1 – Week of 2/18/19
- Buddy pairings with daily themes. Will also include extended support staff.

**Spirit Wear – Kelli Joyner**

- T-Shirts and magnets available. There will be a second round order placed in the coming weeks for replenishment.

**Book Fair**

- Spring Fair is planned; dates TBD.

**Cultural Arts – Bethany Iannone**

- Black Box Theatre coming on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Box Tops – Jennifer Bryant**

- OCE earned \$1,000 in benefits, and a check is forthcoming. The next national deadline is in March, which will be preceded with a collection on 2/1/19.
- Also received markers from the Crayola ColorCycle program.

**Garden Club – Jennifer Bryant**

- Help needed for exterior cleanup; can coordinate through the PTA Volunteer coordinator.

**Loyalty Cards – Kathryn Broaddus**

- Tracking close to last year despite Kroger closing. Publix is highest source at over \$900.
- Benevity.org corporate matching log in is creating challenges; have received \$373 to date.
- Total loyalty card programs are expected to meet \$1,300 goal for the year.

**Spirit Night – Angie Kirkland**

- Moe's may move to February – date TBD.

**Clipper Coffee**

- Off to a good start; two parents at last event.

**Next Meeting** – February 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM.