



## Orchard Elementary General Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 24th, 2025

1:00 pm Orchard Elementary School

**Attendees:** Marie McBride, Cassandra Miller, Ali Gowdy, Stephanie Savage, Gentry Walton, Amanda Boren, Rebecca Guilman, Naomi

Wagstaff, Becky Dorton, Debbie Winward, Amanda Keller, Katherine Knecht.

**Quorum Present:** Yes

### Opening

- Welcome & Call to Order - Debbie Winward , President at 1:00pm
- Pledge
- Agenda adopted
- No changes to the January minutes. minutes approved as written.

### Reports

- Fiesta night will be March 27th 5:30-7pm. Folklorico will be performing as well as other talent from our school.
- For those interested the legislature has been passing bills that affect our school funding and our teachers. We encourage you to reach out to our legislators with concerns you may have. To make your voice heard.
- Marie- Battle of the books -March 4th. We have 50-60 students signed up.
- Fundraiser will be Monday May 12th and will possibly have: Foam, animals, scales and tails, silent auction and food for purchase.
- Ideas or donations for silent auction items are needed. Reach out to Marie.
- Possible PTA board members for next year were discussed. We need someone over Spirit nights. Becca taking over for Marie with reflections. And Cassandra being treasurer.
- Stephanie Savage presented the idea of a school wide or each grade, parent directory to help with our sense of community as well as be able to contact other kids' parents in your class easier. There could be an opt in or opt out option if parents don't want to participate.  
It could be an app or just a spreadsheet. Gentry Walton advised that if it is a school "sponsored" thing then the app needs to meet and adhere to district rules that protect kids information and overall safety. Daren in draper over sees things like that.  
It will be something to look into. Possibly get input for or against from our PTA survey going out at the end of the year.
- Becky Dorton Treasurer expressed that there is still teacher grant money available for our teachers to use. Presented the February 2025 treasurer's report.
  - **Balance on hand as of 2/24/2025 : \$14,319.43**
  - **Income : \$25.64**
    - \$25.64 Fundraiser-Menchies
  - **Expenses : \$90.95**
    - \$44.72 Education-Teacher grant
    - \$46.23 Fundraiser-MCT concessions

Monthly Treasurer's Report	Amount	Purpose
<b>February 2025</b>		
Month Initial Balance	14,384.74	
Total Income	25.64	Fundraiser
Total Expenditures	90.95	Teacher outreach, MCT,
Month End Balance	14,319.43	

**Calendar**

**March**

- 17th-21st (Mon-Fri) Hope/ Spirit week
- 19th (Wed) Momo's- Spirit night
- 24th (Mon) PTA meeting 1-2pm
- 27th (Thurs) Fiesta night 5;30-7pm

**April**

- 9th (Wed)Kneaders- Spirit night 5-8pm
- 23rd (Wed) Texas Roadhouse- Spirit night
- 28th (Mon) PTA meeting 1-2pm

**May**

- 12th (Mon) Spring Fling
- 13th (Tue) Little caesars- Spirit night 4-8pm
- 20th (Tue) Field day
- 22nd (Thur) Dance Festival

**Closing**

- Debbie Winward moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:01pm Becky Dorton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

**Minutes Approval Date:**

Debbie Winward - President \_\_\_\_\_

Katherine Knecht- Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Becky Dorton - Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_