



Ottawa Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes May 7th, 2025

Attendance: Mr. Johnson, Erica P, Tina J, Elvira T, Samantha H, Nicole D, Julie J; new board member Stacey C

I. Principal Report

1. Mr. Johnson – Welcome

- Thank you to PTO for Staff Appreciation Week; staff loved the goodies and is excited for the luncheon on Friday May 9th.
- Smart Moves (similar to D.A.R.E) was at Ottawa
- MSTEP testing goes through the 16th of May
- Wednesday May 14th is 2nd & 3rd grade concert
 - 2nd Grade at 6PM
 - 3rd grade at 7PM
- Art Show is May 22nd @6PM
- Science Olympiad comp was Saturday May 10th
- FUN Day is June 6th
- 5th Grade promotion is June 10th
- Sneak Peak & Curriculum night will be combined on August 26th
- BMX assembly is June 2nd
- Thank you to Tina and Elvira for their many years of volunteering on the PTO! They will be dearly missed.

II. Presidents Report

1. Old Business:

- a. gaga ball turf installed
 - Installed by Mr. Markov & Mr. Johnson- Big thank you to them!
- b. 5th Grade Handprints completed
- c. Family Night of Kindness 3/14
 - fun night of crafting for the community!
- d. Kindness Project results
 - roughly 10% participation from students
- e. Spring Fling 4/11
 - great turn out, had 360 photo booth, games, and dancing!
- f. Ottawa Tie Dye Shirt Sale
 - Shirts should be delivered by end of week

2. New Business:

- a. Proposal for teacher reimbursements for 25/26 school year
 - Discussed a few different options
 - Keep as is: \$300 new teacher, \$200 current teacher

- \$200 new teacher, \$100 current teacher; must attend PTO meeting or event to “unlock” funds
- \$200 current teacher and specials teachers. \$100 current teachers, must attend meeting or PTO to unlock funds
- Must come to meeting to request grant for reimbursement

b. 25/26 board vote

- Read through applications
- Erica Piotrowski for President
- Samantha Hilliard for Co Vice President
- Stacey Ceballos for Co Vice President
- Nicole Deneweth for Treasurer
- Julie Johnson for Secretary
- Samantha Hilliard motion to pass new Board; Erica 2nd motion. All agreed, motion passed.

c. Staff appreciation week 5/5-5/9

- decorated the staff lounge; helped students fill out papers for teachers during lunches

d. basket raffle/art show 5/22

- looking for volunteers for basket raffle and hanging art

e. kindergarten kick off 5/27

- can't wait to welcome the new Otters!

f. fun day 6/6

g. last day 6/11

- HALF DAY!

3. On Going Business:

- A. PTO WEBSITE
- B. BOX TOPS APP-REFERRAL CODE: BEOD34P8
- C. KROGER REWARDS – WQ065
- D. Otter Cart
- E. Otter Towel \$15 and Blanket Sale \$25

III. Treasurer Report

1. Budget for Review

- Samantha motioned to pass the budget; Erica 2nd motion; all vote yes. Budget passes

IV. Teachers Report

V. Q&A for Parents

VI. PTO Board comments

Tina motioned to close the meeting; Samantha 2nd; Meeting closes.