

Olney Elementary School  
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Olney Elementary School PTA Meeting  
October 3, 2017 at 7pm

The Olney Elementary School PTA met on October 3, 2017 at 7pm in the school's media center. The PTA president, Mariah, called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Parents and Olney Elementary School staff attended and quorum was met.

- Introductions of the PTA board
- PTA Business
  - Pam Harp moves to approve the previous meeting's minutes. Donna Lakso seconds the motion and the previous PTA minutes are approved with no objections.
  - The PTA President, Mariah Payne discussed how to stay informed and involved. Watch for updates on FB, will keep website updated, join listserv
  - The PTA Treasurer, Lyn Pugh, gave the treasurer's report.
  - Update from Montgomery County PTA
- Committee Updates
  - Bethany Chung – explaining that each volunteer for the school needs to do the county training and print out the certificate and give it to the office. This training needs to be done on a laptop.
  - Ilene Less, Celeste Henry- membership coordinators, We have 355 single and family membership and 25 teachers joined. We will accept New members through the year. Members will have access to the online school directory.
  - Tanya Arias myschoolanywhere directory/app 169 parents registered but, we need all parents to register so we have a complete directory. Myschoolanywhere can be accessed from a laptop or as an app on your cell phone. You can print it out the classes or grades you want. Please help get the word out so we can have all the children in the directory.
  - Coleen Siansky book fair 10/9-10/13. We have wish list for teachers. This year we are moving the book fair for milk and cookies night to the gym.
  - Christine Nowak – book fair needs volunteers for set up and break down, we need helping moving to the gym and then to set it back up in the media center. 5% discount for volunteers.
  - Marilena Crawford Color run dragon dash is Saturday Oct 21st. Our website is live and the kids can start raising money. Our goal is \$16,000 and we will be buying chrome books again this year. Orange theory was unavailable to do our warm up but, we were able to get someone from Gold Gym. We are still looking for sponsors so, if you know anyone have them contact us. We are also, ordering shirts so you can get your 2017 color run shirt or wear a white T shirt to run in. We are looking for volunteers to help the day of. No rain date for this event.

- Lynn Magee Milk and cookies night October 11th. We need more volunteers because we have a reading going on in the media center, music room and the actual milk and cookies in the all purpose room. 6:30 -7:30. Schedule of teachers reading time will be posted.
- Mariah spoke about the annual pie drive. Wednesday before Thanksgiving families can donate a pie. We provide a pie for each staff, teacher and bus drivers. Please watch for sign up genius.
- Heidi Bogdansky – co chair box top committee – 2 big pushes this year November 1st and March 1st. We encourage you to bring in as many as you can because each class that collects the most per grade will win a prize. Also, even after March 1st you can send them in because we can save them for next year. The tops collected last year after our box top drive was over have given us \$200 towards this year.
- Principal Carla Glawe and Assistant Principal Cindy Chichester welcomed attendees and gave a school update.
  - Thank you to the PTA for game tables that are outside for recess. This is for kids that may want to color or play checkers or chess.
  - Spoke about the devastation in the past few weeks. Natural disasters and tragedy in Las Vegas. Just want you to know that I care about you and your kids. Just want you to know that people in this building love and care about your kids. We want your kids to learn and be safe. Thankful for this community and all the people that work here.
  - Announced three new community outreach projects. We want to show the kids that this is what communities do, we help each other.
    1. Staff to staff event. Wildlake HS staff breakfast for the teacher who was killed from Olney. She had many ties to our community and staff here.
    2. Supply drive for animal shelter.
    3. Comfort Cases backpacks drive in the spring for foster children. We may be doing a Saturday event so we can stuff the backpacks
  - Mrs. Chichester announced that she had a message from Ms. Bombara that if your family needs assistance during the holiday specifically the Thanksgiving day baskets the deadline is Oct 18th.
- Questions/Comments
  - Question raised about the Buses. Mrs. Glawe said they are still watching the time. If you have any concerns, send her an email and she will pass it onto our contact at the bus depot.
  - Question was raised about if we would be doing TRES this year. Mariah answered yes and that it the program will start in November.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm by PTA President Mariah Payne.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Jessica Chappell  
 OES PTA Vice President