

**OCE PTA Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 16, 2020, 11AM, OCE Media Center**

**Attendance:** Mr. Shane Arce (OCE Assistant Principal), Whitney Ludlow (OCE PTA President), Mandy MacNaughton (OCE PTA Vice President), Jolene Dunn (OCE PTA Treasurer), Shveta Malhotra (OCE PTA Secretary), Jen Curtis-Maury, Laurie Jendrasiak, Jennifer Bryant, Kathryn Broaddus, Betty Fernandez, Megan Delaney, Monica Cox, Whitney Brown

**Welcome/Introduction - Whitney Ludlow, OCE PTA President**

- A) Whitney introduced the OCE board members and began the meeting.
- B) Mandy MacNaughton wanted everyone to be aware that 'Jump Rope for Heart' was soon approaching and that we needed volunteers. Maybe put a blast in the Beacon and also have a sign-up genius.

**Administration Report - Dr. Ruth Steidinger/Ms. Erin May/Mr. Shane Arce**

- A) Mr. Arce informed the PTA about the school's new resource officer-J. Ommundsen ('Officer Joe'). He will be at OCE once a week. Since starting he has been interacting with students and faculty making his presence known. We are all very thrilled to have him join the OCE community.
- B) 'I 'heart' math and science night will be held on Thursday, February 13, 2020 from 5:30pm-7pm. More clarification is needed in regards to content (i.e., would every teacher be presenting what they are currently teaching in their classrooms or is this more of an overview of what is being taught at each grade level).

**Treasurer Report - Jolene Dunn**

- A) Boosterthon cashed their check.
- B) The PTA has been receiving bank deposits from the purchase of silent auction/gala tickets.

**Committee Reports**

- **Silent Auction and Gala**

- **Whitney Brown**

- A) February 15, 2020.
- B) Adults only event. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the gala. Held at MacGregor Downs Country Club. Will be taking a break from the gala next year-2021.
- C) Donations coming in. Things moving along nicely.
- D) Tickets will go on sale January 4, 2020-February 10, 2020. Online bidding starts February 14, 2020.
- E) Auction wish-list went out in Beacon and Facebook page.

- **Staff Appreciation**  
**Laurie Jendraisak**
  - A) Laurie would like to do staff appreciation March 2-13, 2020. Tracks 1 and 3 would be first week and tracks 2 and 4 would be 2<sup>nd</sup> week.
  - B) She also needs help with 2 breakfasts-February 17<sup>th</sup> and March 9<sup>th</sup>. Need something in Beacon. Sign-up genius needs to go out soon.
  
- **Cultural Arts**  
**Bethany Iannone**
  - A) Performance scheduled for February 14, 2020-Poet Michael Beadle.
  - B) Performance scheduled for March 6' 2020-Acapella group Transit Vocal Band.
  
- **Walk to School Wednesdays**  
**Bridget Robertson**
  - A) Next walk to Wednesday is February 5, 2020.
  - B) Officer Joe and Apex Fire Department will be joining walkers.
  - C) Wake Zone will be donating hot chocolate.
  - D) Also, it is 'thank your crossing guard' day. Maybe kids can make/bring red roses for ours?
  
- **Box Tops**  
**Jennifer Bryant**
  - A) National Spring collection deadline is February 25, 2020. Overall going very well.
  
- **Cottage Beautification**  
**Kathryn Broaddus**
  - A) PTA can be responsible for outside of cottages-i.e. power-washing, painting murals, landscaping. She and Dr. Steidinger went over a list of items that PTA can help with and those that Wake county is responsible for.
  - B) Maybe we can also put rocks around each of the cottages to help solve drainage issue?
  - C) Maybe it might be possible for the PTA to rent a U-haul to bring supplies (i.e book shelves, desks ordered by faculty) from the county warehouse?
  - D) Maybe we can have more signage around the cottages? Maybe more signs on the ground heading to the cottages? Maybe having matching garden flags with room numbers?

**Next Meeting -**

Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 11am