



Old Farmers Road School PTO

Long Valley, NJ

OFRS PTO General Membership Meeting

Tuesday September 24 @ 7pm

OFRS Cafeteria

1. Call to order
7:04 pm
2. President's Welcome
Thank you to everyone for attending, 50+ people (sign in sheet in back of room) lots of new faces, intro of exec board
3. Principal's Welcome
 - a. Thank you to the PTO for:
 - i. The yard work/clean up of the school grounds over the summer
 - ii. Thank you for the amazing staff breakfast on in service days
 - iii. Thank you for the K bus bagel breakfast
 - iv. Thank you for the back to school supplies for students in need and for the grants for each teacher. \$100 to each home room teacher and \$50 to each special for school supplies to start the year
 - v. In the school custodians hard at work repainting/paving the basketball courts & nets
 - vi. Lots of new staff & staff is all happy and excited for the school year
 - vii. Mrs Hawkswell's goal is increased communications for this year
 - viii. Back to school night on 9/26/24- just parents not students
 - ix. Partnering with Long Valley Juniors- therapy Dogs at school
4. Teacher Liaisons
 - a. Mrs Hayes says ditto & she will pass on all info to the teachers
5. Treasurer Report
 - a. Current PTO balance is \$62,084
 - i. Projected spending for the year is \$70,543
 - ii. Will vote at the of meeting to approve budget- pass around balance sheets
 - iii. Recent purchases: insurance, website, step & repeat for pictures, teacher reimbursements & Laura for the school programs/assemblies for each grade level
6. Fundraising Report

Charleston Wrap goes until 11/25/24- so you have time to get your orders in before the holidays. Current funds raised through this passive fundraiser for us \$463

Color Run is biggest fund raiser of the year starts October 7th- will talk about in a minute

Around Thanksgiving we will again do the Pie fundraiser with Ort- also very passive just buy your holiday pie thru our link/pick up at Ort- OFRS PTO makes a little margin last year about \$300

7. Programs Report
 - a. Laura is currently booking the programs/assemblies sponsored by the PTO for the year. Each grade level gets 1
 - i. Pre K , K & 1st- holidays around the world
 - ii. 2- nudging the imagination
 - iii. 3rd- liberty science center/levers
 - iv. 4th Lenape Skills
 - v. 5th Trip to MPAC for Ellis Island Program
8. Community Relations Report
 - a. Cooking Night- free for OFRS Families- 6:30-7:30 pm October 4th- 1 kit per signed up student. Apple nachos & pickles to take home- NOT A DROP OFF EVENT... you have to help your student make these
 - b. Trunk or Treat - Friday October 25th 6-8pm OFRS parking lot- DJ Barry back again. Rain Date Sunday 27th 4-6pm- details will go out soon
9. Room Rep/Scheduling Report
 - a. Google form to get student/parent info/email addresses
 - b. Don't forget to join the PTO
 - c. Room Reps get 1 minute at back to school night in their classrooms to tell class to join PTO & talk about the fun things the PTO does
 - d. Halloween Class Party info coming soon
 - e. Other dates to know- follow Google calendar
 - f. Color Run Launch fundraising Oct 7th
 - g. Week of Respect Oct 7-11
 - h. School pictures October 9th
 - i. Color Run October 20th
 - j. Trunk or Treat Oct 25th 6-8 pm
 - k. Fall Clothing Drive- bag up your old clothes/shoes- October 31st school parking lot
 - l. Book fair during parent teacher conferences
10. Communications
 - a. Building communication HUBS make sure we get the right email address for you
11. Committee Chair Reports

- a. Color Run- woot woot our biggest fund raiser of the year. The actual run and color bombing is 11 am Sunday October 20th- 12:30 pm
 - i. We will launch on October 7 and run for 2 weeks. Goal for the school is to raise \$20,000. As students raise money they get prizes/tiers. \$50 sunglasses, \$100 headband \$200 color bomb a teacher
 - ii. Prize for class that raises the most \$- maybe an extra recess or home work passes
 - 1. We need volunteers to help throw the color @ the students
- b. Fall Clothing Drive
 - i. Oct 31st donations 8 am- 2pm \$ per pound. Bag up your clothes/shoes/linens/stuffed animals in white kitsch garbage bags. We raise money per pound. Things are donated to needy families not shredded
- c. Yearbook
 - i. Jostons \$24.97 each book- options for more \$ to customize
 - ii. Will send out a QR code to add pictures room reps in January meeting to learn how to make class page
 - iii. Take pictures when you are in the classroom!
- d. Tricky Tray
 - i. Early April- will be at Chandelier in Flanders again just working through date options
 - ii. Each class room will make a basket the reps are responsible for putting it together- option of theme sign up will come out soon
 - iii. They need lots of volunteers, solicit donations, social media, , put baskets together, - if you have extra baskets at any point in the next 6 months they'll take them

12. Unfinished Business

- a. Playground markings- finally May 2025 that we paid for pre-covid will finally be laid down
- b. Gaga pit flooring- students are getting cuts playing on GagaPits- we are looking into flooring options from \$50,000-\$4,000- will bring in samples of lowest cost options

13. New Business

- a. Vote on budget- approved / all in favor

14. Announcements

- a. WTS BOE Candidate Q&A 10/15/24 7-9pm Valley View Chapel
- b. Next General PTO Meeting 11/21/24 7pm

15. Adjourn

16. 7:49- 45 minute meeting wahoo!