

OMS PTO Meeting 1/14/2021

Attendees: Genavieve Burbas – President, Candice Feiner – Vice President, Kris Haselton-Treasurer, Dacia Beazley- OMS Principal

Meeting began at approx. 7:15PM

Recap on Staff Lunch from December: PTO provided lunch from 5-1 Diner (pasta, salad), pop, water, and desserts on Wednesday December 9th. \$418.40 was spent, \$343.69 was donated by parents. Staff were incredibly thankful and enjoyed the lunch very much.

Treasurer's report – Motion to approve – Candice Feiner, Seconded by Genavieve Burbas.

Principal's report:

Staff really appreciated the gifts they received from the use of the "Staff Favorite Things" Spreadsheet. Really thankful to the families that took the time to give a gift.

School is going really well. There will be 85 students returning from OVA to seated school, but 18 students moving from seated school to OVA at the semester change. There was a section added in 7th and 8th grade to cover the extra kids. Teachers are moving around a bit to cover; no new teachers were hired. Because of this, some kids may have different teachers for the second semester. Schedules will be released Tuesday (Jan 19th).

During the first 3 days of the new semester there will be a lot of people in hallways, etc., to help the new kids acclimate to being in school. This will include teachers as well as 8th graders.

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for February 25th from 4-7PM. Almost 100% sure they will be virtual.

In February OMS music teachers and counselors will visit the elementary schools and talk to the 5th graders.

High School Counselors are coming to OMS History classes Feb 3rd, 4th, & 5th to talk to 8th graders. They will be back the following week and the kids will actually schedule their High School classes online at that point.

State testing is still on the schedule for after Spring Break. 8th graders will take PSAT 8 for math and ELA, as well as MSTEP for Science and Social Studies. 6th & 7th grade will take MSTEP.

Sports are beginning to start back up. Boys Basketball practices resume next week, though there are no games until at least February. Parents are allowed to come to the games. Girls Volleyball and Cheer should start up in February, as well as Wrestling.

Dacia is hoping to start some clubs back up next month. Homework club is a big one that they hope to open back up.

PTO is working on ideas to celebrate the kids this year. One of the ideas is to bring Kona Ice to the school during the school day for a treat. Beginning to think about what we can do for 8th graders to celebrate.

Staff is working on ideas for the awards ceremonies.

There will be massive construction this summer at OMS (and other schools on the East side of M24). OMS is getting a whole new Wildcat Drive, new parking lots, new sidewalks and a new Parent Drop off area! They are also getting all new lighting!

There is still no official decision about the D.C. trip though Brightspark has cancelled all trips through the end of March. Our trip is scheduled for April, so as of now it's still on.

The school Calendar for next year is currently being worked on. School will start on August 30th.

End principal report.

Open items: We need new board members for next year as most of us will not have students at OMS any longer. Dacia is going to put info in the next newsletter.

Our next PTO meeting is set for February 11th at 7PM via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at approx. 8:40PM