



2023-2024 JPLIS PTG General Meeting
January 9, 2024 9:15AM
JPLIS cafeteria

Meeting Called to Order – Jessica Schwartz

Board Attendees: Jessica Schwartz, Angela Perich, Kristin Dudish, Bella Cutitta

General Attendees: Kim Bedrosian, Caitlin Alifirenka, Sandy Chisholm, Steph Gordon and Susan Kolpan

Teacher Liaison Update – Mrs. Schiavone has retired.

- PTG gifted her flowers and a card for her retirement.
- We need to find a new liaison

Principal's Report – Mr. McGinty - not present

Treasurer's Report – Bella Cutitta -

- no updates
- paying out some teacher stipends and reimbursements for staff appreciation and the play.

Important Updates-

6th Grade Musical - Disney's Lion King, Jr!

- Kelly Rocchi and Kelly Staruck co-chairing
- auditions complete and rehearsals have begun!
- Shows are 3/22 and 3/23 at the MS. JPLIS students will be able to watch the day show.
- Red Robin Fundraiser opportunity info coming out soon.
- \$800 out of \$3000 just for the play's rights so we need a fundraiser to raise funds for costumes, props, etc.
- Current Disney play was a more expensive rights than a different play
- More organized than last year, everything seems to be going well.

Assemblies-

Phantoms Bully Busters – 1/22

Wizards Game –

- Currently on hold. Still looking into this but looking for other opportunities as well.
- If you have any ideas please email the board.

Book Vending Machine

Need to raise \$7000 for purchase.

Corporate Sponsors + Color Run proceeds + Wizards game proceeds? – request direct donations?

Winter Family Movie Night – *Mighty Ducks*

1/26/24 – Lidia Araujo and Bella Cutitta

- Lidia has made a flyer and there is a Google form to fill out for expected #'s
- Projector is available and screen -
- Movie night will be free
- Food will be available for purchase in the cafeteria

Ongoing/Committee Updates:

Sparken Reward Programs Update – Jess Schwartz

2nd Quarter prizes are in display case. Will pull winners on 1/29 (last day of MP is 1/26)

Spartan Service Corps - Jess Schwartz

- December - SSC helped pack the toys for Sassy Massey Toy Drive
- January - focused on elderly/assisted living facilities.

- Made sock snowmen to be delivered soon
 - February - talking about Animals - they will be making cat condos
 - Guest Speaker is coming to talk about dogs
- Any ideas or requests can be sent along to Jess Schwartz.

Dec. Hat and Scarf sale – post wrap up - Bella Cutitta

- Went to basketball game to try and sell - and only sold one
- looking for other opportunities to sell
- Still available to purchase if anyone is still interested

Blood Drive – Barbara Lopez – scheduled for 3/8/24 with Red Cross for staff members

Scholastic Book Fair – Angela Perich – post wrap up

- Sold \$13370 (\$2000 more than last year)
- Our profits - \$3240 in cash
- Would have made closer to 50% if we took scholastic dollars but the dollars are so hard to use. Cash is able to be put towards any of our expenses.
- If we are able to get the book vending machine, we should take some cash, some scholastic dollars and use the dollars to fund the book machine.

Color Run – Steph Gordon and Evann Templeton

- Need to begin planning
- Date in April/May
(Consult Bella to make sure we can have the fields vs. flag football)
- Try to sell more headbands,
- District Approval for the race, township approval for run off
- Need EMS present, need firetrucks to hose off the color

Yearbook – Eddee Harrison

- Deadline to submit an idea for the theme is 4PM January 16th. Submissions can be made in students Google Classroom for Art. Cover submissions to follow once theme selected.

Staff Appreciation – Kristin Dudish

- November - we supplied Tony's Pizza, Salad, snack chip bags, and drinks for the nighttime conference day.
- December - everyone got a \$10 gift card to Wawa, along with a few pieces of candy and chocolate and card.
- Upcoming : we are looking at doing a coffee/hot chocolate cart end of the Jan. beginning of February.
 - Sign Up Genius - Donations - of Starbucks coffee drinks, tea,
 - Possibly use Jacquelyn's on Main - we could ask if they are willing to do something.
 - Unless we come up with something else that's better before then.

Field Trips- PTG doesn't organize field trips here. We pay for students in need but the school organizes and pays

6th Grade Social- Chairs Needed

- Provide them with Tshirt
- Tug o'war ropes are at Jess' house
- Water balloon toss
- Kona Ice
- Photo booth
- Prizes
- Snacks, pretzel trays, potato chips

Open Discussion

-Outside Vendor : Insurance - COI needed to submit with school dudes for any outside vendors coming into the school -

-Middle School- Trying to decide whether they start their own PTG and discussed with the JPLIS Board how to make this work or whether a partnership of sorts could be established. MS parents are currently having issue cashing check from Spirit Wear and how to run other fundraisers.

-Steph Gordon requested a binder be put together so that for next year the new board members have the knowledge that the veteran board members have.

-501c3 form - need to find our form and see when renewal is

-Southern Lehigh Education Foundation - SLEF

- outside 501c3 organization that fundraises for the school district.

-A few years ago, the board dissolved and a group of parents recently revamped it. A great organization and help to the school but no one knows about it.

-Non-political organization, not affiliated with school board.

-They help high school students with dual-enrollment.

-\$3000 this month to help out with high school students in need

-Meet and Greet - Feb. 8th at Upper Saucon Social Quarters.

-Trying to get staff involved to see what the needs really are.

Sparken Lounge - Parent brought up that there is only one game in the Switch - Mario Kart

-Would we be able to extra games ?

- Discussion of having one game keeps children from stealing all the small games.

-Need new Spirit Days for 2024

Meeting Adjourned

Upcoming Reminders and Events:

2024 General Meetings – all held at 9:15AM at JPLIS : Feb. 13, March 12, April 9, May 14

1/12 and 1/15 – No School

1/22 - 2nd marking period ends

1/22 – Bully Busters Assembly

1/26 – Family Movie Night – Mighty Ducks

2/16 and 2/19 – No School

3/8 – No School

PSSA's - TBD

3/28-4/1 – No School

4/2 - 3rd marking period ends

4/19 – No School

5/27 – No School

6/5 – Tentative last day of school for students