

Orion Oaks PTO

Thursday, November 8, 2018 9am



President: Jen Modzelewski

Vice President: Naomi Colquitt

Treasurer: Amanda Miller

Fundraising Coordinator: Marie Hill

Secretary: Marie Stevens

Meeting Called to Order: 9:05am

Meeting Adjourned: 10:06am

A. Welcome

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b. Thank you to Marie Stevens, who has volunteered to fill our secretary position for the year.

B. Principals Report

a. Lake Orion School Bond PASSED

Some of the overall changes that are planned for Orion Oaks are: technology upgrades, a new more secure front entrance, an addition to the back of the building for ASD classrooms, an updated parking lot with a new entrance and exit onto Clarkston Road, and an early childhood center will be built nearby. The early childhood center will likely be located close to where the baseball diamonds and soccer fields are now, but this has yet to be confirmed. At this time we are unsure of the exact timetable as to when the changes covered by the bond will be started. This will be planned out soon, and right now it appears that technology changes and safety related changes will be first.

b. Upcoming conferences next week

Reminders will be sent out shortly

C. In an effort to foster independence among the students as well as reduce the crowding in the hallways during the morning, the staff has requested that parents refrain from coming into the school with their child at the start of the day to help them unload their backpacks and get to class. Please allow the children to enter the building unassisted in the morning and care for their own belongings. Thank you!

D. Title I Parent/School Compact will be sent out via email for parent review and also discussed and signed with parent/teacher at conferences.

C. Treasurer's Report

a. Smencil sales October 30th

Smencils were a huge success and very popular with the students. This fundraiser raised 338.92. We have placed another order for more smencils due to their popularity. We will have 400 valentine themed smencils for sale either for a valentine gram, and/or sale during spring conferences.

For fall conferences we discussed selling smencils that parents and guardians can purchase for their student(s). They will be \$1 each and a personalized note can be included and placed in the students' mailboxes. There will be signage and buckets of smencils placed in each hallway during conferences.

b. Future Dollar Days- Veterans Day Assembly November 9th- Bring a \$ and wear Red White and blue. Donations go to Lake Orion Veterans Memorial.

Please donate 1 dollar to the Lake Orion Veterans Memorial and wear red, white, and blue on this day!

D. Fundraising Updates

a. Dine to Donate 10/15 5-8pm Leo's Coney Island proceeds to support Library A grand total of \$300 was raised for the library!

b. Dine to Donate October 31st Jet's on Lapeer 10am-5pm

Nearly \$300 was raised for our PTO! Jets Pizza would like to do this with us again next Halloween.

c. Next Dine to Donate November 15th Italia Gardens

Italia Gardens will be donating a percentage of their sales all day to our PTO. The PTO is also covering lunch for the teachers during conferences this day from Italia Gardens.

d. Spirit Wear- Jennifer Czech -unable to attend, still awaiting proceeds from sales

E. Past Activities-

a. Spooky Night-Great Feedback, table decoration winners

Spooky Night went well, we will be doing something similar next year.

Table decor winners: Mrs. Ursitti won the volunteer vote. Mrs. Ligrow won the child vote. PTO to disperse prizes today.

b. October Box Top winners

This has not yet been totaled - winner will be announced as soon as tops are added up.

F. Future Activities

a. Veterans Assembly 11/9

Starbucks donated free coffee for this special event and Dunkin Donuts gave 50% off of our donut order.

B. Warrior Dash celebration assembly Friday 11/16. There are 21 students at the \$150 fundraising level; each of them will be able to take turns covering Mr. Russel in ice cream toppings.

C. Movie night for students raising \$100 for the warrior dash - There are 46 students who fundraised at this level. On Friday November 30th from 6:30 to 8:30pm in the cafeteria we will play Incredibles 2 for these students and snacks will also be provided.

d. Free Pajama Day 11/20 day before break

e. Star Wishes - the Star wishes tree this year will be different because many local business are sponsoring families this year. For our star wishes we will be mostly looking for gift cards to target or meijer, or winter gear (hats, gloves, scarves, winter accessories). All donations go to local families in need. Gift cards will be used for necessities for the families (food, other gear, toiletries). We are considering setting up a tree for people to hang their mittens and hats on for donating. This will start shortly after conferences and details will be confirmed soon.

f. Santa Shoppe - We will be looking for volunteers to help run the shoppe, help kids do their shopping, take kids back and forth to class, help wrap the gifts, etc. Volunteer requests will be sent out via email soon.

g. Spring into Orion Oaks- March 7th- 3rd Grade Wax Museum, Artome
The date for Spring into Orion Oaks has been set for March 7th from 6 to 8pm. The 5th grade concert will also be at this event and will start at 6:30pm.

REMINDER: Please use orionoakspto@gmail.com for
questions/comments/concerns

Next Meeting Date is Tuesday, December 4, 2018 7pm Media Center

Childcare will be provided for this meeting