

**February Meeting Minutes**  
**OPR PAC Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, February 3, 2022**  
**Via Zoom**

Meeting Minutes:

Affirmative vote to accept the meeting minutes from November of 2021 and January of 2022.

Treasurer's Report - Gen Jolley:

Not too much has occurred since the last report. Donation drive was based off of last years budget. Events are not too far off. Budgeted \$22K and we are almost at \$12K.

We have some events that look like they will be a go - Parent's Night Out, Fun Run, Woo Sox, etc.

We have not received a check from the apparel sales, but it looks to have been pretty successful. Not much else coming up for the sales.

Expenses are on track for half way through the year. It would be great if the spring events panned out.

Chandler asked how she should be covering expenses (e.g, decorations) for Parents Night Out? Should she just ask for it from the Treasurer? Yes, the expenses will offset the profits for the event.

Principal's Report - Mr. Barner:

We are planning on transitioning more students from the classroom to the cafeteria for lunch. We will take it slowly, still maintaining three feet of distance between students.

This will be a big step toward getting things back to the way they used to be. School-wide assemblies and group meetings will be next on the list to look at.

Does anyone have any questions on the new Covid restrictions or about how things may look different?

There were none.

Winter Rock and Roll to School that was scheduled for tomorrow has been postponed to Monday due to the weather. We hope everyone will be able to participate.

Standards-based report cards will be viewable in Aspen on February 11, 2022. Families will receive an email with more info soon. Generally speaking, the report card will communicate a student's progress toward meeting end of year standards. It is a snapshot in time which is based on the Massachusetts Frameworks. There are two sections: student expectations, which is based on behavior. Designations for this section are not yet meeting, partially meeting or not yet meeting; and an academic section. Designations for this section are E for Exceeds end of year grade-level expectations, M for Meets end of year grade-level expectations, P for Partially meets end of year grade-level expectations and N for not yet meeting end of year grade-level expectations.

This time of year it is typical to receive an N or P in the academic section and achieve an M by the end of the school year. Assessments are made based on the work they have done throughout the year. My favorite part of the report card is the comments section as it is here where a teacher can express what they see for the standards and maybe identify goals for the rest of the year.

If anyone has any questions regarding the report card or their child's performance, please reach out as we would like to work as partners in this regard.

Any questions?

There were none.

Lastly, I have some exciting news! Mr. Stefanowicz, the OPR Digital Learning Coach, piloted Ockers TouchView Interactive at OPR recently. This technology provides a giant television touchscreen device which allows access to everything on your computer. A cart was set up with the device on it has been set up with a schedule allowing it to be used in each of the classrooms. This is the direction we will be heading instead of projectors in the classroom.

OPR is leading the way as a model of innovation for the district and not just by using new technology with old practices. We are demonstrating the unit in-building to prove the concept and try different practices in order to get the most flexibility. The Ockers TouchView is leaps and bounds ahead of other projectors and price out between \$1500-\$2K. We hope to demo it in person during our next PAC meeting.

#### PAC Business - Meredith McCabe:

We plan on doing a Valentine Teacher Appreciation in February.

WooSox - Jamie Hauge is running. The flier was in the last weekly update. Game is May 1, 2022 at 1PM. Tickets are \$20 each and on the third base line. Hard copy fliers are going home as well. Preference is for people to sign up via the Sign up Genius or through the QAR code on the flier.

Parents Night Out - is a GO. Please save the date: Saturday May 14, 2022.

Chandler would love help from people to share information about the date through their networks. Capacity at the German Club is 514 people we are reaching out to other schools and across the town in order to make it a community-wide event. It is 80s attire. Band is Fast Times, which is an 80s cover band.

We have started to compile and solicit donations. Any connections for silent auction items are appreciated. Hoping for teachers and staff to donate their time for raffle items e.g. Principal for a Day, etc. Advanced purchase of tickets is preferred, cash bar.

We are also thinking of doing a lottery board - looking for volunteer. Will possibly solicit raffle baskets from the classrooms.

Mr. Stefanowicz suggested raffle items might encourage more participation than silent auction would. Everyone gets a shot at a raffle and a fair chance - something to consider.

The Fun Run, run by Carolyn Henjes, will be rolling into the Spring Festival, run by Jamie and Colleen Gray. First step will be a smaller meeting to identify activities and then figure out where to go from there.

Sweet Heart Dance: working out contact tracing issues and whether it should be open to all students at OPR, not just girls or boys. Bumping up against capacity issues. Looking to schedule April 8<sup>th</sup> or late March.

5<sup>th</sup> grade yearbook is under way - thank you Kathy Anderson.

Plug for teacher cart donations!

Next meeting Thursday, March 3, 2022 in the Media Center.