



Old Mill Elementary PTA Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM
Teacher Lounge

Members present: Natalie Edwards, Corine Cook, Jeff Peterson, Amber Peterson, Principal Discher, Amber Overton, Becky Hicken, April Owens

Meeting Conducted by: Natalie Edwards

Thought: Natalie Edwards

Pledge: Corine Cook

Minutes Approved: April Owens and Natalie Edwards

Treasury Report: Looking good from Jeff Peterson

Principal Discher: Brought a couple guests to talk about the global community fundraiser. Mrs Discher talked about her experience in Minnesota and talked about the things going on in the schools and felt like a place that she didn't want to raise a child. Compared to the schools here in Utah, the schools are much safer. She wants to have the kids to be able to experience other communities past Utah. A way for us to see a global connection between schools.

Light of Love Foundation - Students 4 Students fundraiser program. Looking for funds for Marc Bolan School of Music and Film in Sierra Leone, Africa. They have a vision of the possibility of music to affect the children in Africa. The students have had about 40 instruments donated already, they are currently in a temporary building and still needs funds to build the new building.

In April we could bring in the gratitude trait for the month and have Dale the puppet present gratitude, to introduce the fundraiser. They have a form already made out with the details of the fundraiser that could go home with the children. Mrs Discher would like a visual video to show the kids so that they can get excited about it. Would provide a zebra/giraffe jar for each class for the kids to put their money in so they can see it progress through the month.

Becky Hicken: Literacy month went great. They have a paper with some ideas for changes and ideas for next year. Possibly next year do something also for the losing class teacher.

Field Day: Dates available for Field Day – Thursday May 25th

Preliminary ideas – Morning Session we have 14 classes and 14 classes for the afternoon. Preschool they are going to do there own mini field day. Palmer needs to be in the morning. 3 kindergarten classes in the morning. 9:00 to 12:00 and then 12:00 to 3:00 - Lunch between afternoon kids 11:30 to 12:00 and then morning kids 12:00 to 12:30 and then start back up at 12:30. Trying to balance the time at each station.

Day of Service: Have the teachers pick something for their class to do. Add in to next years agenda. Picking up trash, doing a field trip, writing letters, hygiene kits and collected throughout the year and then assembled all the supplies

Boundary Comments: Currently have 50 applications for open enrollment and there is still a month left for open enrollment. Class sizes are already getting large, there will be a possibility of portables for some of the extra classes like art and music. When will we know how many teachers per class? They will make a list public of teacher assignments end of march. Mrs Discher is calling for at least a 5% growth, that will allow hiring 3 new teachers as of now.

Amber Overton: There are \$1,500 worth of scholastic dollars that expire in July. Interested in guided reading books for the whole school. Book fair March 27-31. Book fair will have classroom previews Tuesday and Wednesday. Tuesday will be Moms and Muffins so it will need to be extra staffed. It is Buy one get one free so there will be a third register. Theft has been an issue, have a dedicated person at the toys and the door. The kids need to show money during recess to get in to the book fair. Tear down will be on Friday morning. March 24th is setup.

Natalie Edwards: Feedback for “Fight the New Drug” a lot of people were impressed with the way that it was presented. They found out by Utah state law that there needed to be a human sexuality committee, they had to change it up to become a community night. For next year, they want to be able to do things throughout the year. White ribbon week, media and technology safety, preparing kids to make wise choices with the media and technology. White Ribbon Week will be supported by the district. It is \$60 to get the teacher booklets or you can get the pdf and print out your own.

Fresh bakery sold her business. Price shop Smith’s, Lee’s and Ridley’s and check with Erika Stover about where she gets her pastries.

Upcoming Calendar of Events

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| March 27-31 | Book Fair (BOGO) |
| March 28 | Moms & Muffins |
| March 30 | Grandparent’s Day |
| April | OME Bus Appreciation |
| April 20 | OME PTA Meeting |
| May | Teacher Appreciation |
| May 25 | Field Day |

Meeting adjourned at 11:30AM

Date Accepted: OME PTA Secretary: Amber Peterson