

FOJBE PTO Meeting
Friday, February 7, 2020 – 8:45 AM
Jacksonville Beach Elementary Cafeteria

Call to Order: A FOJBE PTO Meeting was held at the JBE Cafeteria, in Jacksonville, FL on Friday, February 7, 2020. The President, Jaime Shachter, called the meeting to order at 8:49 AM. Quorum was established.

Roll Call/Quorum: The following people were in attendance: Jaime Shachter (President), Tracy Tousey (VP Year Long Programs), Amanda Ferrelle (VP Fall Programs), Jena Pugh (VP Spring Programs), Nicole Schkrutz (Treasurer), Nichole Bigay (Secretary), Ms. Brothers (Teacher Representative), Mary Lauren Eubank, Charlye McGurrin, Kathy Waller, Shannon Beckham, Erika Glocker, Kathy Poe, Katie Hathaway, Aimee Herdt, Katherine Lazurus, Kara Scremin, Linda Torres Reed, David Reed, Carey Johnson, Melinda Oklok

Read & Approve Prior Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from FOJBE PTO meeting held on January 10, 2020 was made by Amanda Ferrelle and the Motion was seconded by Shannon Beckham. The Motion passed without objection.

Financial Report: Nicole Schkrutz (Treasurer)

- Beginning Balance: \$60,283.32
 - Income: Total income for the month of January was \$1703.80
 - Expenses: Total expenses for the month of January were \$7704.44
 - Outstanding Checks: \$2524.34
- Ending Balance: \$56,807.02

Correspondence: No correspondence was discussed.

Report of the Executive Board:

A. Presidents' Report: Jaime Shachter gave a brief report.

1. Tracy Tousey, Ameer Bailey and Jaime Shachter are continuing to work on the executive board slate for the 20/21 SY. They are looking to add a corresponding secretary to the slate, a position that was not filled for the 19/20 SY. Official slate will be announced at the April PTO meeting & voted on at the May meeting.
2. PTO is continuing to work on reigniting a sense of community at the school. At the January PTO meeting, plans were released on starting up a "park and play" on early release Wednesdays. Approval from Ms. Mattingly was not yet given at the start of this meeting, approval was given during the Principal's Report, see B.1. below.
3. Teachers are putting together a list of technology priorities for PTO to purchase. Once the wish list is received, teachers will receive a survey in order to rank their priorities.
4. Volunteer of the Month for January: Ericka Glocker

B. Principal's Report:

1. "Park and Play" on early release Wednesdays have been approved and will start in March. Parents and students will have access to the front playground from 1:45-2:45 PM on early release Wednesdays.

2. The teachers' wish list for technology is available and will be emailed to Jaime Shachter.

C. Teacher Representative: Ms. Brothers.

1. Nothing to report

Membership: Nothing to report.

Volunteer Coordinator (Amee Bailey): The student volunteer registry has received a good response so far. Approximately 20 students have already signed up, the majority being alumni or siblings. Amee is planning to work with Ms. Chin and get JBE National Honor Society students signed up as well.

Advocacy (Shannon Beckham):

- A. School Board Vice Chair, Elizabeth Anderson, has scheduled a Town Hall Meeting on February 11th at 6 PM at the Atlantic Beach City Hall (800 Seminole Road, Atlantic Beach).
- B. SB 62: Requires districts to share surtaxes with charter schools on a per pupil basis. This has been temporarily postponed but is expected to be rescheduled.
 - This provides no mechanism to claw back funds, should charter schools close.
 - The bill will divert funding from deteriorating schools in older neighborhoods, creating further inequity in the educational experience.
 - Charter school boards are not elected officials. There will be no accountability to voters for the expenditure of millions of tax dollars.
- C. HB 1079: Allows for an elected superintendent vs appointed superintendent. Jason Fischer did not show up for the committee meeting voting on HB1079, therefore the vote was postponed.
 - The management of our schools should be a non-partisan issue and our superintendent should focus their time on running the school district and not campaigning.
 - Makes it harder to get rid of a superintendent who isn't doing their job.
 - Local School Board would not have the power to vet and interview the superintendent.

Wellness: Buddy program Valentines fun run is scheduled for Thursday the 13th. Buddies will exchange valentines during this time.

Unfinished Business:

A. Completed Programs

- 1. Magnet Tour Guide Training – Kathy Waller (Jan/Feb): Tours have been successful and well attended. Approximately 120 families attended the first tour, and 70 at the second tour. Roughly 150 were in attendance at the evening tour. Volunteers have been great.
- 2. Ms. Hoch Retirement Planning Committee – Ashley Smith (January 12th): This was a fun evening, a very special night with good attendance.
- 3. Talent Show – Amanda Ferrelle (February 6th): Postponed to Monday Feb 24th @ 6PM. Will advertise on FB & in Ms. Mattingly's newsletter. Please come support. Free Admission.
- 4. Literacy Week – Kate Ansart (January 27th-31st): Teachers felt that book swap was more successful when it was paired with literacy week. This program came in under budget, as Jane Wood does not charge for Duval County Schools. Her presentation was enjoyable for all grades. The Jaguars D-Line hopes to come back in the future. Photo booth had some struggles: the lines were long for students and pictures were only digital. Teachers are sending out the link for parents to download online.

New Business:

A. Upcoming Programs

1. FUNd Run “Starfish Stampede” – Katie Hathaway (February 14th-27th): Kick off begins on Wednesday January 12th, packets will be in teachers’ boxes on Tuesday the 11th. Volunteers are needed throughout several mornings to pass out incentives. A signup genius is out on FB, which also includes volunteers for the actual day of the run. “Stick it to Mr. Van” will take place on Feb 21st, during lunch hours.
2. Spring School Pictures – Karen Bagaria (March 2nd): Pictures are optional.
3. Play Day – Amanda Chapman (March 6th): Coach Paape created a signup genius for volunteers. Suggestion was made that the signup be divided into time blocks. Request has been made for PTO to provide lunch for ~20 volunteers. DJ for play day is still needed.

B. Chairperson Vacancies

1. Back to School Supplies (year-round): Looking to find a chairperson not currently involved in other areas of PTO. Chairperson coordinates supply lists, communicates with the supply contractor, manages the final inventory and organizes the distribution before school starts. The hours are flexible and can be done electronically and remotely. Kara Scremin has volunteered to assist the chairperson.
2. Magnet Tours (spring): Kathy Waller will still be here next year and can assist a chairperson.
3. Diversity Liaison (year-round)
4. Yearbook: Co-chair need for Amanda Chapman.

Other Business:

- A. Business Partners: Committee is looking into revamping how business partners are linked for program events for the 20/21 SY. It will be important to know what programs will be scheduled for next school year and which ones will be cut. Jaime stated that the PTO board will be meeting mid to late spring to make this decision.
- B. Community Outreach: Question was asked as to when to schedule the next community outreach. Member stated that the school is planning a partnership with The American Heart Association in March as the FUNd Run is wrapping up, PTO is not involved. Suggestion was made to plan the next outreach in April.

Announcements:

- A. Next Meeting is Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 8:45 AM in the Cafeteria.
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Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 AM.

Nichole Bigay, Recording Secretary