

Odyssey Charter School PTO Meeting Minutes
September 5, 2018

Call to Order: 7:04pm

Head Count: 24

Executive Committee Kim Federico, President; Colleen Domanski, Vice President of Administration; Lisa Freidel, Vice-President of Membership; Casey Bowne, Recording Secretary; Nina Ortiz, Correspondence Secretary and Michelle Ortiz, Treasurer

Guests in Attendance Denise Parks, Head of School; Stephanie Beckel, Dean of Intermediate School (3-6); Ashley Sorenson, Dean of High School (7-11); Evan Winokur, Manager of Transportation; Laura Thompson Parent Elect Board Member; Michael Klezaras, Board PTO Representative; Kim Wolanski, Food Service Manager; Zach Plerhopoles, OCS faculty

I. Welcome/Introduction of Committee Members

II. Recap of Previous Months – Kim Federico

- a. Used Uniform Sale in August
 - i. Huge Success – Quarterly sales in the future
 - ii. Back to School Bash – Thanks to all that volunteered

III. Upcoming Events - Kim Federico

- a. Grottos Family Night – September 25th
- b. Pretzels Sales – Tuesdays
- c. AHEPA 5k – September 29th
- d. PTO Dress Down Day – October 5th
- e. Book Fair – October 15-19 (need volunteers)
- f. Trunk or Treat – October 19th
- g. Used Uniform Sale – November 7th
- h. Walk-a-Thon – November (TBD)

IV. Administration’s Report – Denise Parks

- a. Approx. 1,800 students in grades K-11
- b. Volunteers needed for upcoming events
- c. PTO funds – New copier in building 23, beautifying our campus, staff team building-shirts, field day shirts, school garden (donate to food bank and use in our cafeterias), technology, etc.

V. Treasurer’s Report – Michelle Ortiz

- a. Reviewed balance – surplus from last year

VI. Transportation Update - Evan Winokur

- a. DELDOT – Construction along 141 should be finalized by Thanksgiving
- b. Carline/bus issues should be fixed in the next two weeks
- c. OCS purchased 5 new propane buses
- d. Discussed issue with bus windows/no AC – all windows are allowed to be opened. Bus drivers have been contacted regarding this issue
- e. Finalizing bus drivers for each route
- f. www.wheresthebus.com – be sure to update information. Email support if your app is not working

VII. Board Report – Laura Thompson

- a. Review of new board members: Joe Wolcott, President; Abby LeGrow, Vice President; George Hantzandreou, Treasurer; Laura Thompson, Secretary; Elias Rigas, Board Member; Michael L. Kirifides, Board Member; Michael Klezaras, Board Member; George D. Moutsatsos, Board Member
- b. Succession Committee – goal is to improve communication while assessing resources, receive parent feedback (school meetings, surveys, etc.)
- c. AHEPA 5k reminder – looking for sponsors

VIII. Food Services Update – Kim Wolanski

- a. Now have 6-8 food choices in each cafeteria (working on showcasing on website)
- b. Items from garden used in the cafeteria
- c. Kindergarten parents – no need to preorder online
- d. Email Kim if you have questions

IX. Open Discussion

- a. Zach Plerhoples – Pathway for Greener Schools (potential field trip), Dress Down to raise money for chicken coops, water filling stations
- b. Laura Thompson – Grant to win \$45,000 for technology
- c. Parent – Shout out to Renee Ickes and Evan Winokur for all of their help this summer
- d. Possibility of first aid/CPR training
- e. Potential incentives rather than fundraising in the future

Meeting Adjourned: 8:24pm

Next Meeting: October 3, 2018

Used Uniform Sale: November 7, 2018