



## PTO Meeting Minutes

09/09/19 at 7:03 | *Meeting called to order by* Leah Kletnieks

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### In Attendance

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Aimee Holloway, Katy McGuire, Anette Maravich, Samantha Linford, Brooke Beyer, Allision Rodacker, Dusty Fox, Mark Whatley, Mark Richardson, Shari Johnston, Julia McGurk, Kelly VanBuskirk, Dawn Wantroba, Kassandra Burnett, Katie Smith, Emily Duenas, Shawna Bouligny, Leah Kletnieks, Holly Hamilton, Teresa Chan, Jessica Martinez, Amanda Williams, Shannon Adkins, Reem Hoff, Alyssa Garshol

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### Approval of Minutes

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Allison Rodacker moved to approve the meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Aimee Holloway. All voted in favor.

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### Agenda

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1. Call to Order
2. Reports
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. Open Discussion
6. Announcements
7. Adjournment

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### Reports

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#### Principal's Report – Shari Johnston

- Thanks for support on arena day and picture day, ice cream social was fabulous - great turn out
- Sharing expectations for the new school year - what it's like to be a stingray star
- Play first, then eat program, improved 3-5th, K-2 needs support, referrals for behavior are down! (15 from last year compared to 4 this year in the first week)
- Wed morning meetings - all are welcome! great time to review and share information about Choose Love
- School site council needs volunteers (beginning, middle and end of year planning - at least 4 meetings)
- October: Oct 1 Kaiser Assembly; "The Best Me" - nutrition and being active, Oct 2nd - Walk and Roll to School

#### Teacher's Report – Holly Hamilton (3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grade)

- Introduced new 4th grade teacher, Samantha, lots of new teachers!
- Everyone loved the ice cream social, surprised about turn out and hopeful it will continue in the year, grateful for all of the work!
- Request: Katie O'Toole (K teacher) funding for "Happy Numbers" online math program (k-2); supplements in-class instruction, Holly used it last year and shared that her students liked/chose it, was previously funded through LCFF (not available this year); Katie got a discount, the cost is \$2400, including two second grade classrooms opting in; Can PTO fund part or all? students can access at home and in-class; tabled to be reviewed during budget

#### Treasurer's Report – Allison Rodacker

- amended Multi-cultural night
- explained special projects line items, including AR, coding, makers space, etc.
- Great job fund raising last year!
- Asked to elaborate about PE Tech: it will help teachers planning curriculum roll outs and fulfills desire to supplement instructor time, district hired one person to do PE curriculum for elementary level (working with grade level teams, teachers are required to develop lessons, job of the tech is to implement lessons); PE shows benefits to students in and out of the classroom and at home, supports the Choose Love Program, etc. (One example of benefits of PE Tech, Sunset has higher scores on 5th grade fitness assessment, Jackson has lower scores in the district)
- Katy McGuire moved to approve the funding for the PE Tech. Emily Duenas seconded. All PTO members approved

#### PCIC report: met today (9/10)

- - rolling out math curriculum - no info published yet, but matches the CA Standard of Math, math plan and how we can boost math scores and create supplemental supports; encourages "number sense", growth mindset in math
- Leah finding out information on Friday at the bingo night informational at Granada High
  - use as fundraising for Science Camp?

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### Old Business

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#### I. Back to School Arena

- Title 1 funding: Fed funding (Whole School = 40% of Ss qualifying in lower socio-economic range) used for reading academy programs; last year at 36%, so funding was cut - "Targeted Title 1 Funding" - funds need to go directly to students who need support; limits how the funds can be spent
  - support was at back to school arena to help folks sign up; trying to educate but efforts are limited legally, considering calling community members; has impacted school money
  - How can we disseminate information legally? Designated Spanish speaker on PTO? What did Joe Michell do?
  - LCFF funding (foster care, ELLs)
- Teacher accounts - district funded \$18/student, but this year it's \$27/student; efforts are being made to figure out how much funding is needed, unsure if funding will cover needs; teachers may need to make requests later in the school year since they ordered supplies at the end of last academic year
- It was noted that Jackson already earns a lot through donors choose, making dollars stretch at Jackson

#### II. Ice Cream Social

- Thank to all of the volunteers and teachers! Leah had to go get more supplies, great turn out, needed extra bowls! "really nice to see all the families there"

#### III. AR Program

- Title I Whole School funding was used to fund AR program in the past; PTO would like to help fund
- Allison Rodacker moved to approve, seconded by Katy McGuire, all approved.

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## New Business.

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### I. Laminator

- old laminator on its way out! PTO wants to buy a new one using some of the \$5000 funds in special projects); cost with tax by 9/27 \$1951.69
- Shawna Bouligny moved to approve, second by Allison Rodacker, all approved.

### II. Happy Numbers

- \$2400 pulled from special projects (requesting communication push for Ss to understand how to use at home, share the resources/tools with parents)
- positive response from PTO parents who used at home with their children,
- needs to be a group purchase, can teachers use their PTO funds?
- Alyssa Garshol moved to approve funding entirely, Dusty Fox second, all approved

### III. Running Club

- 9/27 start only on Fridays,
- Shari will help Julia figuring out track/setting up track/music (blue track is 4 laps for a mile; can we emphasize not sitting the blue track?)
- Mr. Marc can come at 8:00 (How do we monitor entering? Students need a lanyard to come in)
- Release forms to be shared with Leah and then sent out to parents with a flyer
- Julia will purchase app/charms
- Inviting ESS morning students
- Wednesday morning recognitions for top runners

### II. Hoop Swag

- Socks! PTO was supportive, Leah will ask Slick Art (local company)
- starter pack to try it out (50 pairs/ (turn around of 1-2 weeks) ; can submit an order after the starter
- suggested as a prize for running club

### III. Art Program

- built off of "Fame" model, volunteer driven, parent volunteers implement program in the classroom,
- Involved using the Deep Space Sparkle program (There was a limited time to buy, Brooke bought it and Katie O'Toole is implementing in K)
- Effort needs to mobilize volunteers to support teachers who are interested in implementing
- Brooke could use help from volunteers
- suggestion was made to have an art show or showcase during open house, etc. It will take a coordinated effort to do bigger projects and have some sort of display; some of the PTO willing to help

### IV. Green Team

- issue district-wide with garbage and sorting; avoiding contamination
- Green team is students helping sort garbage during lunch/recess (Can we work it into the curriculum somehow?)
- Brooke attending waste management meeting on Friday
- Funding sources are available, so we may not need to use any PTO funds
- Volunteers needed!
- Some ideas include: Litter patrol and bigger bins to help with sorting
- pesticide use on campus - testing alternatives at Jackson this year; Ideas include community help with weeding and teaching
- Brooke needs access to staff for help

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## Open Discussion

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Allison Rodacker: Shade umbrellas are coming soon! Bike rack by the garden! Be sure to lock your bike.

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## Announcements

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### I. Spaghetti Feed

- Flyers are due to go home this week.
- Spaghetti Feed is open to the public! Encourage friends and family to attend.
- When: Friday 9/27 from 5:30-7:30
- Where: Camp Arroyo
- Cost: \$30/Family. \$25 goes to science camp fund.
- What: All you can eat spaghetti, garlic bread and Caesar salad. Cookies and Lemonade or water.

### II. Yearbook Cover Contest

- Lots of submissions, one entire class and others through the office
- PTO voted on the cover; effort will be to showcase other submissions throughout the yearbook

### III. My School Band

- leadership had to cancel this year at Jackson

### IV. Newsletter

- First issue ready!
- Will be coming out monthly

### V. Calendar of Events

- I. 9/11 Ice Cream Sales Begin
- II. 9/18 Spirit Day/Superhero Day
- III. 9/27 Running Club Begins
- IV. 9/27 Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser
- V. 10/4 No School - Professional Development Day
- VI. 10/7-10/18 Teacher Conferences (Early Release)
- VII. 10/8 PTO Meeting

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## Adjournment

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Next Meeting 10/8

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.