PTA Executive Board and Community Meeting Minutes – October 8, 2024
5:30 PM

PTA Executive Board Meeting Participants:

Jane Simons, Nora Stein*	Co-Presidents
Jackie Ross, Anita Seigfriedt	Co-Vice Presidents
Caryn Marks, Rob Greffenius	Co-Secretaries
Nicki Kenny, Carter Price, and Zahra Niazi	Co-Treasurers
Elizabeth McAdam*, Bethany Hanna*	Past Co-Presidents
Danielle Singh	Janney Principal
Nicole Ugel	AP
Robin Leed, Mellissa Modico*	Faculty Representative
Mike Barnhart	Janney Logistics Coordinator
Sarah Curtain	DEI Chair
Kim Calahan	Administration

*Not in attendance this meeting

1) Motion to approve September meeting minutes; minutes approved.

2) Janney 5K Update – November 16th
   a) Working to boost information, sponsorships and registration
   b) AU interested in in-kind volunteer opportunities – cross-country runners to help pace and mascot presence
   c) Need sponsorships confirmed by October 18th to get them printed on shirts in time
   d) Thinking through holistic approaches for key sponsors for a variety of ways to participate with Janney
   e) There will be a table at the expo to announce the Janney raffle

3) Principal/AP/DSL's Report(s)
   a) School Building/Facility Update
      i) Plumbing issue resolved - found source of leak in main boys restroom on 1st floor; looking into remediation via city and/or PTA;
      ii) PTA funds were used to purchase new furniture and equipment for pre-k classroom
      iii) PTA funds may be used to acknowledge hassle to affected teachers
      iv) Communications will go out to affected classes on the status of the leak and updates
      v) Councilman Fruman was helpful in ushering through the process
      vi) Prior AC system removed and installed a new system for the brick side of the building
      vii) Mouse abatement – continuing to work through DGS for abatement
         (1) PTA has a monthly Terminex contract for exterior
      viii) Deep cleaning in rooms impacted by stomach virus
   b) Staffing Updates
      i) 717 students + 3 students enrolling in coming days
      ii) Budget request submitted for additional staffing for partner teachers to support growing needs
      iii) Welcomed a partner teacher for Ms. Xavier; Ms. B is a new literacy partner teacher for K-3;
      iv) PTA helped to support some of the staff member needs
      v) Bringing on an additional part-time support for administration

vi) Open houses will have school leaders presenting and participating plus parent led + kid tours from 9:15-10:15 on set dates
(1) Consider creating a cheat sheet for parents/kids on commonly asked questions

c) Parent issues of note or other issues, if any
i) Families reporting about the pre-k classroom leak

4) Teachers' Report
a) Creation of a Janney Calendar as a fundraiser – will follow-up for next steps
b) Mural with Philips Collection on November 23rd for 3rd grade families

5) Presidents' Report
a) Death of student at Murch Elementary
b) Meeting with Fruman staff for collaboration
c) Past Events
1. Fundraising summary from P&P sale and two dining out nights
d) Update on upcoming events in next two months:
2. Community Service event on Indigenous People's Day October 14
3. Dining out nights:
a. Tuesday, October 8, Five Guys
a. Wednesday, October 23, Nando's Peri Peri
b. Tuesday, November 12, Chipotle,
c. Tuesday, November 19, Millie's
d. Wednesday December 4, Pizzeria Paradiso
2. Janney 5K and Fun Run November 16
3. Child's Play – November 20th
4. Raffle starting at 5K hopefully; drawing at Winterfest
5. Winterfest December 7.
e) Other event updates
6. No Winter Greens Sale this year
7. Auction chair update (committee of parents working together)
8. Consider November 23rd as a larger community day (1st and 3rd grades and safety patrol already involved)
1. Beautification an option

6) Treasurers' Report
a) SSF progress
i) On track generally
b) Budget updates if any
i) Fall picnic at a loss due primarily to security and custodial
ii) Consider parent grilling for spring picnic; neighborhood restaurants; Potomac Pizza as a potential partner
iii) Merchandise doing well

7) Vice Presidents' Report
a) Large excitement around younger child parents to become more involved
b) Room parent meeting in early October; 30+ attendees; more than half new room parents

8) Past Presidents/LSAT Update
a) N/A

Adjourn!