



PTO Board Meeting Minutes November 15, 2011

17 Members present: John Clendaniel, Michelle Dunmeyer, Cynthia Wescott, Tressy McNamara, Susan Murrell, Sharon Dillon, Melinda del Mastro, Jane Fralix, Linda Kern, Shelly Hardin, Terri Neal, Kim Copeland, Susan Chase, Pam Tilman, , Kelli Shively, Sara Foreman, Leigh Schaefers, Becky Kyzer and Dawn Doyle.

Members absent: Felisha Floyd, Wanda Colston, Susan McGuckin, Jandi Withrow, Patty Stokes, April Smith, Cindy Pepler, Lynn Smith, Betty Green, Rochelle McLawhorn, Beth Abeyta, Tara Scozzaro, Steve Schonveld, Myoshi Middleton, Lori Matejka, Sandra Drayton, Karen Oliver, Caryn Vedane, Tanya Ancrum, Catherine Hoffman, Peggie Nielson, Claire Smith, Lisa Lamb, Angela Hlavac, Diane Probst, Robert O'Dell, Herbie Fralix, Ben McGuckin, Mary Morris, Lauren Stanley and Quianci Green.

Call to Order: Michelle Dunmeyer called the meeting to order at 6:34pm. Sharon Dillon read the OGECS Mission Statement.

Announcements – Michelle Dunmeyer: Thanks to everyone for attending and volunteering at events. Congratulations to OGECS on its Excellent Report Card rating. Seeking motion to purchase PTO page in OG yearbook. Sharon Dillon moved and Terri Neal seconded that the PTO purchase a 1 page ad in the OG yearbook for \$150.00. Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – October meeting: Motion to approve made by Pam Tilman; seconded by Susan Chase. Motion passed unanimously.

Ladies Night Out – Susan Chase: Saturday, Dec. 3rd, 7-10pm, St. Joe's, \$25 per ticket which includes 5 Drop Tickets and 1 Drink Ticket. Pam Tilman will email ticket order forms to parents. Pam will also send an email asking for volunteers to work. Susan asked that we gather shopping bags from now till the event for people to use in the venue that night. Eddie Stonaker's band is playing live. Has 35 vendors to date. Vendor fee is \$20 or donate a gift for drop ticket item. Vendors will decorate their tables. Still accepting vendors. Lisa Lamb and Mary Poston will be advertising to the car pool line. Forward ticket money to Pam Tilman.

Holiday Shop – Melinda Del Mastro: 12/5-9/2011, stage of multi-purpose room. A letter will go home with students the week after Thanksgiving. A sign-up sheet will be placed in the Teachers Lounge the same week. Shopping times will run with the bell schedule (not on the hour as in years past). Open shop per grade level is scheduled for Friday. Pam Tilman will send an email asking for volunteers to work. Chorus kids will get to shop Friday morning. Melinda's mother is donating crocheted items again this year.

Treasurer's Report – Tressy McNamara: Bank balance as of 10/31/2011 is \$77,129.15. School Beautification did not spend all \$2,500 allocated. Pancake Breakfast profit: \$985.77. City Books profit: \$13,654.58. Red Ribbon Week Hair Streaks profit: \$1,113.85 and Bracelet profit \$227.36. Line 53 of the Financial Report reflects an income of \$1,021.01 for selling merchandise at PTO meetings. Overall, expenses currently are higher than income but that will balance out as the next few events occur. Sharon Dillon moved to accept the Financial Report and Terri Neal seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Principal's Report – John Clendaniel: About 30 Citadel Cadets were on campus 2 weeks ago working on buses and campus cleanup inside and outside. Mary Ann Taylor resigned from CCSD Board – unfortunate as she was a supporter of charters. The SC-CAN legislative meeting is next month. Big news is OGECS School Report Card: Excellent/Excellent in absolute rating and growth rating. Can't get any better. Regarding closing the achievement gap: 1% difference is the lowest in school history. Regarding AYP we increased from 17 last year to 19 this year. We did not meet AYP in special education students. Phenomenal job teachers, students, administration and parents!

Open Forum:

Sharon Dillon and Grade Level Academic Assistants recently reviewed the proposed text books for next year at the College of Charleston Library. It appears that SRA will be used statewide.

Terri Neal reports that Basketball Teams have started playing and the game schedule is on the website. She has "Proud Business Partner of OGECS" stickers to distribute for display in front windows of our business partners.

Jane Fralix reports that Raffle Tickets in support of Silent Auction 2012 are ready for sale and asked that anyone interested in selling see her. On behalf of 2nd Grade, Jane asked for a Line Item to be created in the amount of \$100.00 in the PTO budget in support of the 2nd Grade End-of-Year-Farewell Party. This is an established tradition that the 2nd Grade teachers previously funded out of their own pockets. Sharon Dillon so moved; Cynthia Wescott seconded and the Motion passed unanimously.

We welcome visitor Mandy Ronchetto.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.