

VANDALIA-BUTLER OPTIMIST CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 11, 2017

President Matt Neely called the monthly board meeting of the Vandalia-Butler Optimist Club to order at 7:53 A.M. at 333 James Bohanan Drive, Vandalia, Ohio, 45377. Board members present were Kurt Althouse, Jeff Bardonaro, Eric Beavers, Scott Fullam, Mary Kilsheimer, Julie Trick, Jack Woods, and Erika Vogel.

SECRETARY'S REPORT/MEETING MINUTES:

Secretary Althouse distributed the September meeting minutes to board members electronically prior to the meeting. Eric Beavers made a motion to accept the meeting minutes. Jeff Bardonaro seconded. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Jack Woods distributed the financial report to board members. Year-to-date (YTD Oct.'16-September'17) total income is \$51,036.03, and Costs of Goods Sold is \$19,657.73 for a gross profit of \$31,378.30. YTD operating expenses is \$19,562.40 for a net ordinary income of \$11,815.90. Other expense, including various grants, is \$15,325.00 for a net income of - \$3,509.10. The total account assets as of September 30th were \$20,323.00. Treasurer Woods provided the board members with a summary of various paid expenses and copies of the most recent bank statements. Scott Fullam made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Eric Beavers seconded. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

OCTAGON CLUB

Octagon Club members planned a dine-out fundraiser at Chipotle in Butler Township on October 10th to raise funds for their group. They also participated in the Butler Township Bicentennial event at Aullwood Farm on October 8th by doing face painting. Octagon Club may consider doing the sub sandwich fundraiser again at the beginning of 2018.

SPEAKER COMMITTEE

Jeff Bardonaro distributed a list of upcoming speakers for the membership meetings. Speakers are scheduled through December, and the committee is currently working to schedule speakers for January and February.

OLD BUSINESS:

- No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- Morton Middle School submitted a request for a financial donation to sponsor "Rachel's Challenge," a program that promotes a proactive approach to prevent bullying and cyberbullying and teaching the importance of respect for others. After discussion, this request was tabled until President Neely can get additional details from Principal Shannon White.

- Treasurer Woods presented the board with a draft copy of the 2017-2018 budget. Board members discussed various options to balance the budget and raise additional funds for donation requests. After discussion, the board decided to revise the budget to include finding meal sponsors for \$1,000.00 to help off-set students' meals when they perform for the club membership; raising \$1,500.00 from club members' donations to cover scholarships from the Foundation; requesting the Octagon Club to raise at least \$1,000.00 to cover a portion of their expenses; and budget a donation of \$1,000.00 to the new Vandalia-Butler High School weight room. Mary Kilsheimer made a motion to accept the 2017-2018 budget with the proposed revisions. Erika Vogel seconded. Motion passed. Treasurer Woods will revise the budget worksheet and distribute it to the board at November's meeting.
- The student essay contest will commence at the beginning of 2018. President Neely recommended requesting Darrell Wacker to chair the essay contest committee. President Neely will contact Darrell about the essay contest.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- By-Laws review – Tabled until November's meeting. Kurt Althouse will electronically send the board members a copy of the current by-laws so they can review them individually and discuss any recommended changes at November's meeting.
- A "thank-you" letter was received from student Michael Brandt for sponsoring him for the Ohio Business Week.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 A.M.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at 7:45 A.M. at the Vandalia Municipal Building, 333 James Bohanan Drive, Vandalia, Ohio, 45377

Matthew Neely, President

Kurt Althouse, Secretary