Meeting Minutes

James R Watson Elementary PTO

Date/Time: Monday, Sept 15th at 6:30pm Location: JRW School Cafeteria



Meeting called to Order by: Lindsay Foster, President Time: 6:33pm

Attendance: There were 17 attendees including Board & Principal & guest speaker, JRW Administrative Instructional Coach Carrie Quaintance; a quorum was reached.



Treasurer's Report (given by Andrea Sponhower)

- August Starting Budget Treasurer Report & Summary of 2024-2025 Accomplishments
 handout available & posted to PTO Website
- Reviewed current General Fund Budget report dated 9/15/25
- Increased Dine2Donate Budget this year
- Increased Spirit Wear Budget this year (new offerings)

Committee Reports

Box Tops (given by Andrea Sponhower)



• Current 25-26 school year amount raised is \$43.92. This year's goal is \$800. 2nd Grade won July/Aug Boxtops to Spin the Wheel for a treat & Dance Party. PTO will provide Ice Pops to students on Field Day if we meet our annual goal. Reminder to apply credits to Grade level

Literacy Night/Trunk or Treat (given by Lindsay Foster) *PTO BOARD

Trunks & volunteers needed, Texas Roadhouse will provide meal option with free-will
donation to PTO, asking for families to register for attendance. May have add'l Food Truck
option. APD hopes to bring the BearCat SWAT truck.

Color Run Committee (given by Angie Turner & Shaye Pfister) *Co-Chairs Angie Turner & Shaye Pfister

• Great Turnout, less families than year prior, total raised ~\$13,462 with a few outstanding expenses. Angie stepping down next year as co-chair, Amanda McGrew to co-chair 26-27 school year. Pie in the Face tentatively set for 9/24

Student Yearbook (given by Jenny Caylor) *Co-Chairs Jenny Caylor & Abigail Alexander

• Using same company as last year, already started putting it together!

Sweetheart Dance(given by Lindsay Foster) Co-Chairs Kileigh Wolfe & Jennifer Hagar

• Date TBD in Spring, last year for Jen to Co-Chair, Amanda McGrew to Co-Chair 26-27 school year.

Fifth Grade Party (given by Andrea Sponhower) *Co-Chairs Kiliegh Wolfe & Lindsay Foster

Date TBD in May

Son Plus One Event (given by Andrea Sponhower) Co-Chairs Andrea Sponhower & Anne Eidam

• Tentatively set for 5/3 for an afternoon Cosmic Bowling activity.

Teacher Appreciation (given by Lindsay Foster/Andrea Sponhower) *PTO Board

 Aug-Welcome Back Breakfast; Sept-Fair Donuts & Cider; Oct-Apple Bar; Nov-Mini pies; Dec-May-TBD

JRW Scholarships (given by Lindsay Foster) *Chaired by Ashley Sparkman

No update

School Kidz (given by Emily Wrona)*Co-Chairs Brandi Snider & Emily Wrona

• List requests go out to teachers in Jan, order forms go home March – will look into see if we can order extra for purchase AT Registration next year.

Skating Party *Chaired by Eric Bowser

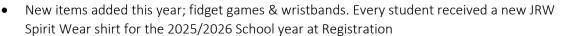
Date TBD in November





Committee Reports(cont'd)

Spirit Wear (given by Lindsay Foster)*Chaired by Amanda McGrew



Ronald McDonald Pop Tabs (given by Andrea Sponhower)*Co-Chairs Andrew Sponhower & Lindsay Foster

• Over halfway to our goal of 1million by end of this school year!

Rise N Roll Fundraiser (given by Lindsay Foster) *Co-Chairs Kileigh Wolfe & Anne Eidam

 Plan to do in Spring timing, Suggestion to use cafeteria for sorting if possible to allow for more space

<u>Texas Roadhouse Bread Fundraiser</u> (given by Lindsay Foster) *Chair____

 Order forms to come home Nov timing, limited on school orders this year, going forward will be unlimited. Delivery before Thanksgiving

Student Engagement (given by Lindsay Foster)*PTO Board

- Students received Pencilgrams at start of school; will receive Fruit Snacks @ Halloween. Dine2Donate (given by Andrea Sponhower)
- August Chipotle earned \$218, Future D2D: BWW 9/17, Panda Express 10/23, Salvatori's 11/18, Texas Roadhouse **w/ Santa Dec TBD, Mad Anthony's 1/4/25

Principal's Report (given by JRW Principal Austin Harrison & JRW Instructional Coach Carrie Quaintance) **TITLE 1 ANNUAL MEETING**

Mr. Harrison posted the annual Required Title 1 notices to Parent Square on 9/14, & today held an open meeting in compliance with program requirements. Our school qualifies for the Title 1 Program due to the 41% Rate for Free-Reduced Lunch. Mrs. Quaintance elaborated on how the Title 1 program allows for intervention groups to be fluid and allows help to be given to students even if test scores meet/exceed standard. Per Mr. Harrison, our school achieved a 98% Pass rate for IREAD in 2024/2025 school year. The State Expectation is 95% by 2027. Mr. Quaintance spoke about the new program, CKLA, & reviewed the various testing students do throughout the year, which varies by grade level.

Mr. Harrison provided mold update.

Next Meetings: November 17th, January 19th, March 9th, May 18th Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm
Minutes compiled by Emily Wrona, PTO Recording Secretary





