

OQS PTO Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 12, 2013

Attendees: Attendance not taken

Principals Report

- OQS school pictures posted on Facebook
- OQS now has wireless internet access (OQS staff only)
- PTO Funds are being well spent -- going toward educational/enrichment activities
 - Dog sled visitor
 - Montpelier trip
 - Montshire
- Student Council is thinking about planning a Fun Run in the Spring and wanted feedback and support from the PTO
 - Student Council representative presented the idea to the PTO
 - Plan is to raise money for the general fund
 - Run laps around the green
 - Include children and families
 - More follow up on this at the next meeting
- 2013-2014 School Calendar will be out soon
- Concerts will remain the same as always.
- Safe Routes to School – Presentation
 - Federally funded program that works with schools so children can safely walk or bike to school
 - Can help facilitate safe walking/crossing zones and safe routes to bus stops
 - PTO expressed interest but many were somewhat reluctant due to:
 - Very few sidewalks/safe walking areas in Quechee
 - Tourist increase traffic
 - Route 4 crossing
 - Distance to school
 - Alternative to walking to school every day was to increase education and offer 1 or 2 Walk or Bike to School Days.
 - May 1 suggested as 1st date.
 - OQS considering participating in spring of 2013 and fall of 2013
 - This will be added to the newsletter – need to solicit parent/teacher participation

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance is \$12,178
 - Ski program ended up in the positive (and even though we asked for more money up front, participation remained high)

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Miscellaneous Business

- Marsha Peterson requested \$75 to purchase books – Approved
- Original Works – Children’s artwork fundraiser – possibly this spring (Theresa Richardson)
- Teacher In-service potluck – Big thank you from the teachers
- 3/2 Town Meeting – PTO fundraiser
 - Will supply lunch for approximately 50 people
 - 9:30 food donations drop off and lunch at 12:00
 - Need volunteers to serve food
- Spring Sport Swap
 - 3/23, 9-11AM
 - Looking for donations of anything to do with spring sports
- Innisbrook
 - Some debate over whether to keep Innisbrook as a fundraiser
 - The timing is tricky (happens 1st thing in the fall/back to school)
 - No one really wants to be in charge
 - Profitable fundraiser
 - We will continue with the Innisbrook fundraiser
 - Sarah Kniffin agreed to do it for Fall 2013 – Thank you Sarah!

Next PTO Meeting

Tuesday, March 12, **6:30PM**. OQS School Library