

Jefferson Parent Council
Oct 13, 2022, | 6:00 pm
Minutes

Attending: Sara Eldridge, Chair | Rachel Carroll Rivas, Vice-Chair | Leann Murphy, Treasurer
Leandra Lipson, Secretary | Kim Patterson

Welcome, announcements Sara

- Cash Drive Update
 - Have raised \$1770 to date exceeding our goal
- Halloween Carnival Update
 - Volunteer sign-ups are increasing
- New Principal Greeting
 - Pick-up time on the playground, tomorrow October 14th
 - Arrange time to meet with him in the next couple of weeks

Principal's Report

- Notes from meeting with Lona Carter on 10/10/22 - Sara
 - Discussed Principal Carter's transition
 - Discussed Gala briefly
 - Leann to share previous year's budget with the Council

Budget Report Leann

- Made a few updates based on previous year's budgets
 - Question – the \$4,000 from the Read-a-Thon is what JPC netted
 - Leann to rename that line-item to be more clear
 - Sara moves to approve budget. Rachel seconds. All in favor. Budget approved.

Treasury Report

- Made approximately \$200, net, on the Carnival.
 - Later in the school year, council to consider purchasing supplies for next year, this year.
 - Research buying wholesale in bulk and/or sales on hairspray – teal, pink, and purple needed in greater amounts.
 - Rachel motions to approve treasury report. Sara seconds. All in favor. Budget approved.

Status Updates

- SECGC
 - Next year, send a note home with parents.
- Halloween Carnival
 - 20 volunteer sign-ups since Principal Carter's last email

- 11 trunk or treat remaining, 12 are candy donations, 2 are cafeteria spots
 - Sara to monitor sign-ups and let the Council know if we need more volunteers as we get closer
 - Will be an indoor and outdoor event – cafeteria and bathrooms, playground and field
 - Games will be covered by tents
 - May need to buy additional candy if we do not get sufficient donations
 - Do some set-up the night before after 6 p.m.
- Original Works
 - Brenda to bring Katja the artwork tomorrow and then Katja to send to OW
- Fall Cash Drive
 - \$1770
- Teacher stipends
 - Budget was \$1800 and 17 checks went out to teachers on 9/14. Extra \$100 is for Mr. Mozer.
- 4th Grade Field Trip
 - Teacher will put in a request to help fund this
 - Add a discussion with the Principal for next – why is it that JPC funds the 4th grade field trip and should this be done differently given that other grades have field trips as well.
- Read-A-Thon
 - Council needs to vote on Reward option or not
 - Rewards option:
 - Prize store with over 200 prizes
 - Each reader earns 15% of their own donations to buy prizes
 - JPC keeps 75% of all donations
 - Non-Rewards Option
 - We could opt to create our own rewards:
 - Choose or create custom rewards you provide
 - ReadATHon reports who has earned each reward for you
 - Reward participation, fundraising and reading
 - JPC keeps 80% of all donations
 - Leann moves to do the Rewards Option. Sara seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.
 - Sara will communicate with Meghan our decision and also ask about the end date.
- Snacks for Kids
 - Principal Carter reported that the supply was still stocked. Sara reiterated that the JPC is ready to fund more snack purchases.
- Custodial Workers Day

- Gave gift cards to Big Dipper

Upcoming Events/Activities

- School Psychologist Day, Nov 7
 - Leann will ask Brenda what our school psychologist might like.
- Parent Teacher Conferences Meals
 - 2 dinners bought in Fall and 2 dinners donated in Spring
 - Leann will order Jimmy John's on the 25th & Rachel will provide Cookies & Chips on 25th
 - Leann will order Pizza on the 27th & Sara will provide Salad & Dessert on the 27th
 - Ask Katja to do a sign-up genius for donated/homemade dinners for the February Conferences
- Library
 - 5th Grade Book Club has started and we should be receiving a request for funds soon
 - JPC needs to chat with Librarian in April to plan for next year.

Fundraising

- Identify needs, goals
 - Martinson's Chocolates Fundraiser
 - Will decline participation
- Restaurants, Windbag and MacKenzie options
 - Meghan will report back on this
- Playground funds
 - Will reconvene with the Fundraising Committee in the coming weeks

New business Group

- Parting gift for Principal Lona
 - Leann will pick up a plant
 - Rachel will do a card
- Welcome card for Principal Brice
 - Rachel will do a card
- 3rd Grade Recycling Club looking for a Sponsor - \$500
 - Leann will reach out to find out if they still need a sponsor
- Jefferson Gear
 - Consider doing another round of gear options/sales in March
 - Rachel will inquire about the process and how many times we could do this a school year
- Council Members need to turn in their paperwork to be approved to spend JPC funds
- Need to transition from current Zoom account. Leandra will research options.

- Gala donations
 - Consider accepting donations from parents for auction items

Review Action Items/Wrap Up Leandra

Adjournment

Next meeting: November 10, 6:00 pm