

Minutes

Odyssey Charter School PTO Meeting Agenda

April 17, 2013

7:00 – 8:15 P.M.

Executive Committee	Shelly Towler, President; Leslie Donohue, Vice-President; Danielle Wenzel, Secretary; LaToya Dionne, Treasurer
Guests	Dr. Nick Manolakos, Head Master; Mrs. Strauss

PTO Dates to Remember:

April	17	PTO Meeting – Officer Nominations for 2013-14 school year begin
	20	Coffee with Dr. Manolakos, Upper School Library
	22	Scholastic Book Fair BOGO begins
	26	Soles4Souls shoe collection ends AND Scholastic Book Fair ends
May	1	PTO Meeting – Officer Elections for 2013-14 held, members in <i>good standing</i> may vote
	13	Teacher Appreciation week begins
	17	Teacher Appreciation week ends
	24	Spirit Day
	31	Field Day

Fundraising Information:

- Barnes and Nobel Family Fun Night: Earned \$171.00. **Grand total from Family Fun Nights: \$867.00**
- Campbell's Soup Labels for Education will be roughly 30K in points. These points will be shared by Mr. Laudeman, Ms. Dries and Mrs. Ciraco. They already purchased several classroom items from the catalog.
- **Paving the Way Grand Total: \$17,550.00**
- School Store: If you would like to purchase a hoodie (navy with white writing) or a long sleeve t-shirt (gray with navy writing), please contact Kim Wolanski, kim@wolanski.net
- \$1 Dress Down Day raised \$565.00 for Justin's Beach House. To date the organization has purchased a beach buggy and 2 Adirondack chairs for their guests to enjoy.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Scholastic Book Fairs: Lower School, 4/22 – 4/26, contact: Shelly Towler, detowlers@msn.com
Upper School, 4/22 – 4/24, contact: Trevor Saunders, trevor.saunders@verizon.net
- Teacher Appreciation: May 13 – 17, contact: Kathleen Seiple, kdseiple@comcast.net

Dr. M's Report

- Hiring of new staff for the 2013-2014 school year is going well with wonderful candidates.
- Lillian Fendell is leaving OCS for a teaching position at Newark Charter.
- Denise Parks has been hired as Curriculum Coordinator.
- There has been conditional approval for the modular classrooms to be in the current parking lot.
- Having an "Honors Society" within OCS is still in the works.

Staff Appreciation Report

- Week of 5/13 with a theme of "Honoring of Teachers and Staff Through our Five Senses"
- PTO purchased 2 Keurig Coffee Machines
- Events will include catered lunch & breakfast as well as a "Gift Card Lottery"
- Volunteers are needed and will be emailed.

Eric Shren from the Charter Schools Network spoke to our families about being active in the Charter School community. Two "Parent Captains" are needed from OCS. Information on being a Captain can be obtained by emailing Darlene O'Neill at darlene.oneill1@gmail.com.