# JJP PTA MEETING

Date: Wednesday, January 18th 2023 Time: 9:45am Location: Virtual Presidents: Felissa Allard and Jennifer Saslowsky Secretary: Hollie Mechak

# <u>Agenda</u>

- I. Call to Order and Welcome
- II. Google sign-in
- III. Vote upon November 2022 Minutes
  - November 2022 minutes are approved
- IV. Birthday Box
  - January and February are open for birthday box
  - February closes a little before the break
  - March and April will open a little earlier so we don't miss any birthdays
- V. Founder's Day
  - March 28th: We will be celebrating Jennifer Saslowsky and Mrs. Yarmash
  - The event will take place at the high school
  - More information to follow
- VI. Nominating Committee
  - The committee should look for an email from Felissa and Jen to walk you through process and next step
  - Meet February/Aarch to come up with slate
  - The slate will be voted on during the May meeting
  - This is a good time to think about if you want to be involved and what role you want to play. Please reach out if you want to know how you can help!
- VII. JJP Meeting with the BOE
  - Our executive board meeting with the Board of Education is next week
  - We are asking them for bigger ticket items that they can hopefully help us fund
  - If anyone has any ideas please let us know

## VIII. Reports from Officers

- a. Co Presidents: Felissa Allard and Jennifer Saslowsky
  - We had a meeting with Dr. O'Meara, central and school presidents. A guidance survey will be coming out for all parents and students in grades 7-12. Please look out for the survey and fill it out.
  - 4th grade parents: We are making sure things are unified across the schools for celebrations and graduations
  - The welcoming committee has finished meeting and are making their recommendations to the district and Dr. O'Meara. They are looking for people who speak another language to help out.
  - Friday there is a parent interview workshop; If you want to sit on the hiring committee you need to attend the workshop.
  - Lookout for STEAM night and a multicultural night
  - Looking for ideas to involve more parents whether it's a large or smaller commitment. We want everyone to feel involved.
- b. Treasurer: Jennifer LePiane
  - Checking Account Balance is \$40,497.27
  - Outstanding Checks total to \$333.18 that include birthday box reimbursements and NYS PTA checks for Founders Day
  - -Reviewer of Books and Records: Kara Kaplan
    - Everything looks good
- c. VP of Membership: Morgan Bondroff
  - We have 315 members which is record breaking!
  - Membership Contest winners: Periera, Castle, Novick, Plouffe, Patino
  - Winning classes get a special day where they choose a dress up option, special snack and indoor free time or extra outdoor recess.
- d. VP of Fundraising: Sol Soto
  - New JJP Eats fundraiser is coming soon. It's been successful so far and a great way to give back to our community.
  - A Valentine's Day fundraiser is on its way. Looking at cupcake kids and Valentine grams.
  - The district will be doing the heart pizza fundraiser again.
- e. VP of Arts in Education: Kara Kaplan

- There is a "Dare to Draw" virtual assembly for the entire school on Friday. It is a virtual presentation by Mark Kistler where he will teach the kids step by step drawings.
- Our artist Leslie Sattler will be working with the students in February to create a beautiful topiary for the cafeteria.
- f. VP of Community Service: Nikki Sacks
  - Discussed bringing back in person community service night
  - If you have any charities you would like to support let us know
  - Great way to show the kids community service and giving back

## XIV. Reports from Committees

- a. Curriculum: Cara Prager
  - Science in reading presentation and science progression presentation
  - Erin's Law- same as last year (on website) presentation end of January/beginning of February
  - Science: Age Appropriateness Progression
  - March 30th: STEAM NIGHT; Honor society and PTA working on it
  - 3rd Grade: word study/morphology (science of reading)
- b. Health: Emily Cooper
  - Not on
- c. Nutrition: Abby Israel
  - Nothing that pertained to elementary
  - Ordering lunch ahead has given us back so much instructional time to the teachers
- d. Title IX: Jessica Grant
  - Not on
- e. Student Services: Hollie Mechak reported by Jennifer Saslowsky
  - Nothing new to report, meeting next week
- f. Technology: Ross Gillman
  - No report

- g. MAPOB: Allison Asparro
  - NYSSMA registration has gone out and this year you can pay through My School Bucks
  - A form should have been sent home from the music teacher

XV. Report from Mrs. Clampitt

- Band and Orchestra rehearsals have begun
- The Board Game and Reading clubs are running right now on Friday mornings
- Grades 2-4 NWEA Reading being administered this week
- Grades 2-4 NWEA Math being administered next week
- Kevin, our custodian's last day is January 20th. We will be having an assembly on Friday to congratulate and celebrate.
- Chinese New Year Parade Wednesday, Jan 25 · 2:25
- PS I Love You Day Feb 10 Wear Purple to bring awareness to the importance of mental health and decrease bullying. Ms. Lodato will add a photo sign for the cafeteria and the theme is "love all your chapters" (letter coming home soon from Ms. Lodato)
- Valentine's Day Letters
  - From Your Hearts to Our Seniors" Valentine's Card activity, designed to bring a smile to a senior this Valentine's Day.
- Dental Health Awareness Assembly on Feb 3 for grades K-2.
- Harmony Unit 3 Family Letter/Extensions
- Attendance: Must be called into First Alert <u>434-3375</u> if your child is going to be out
- Pick up patrol : Used for dismissal all changes MUST be entered prior to 1:00 PM; changes can be entered in advance
- Follow us on instagram @jjpelementary
- Erin's Law Presentation
- Spotlight on Curriculum: Go Math
  - Mrs. Yohe went over how to access go math resources online

#### Student Shout Outs

#### Kindergarten

• "My favorite part of the week!" student share out

- Playing centers in the classroom with magna tiles
- $\circ$   $\;$  Writing stories about going ice skating

#### Grade 1

#### • "My favorite part of the week!" student share out

- Playing football at recess
- Penguin writing (nonfiction writing unit)

### Grade 2

## • "My favorite part of the week!" student share out

- Two digit subtraction in math
- Writing about reading and working on writing letters about books were reading

Grade 3

## • "My favorite part of the week!" student share out

- Lunch talking with my friends
- Playing at recess and making new friends

### Grade 4

### • "My favorite part of the week!" student share out

- Getting ready for the Chinese New Year
- Teacher for the Day in Mrs. Reehil's class

## Dinner time chats:

How were you brave today?

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