

Jackson Elementary School PTO Meeting Minutes - January 2024

Date and Location: January 9, 2024, 6:30 p.m. at Jackson Library

Meeting Called to Order By: Jamie Shaieb at 6:33 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: Danielle Rios, Becky Hortung

Principal: Michele Williamson

Welcome & President's Report: by Jamie Shaieb Review of the meeting minutes from November 2023.

MOTION: Hanna Calleri makes a motion to approve the November 2023 minutes. Shawna Hook seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

The December meeting was canceled because there was so much going on with the holidays and various events. Adaria, Chelsea, and Becky did an amazing job organizing the Santa Run. We had a very large turn out. The fire department was very grateful for our generous gifts to the toy collection drive.

A number of big events are coming up in the first few months of 2024, including the annual giving gala. We are looking for additional volunteers if anyone has extra free time.

<u>Financial Report:</u> by Shawna Hook

November expenses totaled \$13,178, which included: \$6,000 to Cheryl Gutierrez for art instruction, \$3,500 for painting the sensory pathway, \$1,242 for community (donuts with grownups), and various smaller amounts. November income totaled \$1,555, which included \$660 in spiritwear sales, \$639 from dining for dollars, and various smaller amounts.

December expenses totaled \$938, which consisted of reimbursements for TCS classroom supplies and reimbursements from the room parent class fund. December income totaled \$387, which included \$236 from spiritwear sales and \$150 from dining for dollars.

The current bank balance is \$114,296.

Principal's Report: by Michele Williamson

Students are beginning to prepare for state testing. Spring choir is starting and will practice on Mondays and Wednesdays. JAG for 4th and 5th grades is up and running and will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There are over 70 kids participating in JAG. Nature Bowl has also started. The staff are having monthly safety meetings. A math consultant, Jenny McGuire, will be coming for the next teacher training session this month. Prior math teacher training resulted in an 8% increase in school math state test scores in 2023.

Painting of the sensory pathway has begun with phase one complete. The cost for phase one totaled \$7,000. Discussion regarding phase two and what should be done. Options weighing artistic possibilities and various potential costs. Michelle is going to talk to the teachers about what they want in terms of design, and then meet with the artist, Lana, about the cost to complete the project.

Finally, Jackson has received \$58,000 from the state to pay annually for a music teacher. We are currently looking at potential candidates.

Committee Reports:

Dining for Dollars: by Hanna Calleri for Kelly Brenk

The December event was at El Favorito Taqueria and was a big hit with families. The January event will be at Viscuso's Pizza and will also be the gala kickoff party. Presale and raffle tickets will be available for purchase.

Gala: by Hanna Calleri

Tickets will go on sale at the kickoff night at Viscusos on January 25. Tickets will be 10% off if purchased that day. Regular price is \$75 per person. Teacher tickets will be offered at a discounted price of \$45 per teacher. Tickets will be on sale January 25-February 16.

Gala will be on March 9 at the Folsom Community Center. The theme is Boots and Bling. Hanna is working on collecting live auction items. All vendors are confirmed. Discussion regarding pros and cons of advance online auctions and live auctions.

Jackson PTO is volunteering at the Lake Forest gala on January 27. It has an 80's theme and should be a lot of fun.

Santa Run: by Jamie Shaieb for Adaria Torres

Big thank you to Adaira, Becky, and Chelsea. It was a great event and huge showing for Jackson. The toy haul of donations was amazing!

Room Parent Coordinator: by Stacie Roberts

Friday folders will include new fliers for gala kickoff night and wine grab donations. We are still looking for a lead for teacher appreciation week.

Science Fair: by Danille Rios

Family science night will be on February 1. It will kick off the science fair season, rather than be the cumulation and awards night. Science fair itself is postponed to a further date TBD. Registration will start once a date is finalized, possibly mid-March.

Spiritwear: by Jamie Shaieb for Kristin Mullen and Chelsea Bassett
The last online shop resulted in several sales. They are considering reopening the shop at some point in the near future.

New Business: by Jamie Shaieb

The D5 building is being turned into a counseling center and PTO has been working to remove our items from the building. Over winter break, some cleanout organizing was done, but there is still a lot of work to do. Lots of items could potentially be donated or trashed. Discussion regarding storage solutions. One option is to rent a storage locker. Another option is to buy a storage shed and place it on campus. Goal is to get everything organized and moved out by the end of the month.

Next Meeting: February 6, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the library

Meeting Adjourned: by Jamie Shaieb at 8:10 p.m. Minutes complied: by Christina Simpson, Secretary