

# JRE PTSA Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, Sept 20 — 7PM — JRE Cafeteria or Zoom

## Attendees:

Amanda Casey  
Annalise Johnson Smith  
Carlene Stahlnecker  
Colleen Emmons  
Danielle Shannon  
Erin (Zoom)  
Joanna Pietropaoli  
Kara Cannarozzo  
Kara Ricotta  
Katie Ward  
Kerry George  
Larissa Rosario  
Lindsey Yu  
Madlin Faria  
Megan Williams  
Michelle Kostick  
Michelle White Savage  
Nancy Kahn (Zoom)  
Sara DeLaurentiis  
Sheila Greenhill  
Stephanie Barg  
Vicky Dickerson

## Meeting Minutes:

1. CALL TO ORDER — Co-Chairs
  - Kara called to order at 7:05PM
2. ESTABLISH QUORUM — Co-Chairs
  - Quorum established.
3. INTRODUCTIONS - All
  - All attendees did quick introductions along with a wish for the year.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — Secretary
  - March 29, 2023 minutes approved.
  - Note: Only paid members can vote. Membership is around 57%, spread the word!
5. BUILDING UPDATE — Principal Barg
  - Thrilled to be here and appreciates the support.
  - Smooth start to the year. Open door for feedback and to partner.
  - Not sure of a school theme, but all had a wish for joy.
  - Thank you for the staff luncheon and all that PTSA is doing.

- Capital project, school safety and security if high priority. Phase 1 includes door safety, construction scheduled for Spring. Includes securing areas around assembly, new and improved locks.
  - No cars in the bus loop is appreciated, helps with security and safety as well.
  - See something, say something, whatever it is. Admins can't help what they don't know. There is also the school safe helpline. Depending on what it is, it is directed to Mrs. Barg or district.
  - Dasa training happens annually, can be reported in a variety of ways.
  - Thinking of ways to improve indoor resource, possibly grade level carts.
  - Please reach out for any needs or questions.
  - Can also send questions to Kara and Megan. They all meet regularly so Mrs. Barg can bring what we're looking for to the meetings.
6. CO-CHAIR UPDATE — Megan & Kara
- Student Directory: Looking at options for a printed directory etc.
  - Parking for events: Reminder, no parking on School Ln or Reitz Parkway. Edgewood church can be used if we email them ahead of time.
  - Wegmans Donation: Fill out form online w tax exempt form, can request a donation and they will give a gift card.
  - Reimbursement forms: Tax exempt form (Michelle)
  - New idea for fundraisers: Mathnasium night etc. families come in and play games
  - Excited to offer childcare during PTSA meetings.
  - Try to encourage a Dad's group or equivalent, doesn't have to be just Dads but get a little more diverse involvement.
  - Building Use Form – Fill out every time we are using the building any thing. Email Terri and fill out form (can get form from Liz), specific requests let her know ahead of time.
  - Looking to help with indoor recess.
7. FINANCIAL REPORT — Treasurer
- Michelle reviewed the budget.
  - Book fair is large fundraiser, can take profit different ways if we need it.
    - i. Working on vending machine for books, likely implement next year.
    - ii. Review the budget and if you are a co-chair, make sure the amount looks right and if you need more or less money, let Michelle know.
  - Adding to our budget- Take home folders OR Agendas for 2024/2025 – we could fund one or the other
  - Fundraising idea: sell name stickers, Mabels labels
  - Roller skating party: Fairport uses them Sara will contact them
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS — Committee Chairs
- **Welcome back picnic (Lindsey Yu and Joanna P):** All going well, communications going well. High school students will do carnival games. Reminders to order pizza. Will be notified if extended. NEED VOLUNTEERS, especially clean up crew. Former JRE alumni allowed to volunteer for anything, face painting etc. Volunteers will all be used. Community service office can be reached out to also if we have additional needs.
  - **ASEP (Sheila Greenhill):** Everything is set up for Fall. Registration on 9/27. Looking for a new instructor for LEGO. We appreciate Dr Faria doing it for as long as he did! Michelle will remove the Lego revenue from the budget.

- **Light the Loop (Katie Ward):** This year is just us and Park Rd only. Date is 10/21. Katie *really* wants a 12 ft skeleton. Will put out a sign-up genius for donations and volunteers. \$600 raised last year. Maybe paint pumpkins this year to make more of an event vs just drive through. It's OK to have someone donate pumpkins but they can't carve at school grounds. Talked about compost after vs tossing them. Talk to town to see if we could put them in the bins (Food scraps) Amanda C will talk to them.
- **Supply kit:** Karen did a great job coordinating and the issues were actually minimal. Miscommunication on the bins for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and some missing items.
  - Extra supplies at the end of the year, could we collect and donate as a school (one of the schools might do it, might be Park Rd) All agreed this would make a lot of sense.
- **POP:** Maria, used to be 2 hour commitment, worked on the schedule, sometime in October, 1 hour blocks, connect with school, hoping the break up makes it more realistic.
- **Super sale:** 60th year! NEED VOLUNTEERS! Communicate this out, need people to volunteer, give and shop, provides so much typically 50K, can no longer do it during school hours 60% on entire budget, nothing gets left over, copy info from somewhere else, volunteer, 6.50 for each student comes from super sale, made 51K, next year will be moving, if we don't hit allotment, will have to adjust allotment done, shop donate volunteer

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

10. NEW BUSINESS - None

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- From school board: Any time we're selling something, include statement re financial assistance. Megan will email.
- PTSA Goal: For every one event that is a fund raiser or one in which we are asking for something, there should be 3 giving back.

12. ADJOURNMENT (by general consent or motion)

- Meeting adjourned.