



Jackson Elementary School PTO Meeting Minutes - October 2023

Date and Location: October 3, 2023, 6:30 p.m. at Jackson Library

Meeting Called to Order By: Jamie Shaieb at 6:34 p.m.

Attendees:

President: Jamie Shaieb

Vice President: Hanna Calleri

Treasurer: Shawna Hook

Financial Secretary: Jamie Williams

Secretary: Christina Simpson

Room Parent Coordinator: Stacie Roberts

Community Team: Adaria Torres

Dining for Dollars: Kelly Brenk

Communications: Maria Lorenzana

Principal: Michele Williamson

Teacher Representative: Beth Weisser

Welcome & President's Report: by Jamie Shaieb

Review of meeting minutes from September 2023.

MOTION: Shawna Hook makes a motion to approve the September 2023 minutes. Stacie Roberts seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Voting on a gala theme took place. Adaria Torres presented three ideas: 1. Dinner en blanc, 2. Boots-n-Bling, and 3. 1970's. A blind vote was taken of all present and the theme that received the most votes was Boots-n-Bling.

The Jackson School and PTO were recognized at the Rescue District school board meeting for completion of the All Abilities Playground. We received a certificate from the State of California for celebrating the positive impact of community service and partnership in the community.

Financial Report: by Shawna Hook

Copy of financial report provided to all attendees. Total spend to date is \$45,977 with a bank balance of \$96,094.26. September expenditures included the following: \$4,000 for the dance program, \$4,000 for Touch of Understanding, \$1,412 for Fall Festival, and \$4,739 for spiritwear.

September income included \$10,198 from Power the Paw and \$429 Dining for Dollars (Relish Burger Bar and Crumbl Cookies).

Principal's Report: by Michele Williamson

The All Abilities Playground is a huge hit on campus and among members of the community. Math consultant Jenny McGuire came and presented to the teachers. She will be back on three more dates in October, January, and February. Math curriculum is a big focal point this year.

The dance performances will be in mid-October. The classes have been separated into three separate dates with afternoon performances at 2:15 p.m. Art classes by Cheryl Gutierrez are ongoing and provide lots of artistic enrichment for students. Cross-country will be wrapping up with finals in mid-October. Volleyball is starting with co-ed 4th and 5th teams. Basketball coaches have been selected and tryouts will be held shortly. JAG is working on their Christmas holiday play, which will take place in December.

Committee Reports:

Power the Paw/Business Booster Fundraiser: by Hanna Calleri

We raised a total of approximately \$27,000, which exceeds our goal! Overall, we had fewer business donors, but the amount from the businesses that contributed was higher. The platform Give Butter worked well. The only complaint was that Give Butter asks the individual contributor whether they want to leave a "tip" for the company. One nice feature that was utilized frequently was the ability of the donor to cover the transaction fee. The event was a great fundraising success.

Fall Festival: by Hanna Calleri

Jen and Hanna are ready to go for the Fall Festival on Friday. They have a good amount of volunteers and have sufficient donations of baked goods/cupcakes. There will be two lines for food to streamline the process with one for prepaid and one for people paying onsite. Other food options will include a taco truck, Handles ice cream, cotton candy, and popcorn. Popcorn was donated by Vintage Grace Church and will be complimentary for all. Ticket sales will end at 6:45 p.m. Basket raffle will start at 7:15 p.m. Looking forward to a great event.

Room Parent Coordinator: by Stacie Roberts

Room parents completed their classroom baskets. The baskets have been delivered to the library and will be on display all week. They turned out great with many popular themes such as Barbie, Apple, and Nintendo. The next event for room parents will be planning and putting on Halloween parties.

Spiritwear: by Jamie Shaieb for Kristin Mullen/Chelsea Bassett

Two new sweatshirt designs will be available for sale at the Fall Festival. One is a black zip hoodie and the other is a purple crewneck. Hats will also be available,

Dining for Dollars: by Kelly Brenk

We received a check for \$500 from the El Dorado Saloon, which is excellent. Cascada has not sent in their check from the April 2023 event. Kelly is working on coordinating with the business to get the check. The next event will be on Wednesday, October 25 at Chick-fil-A. This event had a good turnout last year. The November event will be at either Chipotle or El Favorito Taqueria. We also discussed the possibility of doing themed events for moms or dads, like the adults-only Cloud Bar event last year. Discussion regarding the pros and cons of adults only v. family friendly events.

Principal's Update New Business: by Jamie Shaieb

The fund-a-need 2024 will be a shade structure for the new playground. One issue is that the project will have to go through state building code. Sensory pathways painting begins this weekend on the blacktop. Jamie is checking with other schools to see if we can borrow stencils for a USA map to be painted on the blacktop. Hills Church barked and painted railings around campus last Friday and it looks amazing.

Donuts with Grownups will be on November 3, 2023. Michelle Abbruzzese is leading the event for the community team.

The Veterans Day assembly planning is underway. Decorated stars are coming in and the 5th graders are getting ready to lead the event.

Next Meeting: November 7, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the library

Meeting Adjourned: by Jamie Shaieb at 7:39 p.m.

Minutes compiled: by Christina Simpson, Secretary