

Olney Elementary School  
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Olney Elementary School PTA Meeting  
September 7, 2017 at 7pm

The Olney Elementary School PTA met on September 7, 2017 at 7pm in the school's media center. The PTA president, Mariah, called the meeting to order at 7:08pm. A total of 71 parents and Olney Elementary School staff attended and quorum was met.

- Introductions of the PTA board and committee heads, school staff and parents in attendance.
- PTA Business
  - Donna Lakso moves to approve the previous meeting's minutes. Dana Foster seconds the motion and the previous PTA minutes are approved with no objections.
  - Tanya Arias moves to approve the PTA Bylaws. Bethany Chung seconds the motion and the Bylaws are approved with no objections.
  - The PTA President, Mariah Payne discussed how to stay informed and involved
    - Lots more activity/updates on FB, will keep website updated, join listserv
  - The PTA President, Mariah Payne gave an overview of PTA plans for the year
    - New activity – ice cream social, Pam Harp coordinating, BR sponsoring
    - Book fair in October
    - Back to school night 9/19 – wish wall for staff
    - Panera 1<sup>st</sup> restaurant night
    - Dragon Dash – 3<sup>rd</sup> year – Jessica Chappell
  - The PTA Treasurer, Lyn Pugh, gave an overview of the 2017-2018 budget.
    - Question from member: Why is there a doubling of program expenses
      - Response from Mariah Payne, president: new events: Spring Fling, End-of-year events, ice cream social; also due to reformatting of budget
    - Question from member – what is the big school expense this year?
      - Response from Mariah Payne, president: Gift to OES – covering cost of picnic tables, hopefully we will be able to donate Chromebooks
    - Allison Robinson moves to approve the proposed budget. Jeremie Lipczenko seconds the motion and the previous PTA minutes are approved with no objections.
  - Financial Review Committee Selection and Approval
    - Need 3 volunteers to complete the audit – needs to be done before 10/31
    - Question from member – Do guidelines exist for the audit?

- Response from Jill Fecko, past president – there are guidelines from MCCPTA (this is a review, not an official audit)
- Committee Updates
  - Christine Nowak – book fair 10/9-10/13 – will be looking for volunteers!
  - Ilene Less, Celeste Henry- membership coordinators, get access to online directory if join by 10/1
  - Bethany Chung – county volunteer training good for 3 years
  - Pam Harp – need ice cream scoopers for social next week – will send sign up genius
  - Heidi Bogdansky – co chair box top committee – 2 big pushes this year
- Principal Carla Glawe and Assistant Principal Cindy Chichester welcomed attendees and gave a school update.
  - Almost 700 students in school this year – an increase from last year
  - This week have been going over expectations with students
  - Buses coming from Farquhar MS – will address afternoon tardiness next week if continues. Send bus concerns to Mrs. Glawe who will forward to bus supervisor
  - Revamping Dragon Ticket system - now called Dragon Dollars. Will have a store where students can spend coupons - need volunteer to run store
  - To get new teacher in 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 3 classes need to have 28 students, currently 2 have 28
  - Birthday celebration – parent can donate book to classroom, possibly come in and read the book (depends on each teacher's preference)
  - Ms. Mayhew working on Girls on the Run
  - Donna Lakso working on lunch room volunteer list, also looking for recess volunteers

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm by PTA President Mariah Payne.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Leah Sera  
 OES PTA Secretary