**OPM Central PTO Minutes**

**January 11, 2016**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

**Attendees:** Jennifer Berman, Laurie Brinker, Meghaen Zuzula, Mahesha Shivalingaiah, Jill Mazzola, Sue Hallman, Ryan Volz, Kyle Volz, Paul Doher, Janet Elliott, Shane Cavanaugh

**Meeting Dates (6:30 at OPM library):**

Feb. 8;Mar. 21; Apr. 18;May 16;June 6

**Upcoming Events:**

Jan 13 - ERD and BHL Docent Day

Jan 18 – No School

Jan 29 – No School PM

Feb 11 - Grandparents Tea

Feb 24 - ERD

Feb 27 – Carnival

March 8 – No School/Conferences

March 9, 14 – Conferences

March 23 - ERD

May 13 - Fun Run

May 19 – Spring Concert at Chippewa

June 7 - Field Day

**Principal’s Report**

OPM re-enrollment time. Tours start next week. MSTEP (replaces MEAP) first year results are now available for current 4th and 5th graders (3rd and 4th grade when assessments taken last year). OPM did very well – need for continuing improvement in science (OPM’s lowest scores, though still higher than county areas and state average).

**Parent Council’s Report**

Kinawa/Chippewa crosswalk near completion. World Language survey in process. Cornell Elementary School looking into reducing speed limit (school zone). Superintendent to request zoning change. Community conversation 1/13. Anti-racism awareness at Lutheran Church 1/30. Two new board members. Legislative report – bill signed by Governor Snyder overhauling election rules. OEF Report – 43 Apple Awards given over winter break. Charity basketball game raised $791. Elementary author visits to elementary schools coming in March. Living history event taking place at OHS 4/19. Report offered by Parent Council Liaison, Janet Elliott.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Fall Direct Fundraiser raised $4,350.61. Box Tops, $407.70. Yearbooks, $315.00. Total available PTO monies: $2,856.57 (before motion passed for Teacher request – see below).

**Teacher Request**

Chicago Montessori Conference Assistance from Mrs. Susie, Mrs. Christine and some other teachers. $200 per teacher, max $1,000 - (motion passed).

**Fun Run Update**

Goal is to get $5,000 from corporate sponsors and $50 per OPM student. Chair – Jill Mazzola.

**Carnival Update**

Feb 27th, 2-4pm OPM school. Volunteer sign up going out soon. No food choices (except for cake walk). New/updated stations discussed. Carnival Co-Chairs – Ryan & Kyle Voltz.

**Water Drive**

Initiative discussed to collect bottled water to assist Flint’s water contamination.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.