

FOJBE PTO Meeting
Thursday, November 21, 2019 – 5:30 PM
Jacksonville Beach Elementary Cafeteria

Call to Order: A FOJBE PTO Meeting was held at the JBE Media Center, in Jacksonville, FL on Friday, December 6, 2019. The President, Jaime Shachter, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Quorum was established.

Roll Call/Quorum: The following people were in attendance: Jaime Shachter (President), Tracy Tousey (VP Year Long Programs), Christelle Rouse (Fundraising), Nicole Schkrutz (Treasurer), Bhavini Kuverji (Membership), Ms. Brothers (Teacher Representative), Theresa Jenkins, Shauna Moore, Gabriela Raymond, James Raymond, Eileen Tyrrell, Srivani Vegesna & husband

Read & Approve Prior Minutes: Approved at the November 1st meeting.

Financial Report: Nicole Schkrutz (Treasurer)

- Beginning Balance: \$59,569.85
- Income: Total income for the month of October was \$14,105.00.
- Expenses: Total expenses for the month of October were \$6,999.41.
- Outstanding Checks: 5 outstanding checks, totaling \$523.32
- Ending Balance: \$66,140.12.
- Budget specifics are posted on JBE website following meetings.

Correspondence: No correspondence was discussed.

Report of the Executive Board:

- A. Presidents' Report: Jaime Shachter gave a brief report.
 - 1. Has been a busy fall. We have had ongoing challenges getting volunteers. Will be offering volunteer incentives for upcoming events/programs.
- B. Principal's Report:
 - 1. LLS fundraiser has been going on for 1.5 weeks and concludes Tuesday. Can donate online or via the boxes students brought home.
- C. Teacher Representative: Ms. Brothers.
 - 1. SAC survey was generally positive. Feedback included that some parents would like a PTO phone-in option (Jaime noted that PTO survey showed the same, which is purpose for new options).

Membership: One recent new membership, but otherwise has stabilized.

Volunteer Coordinator (Amea Bailey): Volunteer Coordinator was not present, but Jaime reports that she is working on getting more youth volunteers, especially JBE alum who are middle/high schoolers

Advocacy (Shannon Beckham): Two key current issues are half-penny sales tax for schools and legislation to allow superintendent to be elected rather than appointed. Lists of all City Council members and Duval Delegation members are available for anyone who would like to call to weigh in on these or other issues.

Wellness: Wellness program received \$500 grant for a healthy schools' initiative; will likely put \$ toward our community garden. Another buddy meet-up is scheduled for December. Candy drive was successful, and candy

was distributed to BEAM, Mission House, and USO. Coca-Cola drive currently underway and donations of eligible items (caps, tabs, etc.) are encouraged because they will result in funds coming directly to our school; please send in Ziploc bags with students' names and teachers written on the bag.

Unfinished Business:

A. Completed Programs

- a. Fall Fundraiser: Met fundraising goal of a little over \$20,000.
- b. Book Fair – Heather Harris: Met normal sales and had enough volunteers
- c. Donuts with Dad – Rachael Calzada: Was overwhelmingly successful on Friday (much higher attendance than Thursday).
- d. Red Ribbon Week – Eleanor Swartz/Ericka Glocker: Successful week.
- e. Monster Mash – Christelle Rouse, Dabni McCrary, Eileen Tyrell: Great job by chairs. Very well attended. Barely covered volunteer-wise.
- f. Community Outreach- Filled several bins with supplies for Mission House.
- g. Veterans Day Breakfast: Well-attended and well-run.
- h. Invention Convention: Great participation and winners will be recognized tonight.

New Business:

A. Upcoming Programs

- a. Science Night (tonight) - Chairs have done wonderful jobs recruiting vendors and classroom activities.
- b. In-School Cultural Assembly (December 11)– Indian dance group, Chinese New Year “lion” dance.
- c. Family Dinner (December 12) – will sell out and is first-come, first-served
- d. Talent Show (January 15-16) – info will come home after break
- e. Literacy Week (January 27-31)

B. Chairperson Vacancies

- a. Magnet Tours (spring): This is an important position; past chair, Kathy Waller, is willing to co-chair
- b. Diversity Liaison (year-round): This is a new position focused on diversity within the PTO and in our offerings at the school.

C. Ms. Hoch Retirement Planning Committee – Ashley Smith (January 12th): Celebration at Maggiano’s the afternoon of January 12

Other Business:

Announcements:

- A. Next Meeting is Friday, December 6, 2019 at 8:45 AM in the Cafeteria.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM.

//signed January 6th, 2020//
Tracy Tousey, acting Recording Secretary