**Olde Sawmill Elementary**

**PTO Minutes-January 12th 2021**

**Welcome**

President, Ashley Oliver welcomed everyone to the January, 12th 2021 (Virtual) PTO Meeting.

Ashely Oliver called the January 2021 OSE PTO meeting to order Tuesday January 12th at 7:01 PM.

**Attendance:**

* Ashley Oliver, Mike Castro, Martha Barley, Daniela Gilliam, Tricia Hoffman, Andrea Chambers-Chrisp, Christina Goodwin, Maggie Toth, Becky Kinnaird

**Last Meeting Minutes:**

* Approval of November 10th, 2020 minutes
* No edits or revisions suggested
* Motion made by Christina Goodwin for approval of minutes
* 2nd by Daniela Gilliam
* Motion approved no objections or abstentions

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT Martha Barley - Principal**

* **Principal’s Report Martha Barley ● Thank you for the “ChOSE Happy” t-shirts. Students and staff LOVE them!**
* **Parent Teacher Conferences February 9 and 18; 4 - 8 PM**
* **Celebration of Clovers “Winter Raffle”**
	+ Each item received a random number (objective; two guest teachers who did not know students) ○ Student body roster numbered and matched to gifts
	+ Names announced Monday - Friday (January 11 - 15); Office pick-up at 10:30a and 3:00p
		- ■ K-1 Monday
		- ■ 2 Tuesday
		- ■ 3 Wednesday
		- ■ 4 Thursday
		- ■ 5 Friday
* **Meals**
	+ Look for the Lunch Link in weekly News and Notes (continue at no cost)
	+ OSE no longer midday pick-up site
* **Pictures**
	+ Spring Pictures--tentatively scheduled for early March
	+ Working on RLA evening schedule (hoping for same day as Hybrid in-person)
* **Yearbook Cover Contest is complete**
	+ Yearbook sale deadline is February 26; no announcement(s) made yet...flyers coming home soon
* **Field Day**
	+ Open discussion about inflatable deposit:
		- Last year we did not lose a deposit (~1,500), do we want to pursue it and put the funds at risk?
	+ Open discussion about various options for field day instead of traditional field day
		- Time slots were discussed
	+ Path forward: Discus with staff about the potential of non-traditional option.
	+ 1500 is approved for the deposit for the event
	+ Looking to pursue an option for the kids

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**

* **P.E.R.C (Parents Encouraging Responsible Choices)**
	+ Wednesday, January 20th 6:30 p.m.- 8:00p.m. "Looking Ahead: Planning for Success in High School and Beyond." (More information on the attached flyer.)
* **Stress and Change**
	+ Thursday, January 21st 9:30 a.m. and 7:00p.m. "Stress and Change." (More information on the attached flyer.)
* **Columbus Library Talk “Stamped”**
	+ In addition, The Columbus Library is hosting a talk with the author, Jason Reyonlds (Stamped). This will be held online at 4 p.m. on Sunday, January 24th. More Information can be found here: <https://www.columbuslibrary.org/one-book>
* **Recreation Center Virtual Courses**
	+ Hidden in Plain Sight – 144104:
		- Join Dublin Police Officer Paul Burks virtually as he discusses the ways people addicted to opioids and other drugs may covertly keep their drugs hidden. This virtual connection program is a 30 minute pre-recorded presentation to share ways that someone you know may be involved in drug or alcohol use. Once registered, participants are sent program details and the virtual connection instructions to view. The virtual program link is active/available to registered participants to view only during the specified dates listed.
	+ Be educated. Be engaged. Be empowered. Personal Safety for Women – 144101:
		- This virtual connection program encompasses the in-person instruction previously offered through the Dublin Police Department, and brings it directly to you for continued safety and learning at home. Learn how to protect yourself through this 50 minute pre-recorded presentation that aims to introduce women 14\* years of age and older to an array of subjects that concern personal safety. Gain knowledge and develop techniques to improve your safety awareness on assessing your surroundings, identifying danger, and how to quickly and effectively interact when confronted with a threat. Once registered, participants are sent program details and the virtual connection instructions to view. The virtual program link is active/available to registered participants to view only during the specified dates listed.
* **2021-22 Kindergarten registration information**
	+ Kindergarten registration for next school year is now open
* **PTO Events Update**
	+ Family Bingo, Cosi on Wheels, and Celebration of Clovers are cancelled for 2021
* **Thank You's**
	+ Martha Barley, Amy Dwyer, & Becky Kinnard for helping raffle off last year's Clover's items to staff and students, Erin Barrett and the teachers for getting the amazing ChoOSE Happy shirt out for the kids.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

* Budget Report
	+ Spirit wear profit, and restaurant night profit checks, Kroger rewards, Choose Happy, Taxes, ~54,000 is account balance
	+ Reviewed financial updates, available on OSE PTO website
	+ Reminder we need to find a treasurer replacement

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

* **Restaurant Night**
	+ Next event is tomorrow the 13th at Raising Canes in Powell, also we received checks from Roosters (over $300!) and from last March's fundraiser at Laguna Mexican Street food (over $100)!
* **Spirit Wear**
	+ Concept for simple Irish logo discussed
	+ Art contest idea for spirit wear discussed that children would vote on
	+ A few parents would like to purchase ChOSE Happy shirts
* **Bricks**
	+ They have been delivered and Mike is waiting for warmer weather to get them installed.
* **Spirit Week**
	+ We are a go for a spring spirit week! In touch with the staff members who are in charge of the right to read week as well. I'm wondering if we should combine or do two separate spirit weeks? I would probably vote for two separate weeks, If so the question is when to have it? The week before spring break (but that may be right after right to read) or the first week of May for a "let's finish strong"? I will update you at the February meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

* **Sound System**
	+ Moved to table the topic to next meeting
* **ChoOSE Happy T-Shirts**
	+ Shirts went over budget
	+ Motion was made for an amendment to the original grant for t-shirts by Christina Goodwin to cover the amount the shirts exceeded budget
		- Motion seconded by Daniela Gilliam and passed without objections

**NEW BUSINESS**

* **Mums Sale (Maggie Toth) :**
	+ Considering doing spring sale of flowers via Fort Myers
	+ PTO will be branding this as more of a service then a fund raiser
	+ Ashely Oliver made a motion to offer a spring flower sale through Fortmeyer
		- Seconded by Christina Goodwin
* **February PTO Meeting Cancelled**
	+ February PTO meeting was cancelled due to conflict with parent

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

* 1/18 No School
* 2/9 Parent Teacher Conference Night – Virtual
* 2/12 No School
* 2/15 No School
* 2/18 Parent Teacher Conference Night - Virtual

**Meeting Adjournment**

* Martha Barley moved to adjourn the meeting 7:46 pm
	+ Daniela Gilliam seconded
* Vote passed by all in attendance
* At 7:47 PM meeting was adjourned