

Orem Elementary PTA Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, May 9, 2017  
Orem Elementary  
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**Attendance:**

Deanne Moses  
Kim Strong  
Delaina Whimpey  
Angie Reynolds  
Maria Wood

Karen Wynn  
Tamara Bahr  
Andrea Park  
Jeany Vitters  
Mimi Petty

Christy Luque  
Adria Howse  
Julie Taggart  
Bunney Schmidt  
Katie Anderson

Deanne Moses conducting.

**Reverence/Pledge:** Deanne Moses

“Do your little bit of good where you are. It’s those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.” This was most apparent right after the elections when the world was in array and we were in the middle of the Jared Baker yard sale. If people would just look for a need and fill it, then a lot of the things we worry about wouldn’t be a worry. Everyone can just do their little part and it has a ripple effect. It has been so beautiful to watch this year and to rub shoulders with all of you who have this take and are so willing to give of your time and your heart- for the good of something greater. Thank you. It has been an amazing year!

**Approval of Feb. Minutes:** Angie Reynolds

Christy Luque motioned to approve them. Adria Howse seconded the motion.

**Treasurer Report:** Kim Strong

Need to look at taking off-after school programs budget. Flower sales covered themselves-we brought in a little more than we spent. We had \$200 for assemblies that we didn’t spend. Photocopies and paper didn’t get paid last year to the school so we need to check on that and get that taken care of. It’s thought it was paid and suggested to go through the books to double check it. The school gift is helping pay for the wall outside the office--\$1500. Yearbook sales look to be on budget. The same amount was ordered this year. We have \$500 budgeted for FLEX that needs to be amended. Mrs. Jensen made a request for \$500 to help put an awning in the cafeteria and to build two 9 Squares–in-the Air for the playground, on condition she receives the grant she is writing for. Bunny Schmidt motioned to amend the budget to take \$500 out of carnival upgrades and putting it into a category for the cafeteria and 9 Squares in the Air project. Tamara Bahr seconded the motion. Christy Luque suggested we increase the flower budget to \$500 from \$450. Tamara Bahr requested an increase in the Home Reading budget for prizes. Right now it is allotted for \$.10/prize and it’s hard to find any prizes for that amount and would like to have it increased to \$.20/prize. Deanne Moses motioned to move the \$500 from the Flex budget to the Home Reading Budget. Delaina Whimpey seconded the motion.

**Teacher's Report:** Jeany Vitters

A hundred million thank yous!! We had several thank you notes that we will pass around. It was absolutely fantastic-again! It was so fun to tell the new teachers "oh you won't believe how much they do and what they do!" Thank you for sacrificing all your family time and personal time. We love you and you certainly bless our lives!

**Principal's Report:** Andrea Park

This summer we are hoping to get our science lab in the basement furnished and put together. Linda Hansen who does the special ed preschool is retiring. We were trying to do an inclusion preschool, but they didn't get enough enrollment, so what we are getting now is an autistic preschool. It will be held in Linda's classroom but along with that they need to do a playground, which will help our Kindergarten as well since we don't really have a Kindergarten playground. Tentatively they are going to take out the swingset most to the south and salvage it and move it up, and also take out the small dome, and then put a fence around the area with a little gate so we will have a playground for them. That will happen this summer. This summer we will also be having a summer school for kids K-3. Teachers are using the Dibels score and identifying up to 15 children who will be given the opportunity. They will come twice a week for two hours each day for the month of June, and Laura Giles will be teaching that. Letters will be going out to the families this week. We received just over \$9000 from the fundraiser, so all the classrooms will have projectors now.

**Review of April activities:**

Teacher Appreciation Week: Adria Howse

It was suggested that the assembly be different. The older kids didn't engage as much. It was free though, and it accomplished our goal of getting the teachers out together. Mimi did a great job communicating with the room mothers what was needed and it all came together well. She had plenty of help. The week went really well.

**Upcoming Activities:**

Yearbooks: Maria Wood

Pages of "flashbacks" were forgotten by the company, but they sent them and now they just have to be inserted into the books manually. She has some neighbors who can help get it done. She also just received an email saying they will be the same price next year—so budget can stay the same. The last week of school we will sell them out front—Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Kim Strong and Deanne will help with that a half hour before each start time. Adria Howse offered to cover the PM Kindergarten time. They will be passed out to those who preordered them on Friday. Also suggested to give a card or ticket saying they bought their yearbook this next year for them to give showing they purchased their yearbook.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation: Delaina Whimpey

Met last week with committee. Most things are covered. They are working on a guest speaker. Mrs. Park was asked to do a welcome and conclusion. To include everyone this year in the slideshow Delaina has taken all of their graduation pictures and wrote what they want to be when they grow up. Needs a list to check who wasn't there to get their picture taken. Maria is willing to take those. Deanne will read the names of the students. A volunteer

will give the packets and then the teachers will shake their hands. It will be a pineapple-tropical theme. Paige Holland has been asked to speak and we are waiting to hear back from her. A google sheet has been made and will be sent out to those who signed up to volunteer to cover what's left.

Field Day: Deanne will talk with Mrs. McCorquindale to see what help she needs and then we can send out an email to those who have volunteered to help with Field Day.

**Misc. items:**

Procedure Book: Please write down helpful things to keep in there, and get them to Deanne.

Volunteer Sign-in options: Angie Reynolds

I've been looking at getting a digital sign-in option that will calculate hours as people sign in. I spoke with our tech guy and he said we need to use a Chromebook and work with google sheets. It will cost around \$245. Adelia Esseltine is willing to help get the program set up. Tamara Bahr motioned to approve budget to purchase a Chromebook for volunteer sign-in. Karen Wynn seconded the motion. The money can come from "Administrative-other".

We are still in need of a President-elect next year. We will have Mrs. Park send out an email to everyone. We need a nomination committee to contact people to find willing people and then put together a list of names and then vote on them. It needs to be an odd number- generally 3 or 5. Adria Howse offered to head up the nominating committee.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am.