

Orem Elementary PTA

Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2012, 9:30am

Volunteer Hours:

905 (445 carnival + 460 walk-in)

Attendance:

Amy Chariton	Jeselyn Peery	Rachelle Bolingbroke	Heather Stewart
Cathy Ambrose	Mimi Petty	Nicole Brittain	Melissa Clayton
Karen Wynn	Toni Carlson	Serena Wixom	Sandi West
Adelia Esseltine	Melissa Breiter	Lori Sanders	Vicki Wiesenberg
Bunney Schmidt	Lori Atoa	Amy Madsen	
Katie Anderson	Michelle H-Morris	Angela Seegmiller	

Reverence: Karlie VerHoef

Story of the Littlest Cloud. Get to work and get dirty so you can help others bloom and grow.

Approval of Minutes: Cathy Ambrose - Secretary

September 2012 minutes approved

Motion: Karen Wynn

2nd: Karli VerHoeff

Treasurer's Report: Karen Wynn

- We rocked carnival - \$16,000
- Pretty much everything has cleared, including council obligations

Brief Review in Behalf of Principal: Amy Chariton

- Sent out letter explaining where the grant money went and what the carnival money goes to. Did not give details of grant purchases for safety reasons.
- Digital Marquee is up and running – send announcements for approval to Amy C. and she sends them to Rachelle to approve/post.

Book Fair: Serena Wixom

- Sent around sign-up for volunteers. Amy C. will send out an email also to fill spots.

WatchDOGS: Katie Anderson

- Sign-up sent around for helpers to serve pizza and manage activities

Carnival Wrap Up: Bunney Schmidt

- Comments if you can't make it to the meeting
- Ponies need to come before carnival starts. Unloading was scary with all the kids running around the trailer.

After School Programs: Amy Chariton

- Stephanie Ellis is in charge.
- Email attachment was sent with newsletter with info.
- Sign-ups Afterschool Today and Friday
- Discussion regarding having sign-ups during P/T conference – manning the cash box is an issue, decided against it.

Walk to School Day: Cathy Ambrose

- Students start arriving at 7:30. Meet at flagpole and get a Clementine
- Crossing guards will meet at school at 8:05
- Small presentation by Orem Mayor Evans, UVU Pres. Matt Holland
- Maybe a group photo by Jes
- UVU and MVHS cheer will be there. Bunney Schmidt doesn't think MVHS cheer is in the know, they have a busy pep day going already. Bunney confirmed that we can't have MVHS cheer. They will be coming for Red Ribbon Week.

Red Ribbon Week: *Karli VerHoef*

- Oct. 8-10
- Needing Parent Support/volunteers.
- Essay contest, Coloring contest, door decorations.
- Karli asked the teacher reps for feedback. Suggested the essay be super short.
- Karli said if we move the BYU football assembly to November, we can get the whole team.
- Bobby Lawrence karate is coming Tuesday.

Box Tops: *Vicki Wiesenberg*

- October 22-26.
- Will send home flyer.
- Top two classes get a cookie party

District SCC Meeting at OES.: *Rachelle Bolingbroke*

- October 17
- Parents please come with your questions for the district.

Reflections: *Jeselyn Peery*

- The Magic of a Moment – theme
- Due on October 25 in front office
- New: after awards night, parents have to submit to the next level online. We will need access to computer lab to do so.
- Will try for a Menchies party for the winners
- Suggested to teachers not to make it a class assignment, got too many essays about the same thing last year. But do encourage submissions of various kinds.

Principal Report: *Rachelle Bolingbroke*

- Thanks for a great carnival
- Adelia Esseltine is helping with the weekly email/newsletter. Send items to Amy or Adelia to be submitted.
- Marque is up
- Info TV in hall is working. Please send anything you want on it to Linda Gardner via email
- Halloween. PM common day. Party/parade/home.
- It was suggested to keep the layout like last year – snaking through the gym instead of a circle, it allowed for more seating. Parade to start for parents at 2:45 or maybe 3:00
- Sandi West, OES teacher, is working on her administrator degree and is sitting in to observe

Teacher Rep.: *Heather Stewart*

- Stuco starts today
- Stuco is helping with Walt to School day and Red Ribbon week, etc.

Family Fun Run: *Amy Madsen*

- Nov. 3
- No Make A Wish recipient has been selected yet.
- Need volunteers to help at 6:30am
- Race at 9, Registration/check-in at 8
- Register online at runnerscard.com or in person with form.

Ski School: *Melissa Clayton*

- January
- Must be 8+ for lift safety
- Snowboarding starts at age 9
- Use own equipment or rent. Has a connection to rent \$10 a session.
- It was asked if parents can take lessons too. They can, but they wouldn't be doing it at ski school prices. They would just have to show up and take lessons privately at the same time.

Family Movie Night: *Bunney Schmidt*

- Thurs, Oct 15
- Will see how Thursday compares to Monday turnout
- Questions regarding certain scenes in Brave – will use Clear Play and be sure to announce the selection with a link to the movie review so families can decide for themselves if they want to watch.

Family Skate Night: *Amy Chariton*

- October 22
- Discussion about holding activities on Monday because of traditional Family Home Evening
- Will have second skate night in March on a Thursday and compare turnouts.
- Some feel Mondays should not be used for school activities, but some feel that the activity is fine if it is family based. It was pointed out for some families, that for some, the school family activities are the only family activities they participate in.

MISC.: *Amy Chariton*

- Mindy Harman needs help with FLEX volunteers
- Amy needs a PTA Volunteer coordinator
- She also needs a legislative VP

Home Reading.: *Michelle Herbert-Morris*

- 1st grade has already started, other grades to begin soon
- Michelle will also help with the Road to Success reading program.
- School and PTA will buy black Friday scooters/rip-sticks to enhance prizes, besides the bike provided by the program
- Rachelle clarified that every student gets an award each month for participating.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40

Next meeting on November 6 at 9:30am