

Owego Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization (OES-PTO)
General Meeting January 11, 2011 7:00pm in OES Cafeteria

Meeting called by Co-President Jennifer Dove

Attendance: Jennifer Dove, Kathie Arroyo, Traci Potter, Sharon McFarland, Laurie McKeveny, Sue Sindoni, Corey Barrows, Janey Sargent (OA Foundation), Karlie Both, Linda Shultz.

Welcome-Introductions:

- A. **Welcome, Introductions, Meeting Timing**— Meetings will follow the agenda and be limited to 1 hour. Any topics not covered can be handled through committee or emails. Reminder from the Club Positive staff –, due to liability risks please do not allow children attending the meeting to play with the Club Positive toys.
- B. **Review minutes from December meeting** – Minutes were distributed and posted on the website. Minutes were approved.
- C. **Treasurer's Report**– see attached report for current account information. Please turn in any outstanding 2010 Holiday Shoppe receipts for reimbursement to Sharon as soon as possible. Label requests for 2010 Holiday Shoppe to avoid confusion with the 2011 shopping.
- D. **OA Foundation for Excellence in Education** Janey Sargent shared a presentation about OAFFEE. The OA Foundation provides scholarships to students in the OA district and grants for educational purposes in the OA educational community. They meet on the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00pm at Scott Smith & Son. New members are always welcome. **They are hosting a Wine & Beer Tasting Event & Silent Auction on Friday January 14th at the Treadway from 6-9pm.** Tickets will be available at the door. The annual Team Trivia Night fundraiser is set for February 25th at the Elk's Lodge. The PTO is encouraged to sign up for a table. If anyone is available to attend this fun evening let Traci Potter know. We will discuss it further at the next PTO meeting. For more information go to www.OAFoundation.com.
- E. **Old Business**
 1. **T-Shirts** – Traci has nothing new to report. She'll follow up with Kathy Lawrence to see how the design is coming along.
 2. **Holiday Shoppe** –The holiday shoppe was a great success. Kathie thanks everyone who helped. The teachers gave a positive response. They said it was the nicest layout. Kathie is already shopping for next year, taking advantage of the discounts as the Dollar Store closes and holiday clearance sales. Kathie has created a plan for providing wrapping supplies to kindergarten & 1st grade students. We will provide a zip lock bag with tags, tissue paper and bows for each student. They can then use these supplies at home or in the classroom to wrap their purchases. **A volunteer is needed to pre-package these wrapping kits.** It can be done at home at your convenience. Contact Kathie@oespto.org if you can help.
- F. **New Business**
 1. **Winter Ball** – Stephanie Darrah and Margaret Espe have volunteered to co-chair this event. The dance will be open for all students on Friday January 21 6:30 – 7:30. Mr. McEvoy will provide DJ services. They will be having students decorate paper mittens for decorating the gym. They are planning to have photographs taken for students. The theme is Winter Wonderland. Students are invited to wear their favorite winter outfit. An adult must attend with students. A suggestion was made to have a donation bucket at the snack table for PTO.

Volunteers are needed to:

 - **Donate store bought packages of cookies, chips, cupcakes, punch or juice, decorations or other party supplies (or money to be put towards the supplies purchase)**
 - **Help decorate and set up for the dance.**
 - **Work the snack tables during the dance.**
 - **Help clean up after the dance.**

If you can help, please contact Stephanie Darrah at OES 687-6261 or Darrahs@oacsd.org. Please let her know if you are planning to donate something so we can have a correct count prior to shopping.
 2. **Grandparent's Day** – OES will be hosting a Grandparent's day on March 25th. Details are still being worked, including a schedule for each grade level. The Shared Decision Making Team is coordinating this event. They have asked the PTO to provide snacks. PTO approved this. **We need a volunteer to coordinate the snacks for March 25th.** If you can help please contact Jennifer Dove at Jennifer@oespto.org

G. Principal Topics –

1. **Tioga Science Fair** – Melissa Dobson has received a few inquiries from OES families. The science fair will be on March 8th. It will probably be small this year and grow in the future. Contact Melissa if you have questions melissakdobson@aol.com (315)744-2301

H. Open Discussions –

1. **Price Chopper Points** – Sue reported that we have 43,435 points so far. That is an increase from last year. Keep shopping, the program runs for another month or two. Then we will redeem the points for play ground equipment for all grade levels.
2. **BINGO Night – March 11th. Volunteers are needed to help plan this event.** Contact Corey Barrows at 727-3799 or barrowscorey@hotmail.com if you can help. Jobs include arranging for prizes, snacks, BINGO supplies etc.

I. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – February 10th 3:30pm

1. BINGO Night
2. T-shirts
3. OA Foundation Team Trivia Night
4. Grandparent's Day - volunteer

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Attachments: Treasurer's report
Minutes submitted by T. Potter.

Treasurer's Report

OES PTO

January 11, 2011

- ❖ Balance of Checking account as of 1/11/11: \$1729.38
- ❖ Balance of Savings account as of 1/03/11: \$5,032.78
- ❖ Balance of CD Investment (on 1/15/11): \$10,218.19
- ❖ Income since 12/09/10:

Holiday Shoppe 2010	\$2,148.75
T-Shirt Sales	\$10.00
Fall Box Tops	<u>\$696.70</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,855.45

- ❖ Expenditures since 12/09/10:

Holiday Shoppe 2010	\$202.64
PTO Supplies	\$46.98
Character Ed Program	\$192.00
4 th Grade-Kopernik Program	\$200.00
4 th Grade Grant	\$400.00
Holiday Shoppe 2011	<u>\$685.34</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,726.96

Holiday Shoppe- any outstanding reimbursements for H.S. 2010 should be turned in asap.

H.S. 2010 Totals: Spent-\$1662.76, Deposited-\$1912.75

CD's are maturing 1/15/11 and funds will be transferred to Savings.

Other Savings Accounts

- ❖ 4th Grade Balance as of 1/03/11: \$2,067.29
- ❖ 5th Grade Balance as of 1/03/11: \$5,334.53

