

November Jamestown ("JES") PTA Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

November 12, 2019 7:02pm - 28 people present

- Agenda was approved
- Minutes from October were approved
- Everyone introduced themselves

Principal's Report:

- Michelle McCarthy reported on the updates to the courtyard and thanked the team for their work.
- As the weather gets colder, the intention is to send the kids outside when they can so dress the kids warmly.
- Report cards will be released through Parent Vue. If your child has an IEP, hard copies will be sent home.
- The Mission and Vision for Jamestown has been updated:
 - Mission – We foster empathy, curiosity and growth for all.
 - Vision – Our daily work is driven by academic choice and an eagerness to learn. Students and staff work to challenge themselves in order to become lifelong learner and thoughtful community members.
- There is a proposal for a new school calendar next year – calendar link is on the APS website to review it and vote.

Guest speakers: Ms. Blaine and Ms. Leichtleitner spoke on Internet Safety and Technology

- APS has a Digital Citizenship program in collaboration with commonsensemedia.org

Dr Roache spoke about Cardigan Day happening on November 13th to celebrate Mr. Rogers.

Volunteers' & Officers' Reports:

Internal Relations – Maurine Fanguy reported for Shannon Haynes that:

- School play information has been released and sign up is due on November 22

External Relations – Angela Coker reported that:

- Reflections Contest entries are in and will be moving into county wide competition
- PTA reached 52% and students did receive extra recess on November 1
- Parent socials are ongoing
- 5K will be May 16

Maureen Fanguy reported on CCPTA activities:

- Central Library is hosting a meeting on effective waste management practices in APS – November 13th, 7-8:30pm in the Bluemont Room
- Kindness challenge is being kicked off with the gift fair December 7

ACI updates:

- Instructional reports are listed on the overall APS website to gain background on some of the programs that have been rolled out

Communications – Shelly Heinrich reported that:

- Directory listings are final and Shelly will be sending out an email to have everyone verify their information before the directory is released before publication
- Michelle McCarthy reported that 72% of our families have opted in for the directory via Parent Vue
- Shelly requested yearbook photos to yearbook-editor@jamestownpta.org; or <https://spaces.hightail.com/uplink/jamestownpta>

Fundraising – Stacy O’Neill reported that:

- Auction – February 22 and theme is Jamestown Prom 2020; (look up her name) moving forward and an email with details will go out this week; she is still looking for some volunteers for decorating
- Spring Fair – April 25 - planning is ongoing; Carrie Gray asked for new signage to use for the spring fair and school play; Jason Marino confirmed we have budget set aside to accommodate that request
- Restaurant nights – Stacey O’Neill updated that one of the Old Dominion Pizza restaurant night has happened; two additional ones will take place in the Spring with Chipotle and Lebanese Taverna

Treasurer – Jason Marino reported on:

- Jason reported on our beginning and ending balance. We spent down about 12K this past month mainly on the courtyard upgrades.
- Angela Cocker reported on the courtyard updates.
- Jason reported on emails with invoices might be getting caught in his spam folder and to reach out again if he has been unresponsive.

President – Maureen Fanguy reported on:

- Calendar survey – request to participate – link is on the APS website and will be posted in the PTA newsletter; sending a letter to the board is also recommended
- APS 2021 Elementary Planning Process – Maureen reported on the data and analysis that is available publicly. A survey is available online and there is a posted timeline for upcoming discussions and decision points. All of this information will be made available via the PTA Newsletter. Maureen suggested that we should participate in the process by attending the public meetings, surveys, etc.

Other Business: None

Motion to adjourn, seconded, and adjourned at 8:45pm

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