**OSS General Meeting Minutes**

Date: January 6, 2020

**Welcome/Introductions:**

 Reviewed Board Changes:

 Co-VP of Fundraising stepped down

 Assistant Treasurer voted in: Jess Campbell

 Reviewed Committee Chairs- Thank you for all of your efforts!

 Oktoberfest: Allyson Wegeler & Megan Chester

 Kindergarten/New Student Handprints: Karin Hanlon

 Monster Mash: Vicki Coffey & Bridget Nicholson

 Picture Day: Heidi Green

 School Store: Sharon James

 Turkey Collection: PTO Volunteers & student leaders

 Holiday Recognition Cakes: Heidi Richel & Carol Pietro

 Holiday Boutique: Sherri Satz & Justine Cinosky

 Book Fair: Nancy Griffith & Jen Leeder

 Teacher Conference Lunch Bags: Karin & Dan Hanlon

Reviewed Current Board Members- most board members are continuing their terms to next year

 Co-President: Elizabeth Seitz

 Co-President: Renee Hansen

 VP Fundraising: Vilma Munoz-Mendes (term ending)

 VP Communications: Becky Mauro

 VP Curriculum Enhancement: Lori Zrebiec

 VP Special Projects: Lori Kendis (last year at OSS)

 Treasurer: Stella McCarthy

 Assistant Treasurer: Jess Campbell

 Secretary: Rachel Hoffmann Hantz

**Updates/Topics:**

 New google form for equipment requests – link is on OSS PTO website

 Curriculum Enhancement-

 -Reviewed upcoming programs for 2019-2020

 -Lori Zrebiec gave overview of programs for the year

 -Review of programs held since last PTO meeting (K/1: Turtleback Zoo; 2nd: Native American homes from Morris Museum, Lewis and Clark presentation; 3rd: Thomas Edison presentation, Brick Academy; 4th: Liberty Science Center Balls and Tracks; 5th: Franklin Institute)

**Upcoming Events/Activities:**

 January: PEC Fundraiser – Movie Matinee

 K-2 Craft Night \*Volunteers Needed!

 BT Connect Meeting on School Start Times

 February: Sweetheart Dance \*Volunteers Needed!

 PTO evening Meeting with Speakers (3 speakers on topic of “Improving the Well-Being of our Kids”

 March: Family Reading Night

 Science Fair

 April: OSS Got Talent (New event this year!)

 Wizard of Words

\*Full calendar can be seen on the PTO website: oakstreetpto.com

**Help Wanted:**

 ’20-’21 Sweetheart Dance Chairs (Shadow current chairs this year)

 ’20-’21 School Store Chair

 ’20-’21 5th Grade Chairs

 ’20-’21 Teacher Conference Lunch Bags Chair

 ’20-’22 Board Position: VP of Fundraising

 ’20-’22 Board Position: VP of Social Events (new position to replace Co-VP of Fundraising)

**Aramark, Food Service Director for Bernards Township Schools – Chris Dietsch**

Chris Dietsch began with Aramark in November 2019. He discussed how the high school has started to offer some “made-to-order” options, such as pasta stations. Would like to increase the availability of these stations over time.

Parent Q & A:

Q: How long does it take students to get through lunch line?

A: It takes about 12 minutes to get all of the students through the lunch line (from the first student to the last student, not 12 minutes per student), but they are looking at ways to make it more efficient. In addition, the aides try to rotate which class is first in line.

Q: Are there any organic options?

A: Not at this time, but looking to add them and are talking to District Business Administrator about it; also looking to add vegetarian and gluten free options

Q: What makes up a meal, as some students seem to be confused about what is included?

A: Although BT does not participate in the state wide lunch program, they try to follow the guidelines and provide a close option. Three of the following components must be on the student’s tray (grain, meat/meat alternative, dairy/water, fruit/vegetable). The student must have a fruit or vegetable for it to count as a meal, rather than a la carte pricing. Aramark is looking at how to make it easier for students to understand what is included in the meal price v. a la carte.

Contact Information:

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**Reminder:**

BOE, PTO parent presentations (available to all parents)

 Website: BOE site -Parents – Presentations

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