

FOJBE PTO Meeting
Friday, February 3, 2023 – 8:49 AM
JBE Cafeteria

Call to Order: A FOJBE PTO Meeting was held in person in Jacksonville, FL on Friday, February 3, 2023. The President, Ameer Bailey, called the meeting to order at 8:49 AM. Quorum was established.

Roll Call/Quorum: The following people were in attendance: Ameer Bailey, A. Michelle Alford, Gina Billeter, Amanda Chapman, Stephanie Deverson, Alana Ellis, Chandra Guirgis, Pamela Peters, Lina Houtz, Jena Pugh, Meredith Ring, Carie Skube and Lois Yoon.

Minutes Approval: Motion to vote by Stephanie Deverson and second by Lina Houtz. January 2023 Meeting Minutes were voted on and unanimously approved.

Principal Report – Cameron Mattingly (Absent presented by A. Michelle Alford)

- A huge Thank You for everything in January!!
- New parent survey (160 families) in order to make JBE the best it can be
- Feb 7th mid year SAC meeting 7:50-8:30
- Big thanks to Ms. Peters for the Literacy week author assembly.
- Suggested to have PTO speak during the tours to stress to the incoming parents that we are looking for parent involvement.

Teacher Report – Carie Skube

- They are loving all the new TVs and Smartboards provided by the district. However, requesting batteries for all the new cordless technology equipment. Check into the district providing this.
- Reminder from PTO to teachers that they all have grants to use. Please keep receipts and all forms need to be signed.
- Starfish Sprint teacher breakfast will be in a few weeks.
- Earlier communication requested on testing timing and posters/sidewalk chalk encouragement signs.
- Confirmed teachers received supply list for next year link. Teachers have already begun to have discussions. Parents prefer all supplies listed at beginning of year rather than asking mid year for more supplies.

Report of the Executive Board:

Treasurer – Lina Houtz

January Financial Report

- Beginning Balance: \$66,451.83
- Total Income = \$48.62
- Total Expenses = \$3,825.65

- Outstanding Checks (6) = \$2,436.52
- Reconciled Checks (3) = -\$1,787.05
- Ending Balance = \$63,324.27
- Detailed report on the website

President – Amee Bailey

- Bylaws committee: We need to file business incorporation by May 1st. Draft at next meeting to review before approval.
- Advocacy person: A vacant role that we are currently looking for a parent to fill.
 - HB1 has already passed through committee. Hope to consider amendments!! This is the Florida Voucher Program that currently gives money to students money toward private school. They want to expand it so there are no exceptions; financial, homeschool, tutoring, transportation, AP exams. Approx \$7-8K per student. Funding will come directly from Public School Budget; could amount to upwards of \$4B annually. Need to push for amendments such as income limit.
 - Florida Guardian program: Currently it stands at one guardian per school. Considering increasing to more than one person to monitor school grounds (Mr. John). DCPS does not have the funding to have more than one guardian per school.

Correspondence - Lysia Okada (absent) Amee Bailey

- Volunteers of the Month: Kara Scremin & Jaime Shachter: AV upgrade completed!!
- Meredith Ring: Huge thank you for the amazing Talent Show :)

New Business - President – Amee Bailey

Upcoming Programs Discussion:

1. Starfish Sprint - February 22 - March 3, 2023
 - a. Big spring fundraiser. School incentives and teacher incentives.
 - b. February 22 Pep Rally
 - c. March 3rd: kids in class t-shirts run laps
 - d. Goal is \$60K
 - e. Looking for volunteers for day of the sprint and prize distribution. Sign up genius will be going out
2. Family Field Day February 25 - Christian & Chanterria Scott
 - a. Saturday 12-2 at JBE Playground
 - b. Will be in Ms. Mattingly's newsletter
 - c. Kona Ice participating, paid individually by parents
3. Play Day March 10th - Kara Waite (absent)
 - a. Great opportunity to get parent volunteers involved
4. Help Needed:
 - a. Board Positions: President, Treasurer
 - b. Business Partners: April through June when most of the work will occur.

Unfinished Business: Brief Discussion Please

Completed Programs Report Out:

1. Literacy Week - Pam Peters

- Question to teachers: Since we used the entire budget on the author, what was the feedback on no budget for teachers with literacy activities. No complaints from teachers. The bookmark contest, buddy read, and flashlight reading were all great!
- Ms. Peters delivered Thank You to the Fletcher Band from our 1st graders :)
- Discussing next year ideas: possibly bring back the vocabulary word instead of book character for the parade. An idea that kids get extra credit for participating. Mystery readers in classrooms
- Interested in having a new banner made for the parade that JBE can re-use each year.

2. Talent Show - Meredith Ring

- Wonderful success! \$50 donations; 20 acts!
- Suggestions for next year: Pay for admission tickets, live auditions again
- Needs a parent to shadow/committee Meredith for next year

Year-Round Programs Report Out:

1. Wellness - Jaime Shachter (Absent)

February Buddy meet up

Positive student survey feedback

Family safety

Beaches Resource Therapist creating Friendship Group on Wednesdays

3rd & 4th Grades

2. Parent Champion - new email jbeparentchampion@gmail.com.

Announcements:

Next Meeting is Thursday, March 2, 2023 8:45am in-person only.

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<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofjaxbeachelementarypto/>

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Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 AM.

Gina Billeter 02/03/2023

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Recording Secretary

