

JRE PTSA Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, Mar 29 — 9AM — JRE Cafeteria

Attendees:

Annalise Johnson-Smith
Carlene Stahlnecker
Christina Ficicchia
Danielle Shannon
Joanna Pietropaoli

Kara Ricotta
Kerry George
Kim Chin
Liz Konar
Lori Leitgeb

Marni Kleper
Megan Williams
Michelle Kostick
Sara DeLaurentiis
Sheila Greenhill

Meeting Minutes:

1. CALL TO ORDER — Co-Chairs
 - Kara Ricotta called to order at 9:06AM
2. ESTABLISH QUORUM — Co-Chairs
 - Quorum established.
3. INTRODUCTIONS
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — Secretary
 - Feb 15, 2023 minutes approved.
5. BUILDING UPDATE — Principal Liz Konar
 - 9 teachers receiving tenure on 5/9. It would be great to send congrats to teachers on the 10th. Mrs. Konar will provide the list to Kara/Danielle to share with everyone.
 - 4/18 is the Board of Education presentation for JRE. The video with music is coming along great. Mrs. Konar will bring it back after and loop on cafeteria screens.
 - Superintendent's conference day – Class communities are being worked on. JRE piloting online questionnaire. It has lots of potential and better fits the way we all communicate now. They took the questionnaires from other schools and created the best composite that they could. Will evaluate how it goes for next year.
6. CO-CHAIR UPDATE — Co-Chairs – Update provided by Kara Ricotta
 - Things going well, lots of fun things coming up.
 - They're planning for transition out. Megan W and Kara C are interested in being co-chairs, we will vote on it next meeting.
 - Let co-chairs know if interested in trying something else or continuing in same positions.
7. FINANCIAL REPORT — Treasurer
 - No update, if anyone has questions, reach out to Michelle
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS — Committee Chairs
 - See chart below
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - Principal search underway, Kara and Danielle helping.
10. NEW BUSINESS
 - Lori provided a District update.
 - i. Event coming up Genesee Valley PTA, April 12, Zoom What If? Conversation around D&I will be in next District Enews.

- ii. District level leadership training 6/11, 2-5 provided by Kim Huels and Lori. Open to all.
- iii. Capital improvement passed 87%
- iv. Document steps that you take, easier for others to take on positions.
- Collecting money for gifts
 - i. Can't ask for more than \$5, can't use Venmo
 - ii. Notes from parents and kids mean a lot
- Been in touch with 1st grade parent re composting, talking about a pilot program
 - i. K does a worm unit

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Have kids check lost and found before Friday
- Red Wings game 4/15 - 4/5th grade chorus singing national anthem at the game

12. ADJOURNMENT (*by general consent or motion*)

- Meeting adjourned at 10:06AM

Committee Reports:

5 th grade transition	Amy Connell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kara provided update from Amy. • Arrowhead all set. • Coordinating a night for parents for questions of other parents. Coordinating with MCE and ACE. Reaching out to parents to be a panel.
Art Ambassador	Hinda Mandell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new update
After School Enrichment Program	Sheila Greenhill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring is underway - Chess, Lego, Yoga and Rainbow • 5/1-6/9 • Will send a note out before break that sign up will be after break
Bike To School Day	Christy Tenhaeff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new updated, scheduled for May 3.
Book Fair	Danielle Shannon Megan Williams Kara Cannarozzo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danielle provided an update. • Raised a lot of money with book fair • 3K in cash, and the rest in scholastic cash, purchase some books for the library and donate some to inner city schools, trying to identify which school might be in most need
Cultural Arts	Christina Ficicchia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with Liz, lots more field trips this year. • Initial budget is 17K, spent down 6K+, spending down BOCES funds as much as possible because they can't carry over • All going well!
Family Fun Night Coordinator	Sara DeLaurentiis Lindsey Yu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sara gave update • Allergy free food truck

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DJ is all set • Have more money in budget, can get trinkets • Will reach out to get kids to face paint, older siblings, Sutherland has club of kids and high schoolers have volunteer hours • Joanna P will help if she can partner with someone
Ice Cream Social / Open House	Kim Taylor Stacie Muldoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kara provided update, scheduled for May 10 • Dairy is confirmed, 3 choices will be offered. • Hopefully can be outside
JRE Courtyard	Kim Cufari Chin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No funds left for this year, but sprinkler and pond both need to be addressed. What could district grounds cover vs PTSA?
Parents on the Playground / Recess donations		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new update
Spirit Wear	Meghan Dean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new update
STEAM Day	Marni Kleper Kara Cannarozzo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marni provided update. Scheduled for 5/19. • Hot air balloon, Code Ninjas coding for grades 2-5, Mathnasium, Sutherland Robotic and a few more things, the day is filling up. • K-1 may do a gardening activity
Teacher/Staff Appreciation	Sara DeLaurentiis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of money raised. • Sign up genius worked great. • TBD if decorating, may have room parents team up and do one board per hallway. • May 8-12, 9th is actual day • Lunch on Tuesday • Teacher books, Sara will send examples • Balloons are OK as long as no latex • If anyone is available for district level help, reach out to Lori
Yearbook	Megan Williams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new updates except, normally teachers get asked about pictures, Kerry will share email address with teachers and Megan will talk to Renee.