

# Jefferson Elementary PTA Agenda

## November 6, 2018

### 7pm



Elected Officers:     Ericka Young, President  
                              Brian Edwards, Vice-President  
                              Brandy Wisner, Treasurer  
                              Kelli Cooper, Secretary

### Agenda Items

7:00                     Welcome/Introduction                     Ericka

7:05                     Acceptance of Minutes                     Kelli

**Motion:** Jaclyn Gotch motions to approve with a couple minor edits

**Second:** Meg Gollnick seconds

**Result:** Unanimous approval

7:10                     PSD Superintendent                     Bob Maxwell

Dr. Bob Maxwell tries to make it to each PTA at least once a year. Data sharing presentation. Multiple measures used to measure progress. Common sources include WAKids, Dibels, maps, sba lab psat, sat, act wcas (science) classroom-based formative and summative measures. School improvement frameworks established by the state Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction and DOE(federal). Formerly known as the Achievement index. Calculations include ELA and math proficiency, growth indicators, EL progress, regular attendance, graduation (HS only), 9<sup>th</sup> grade on track(HS only)- i.e students that may have 1 F or more, dual credit (HS only)- could include Running Start, college in the classroom. Data is always reported a year behind, so will be showing last year's data. Index- Blue is great, Red is bad, orange is in the middle. We have a lot of work to do in the low income and students with disabilities especially when it comes to the growth category. The growth category indicates a year's worth of growth from where a student started. The numbers provided are off of the state assessment. The Smarter Balance Assessment (SBA) given to 3-8 and 10. Assess state standards, it is a graduation requirement. Really looking at this year's 4<sup>th</sup> grade students as they were trending down from previous years last year. Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS) currently not a graduation requirement until 2021. As a district, we trend at about 70—80% for meeting math standards at all levels, significantly higher than the rest of the state which trends around 30%. K-4 literacy we look at Maps and SBA together. Jefferson has some very strong indicators of growth for many subgroups including Title 1/LAP and Special Education. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade shows a decline, which is an unusual.

Title 1 Lap funding being used as more of a push in model, so those paraeducators are “pushing into” the classrooms so that the teachers are providing more of the intervention with parapro support rather than the other way around. The staff have been really open with this new system. District wide, there are some math specialists started with the younger grades last year, are working with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade teams this year. TOSAs have also been working with teachers at all levels as well. 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade had in-service trainings on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday last week with Jonnie.

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Principal's Report

Jim Bruce

October has been an exciting and busy month. The Fall fundraiser award winners got to go to Planet 3 right after the end of the fundraiser. I got to go dressed as a piece of pizza. Excitement out back, the outdoor learning lab is starting to take shape. You can feel a buzz about it and people are talking about it. I want to thank the PTA for another successful book fair. There were a lot of children come through and we couldn't do it without all the volunteers. Parent Teacher Conferences went well, we had a great turnout. It is always great to have parents and teachers come together. The school received a Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories donation (43 employees earmarked JES) of \$4300, 2 staff meetings were spent to figure out what to do with the donation. It was decided that the money would be spent on the STEM classroom on Oz robots (coding robots) and a STEM closet.

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Teacher's Minute

Open

No teacher present, skip

7:30

Treasurer's Report

Brandy

Some income from the Fundraiser has been put in, still waiting on the check from Get Movin' Crew. Outdoor Classroom will be eating up the majority of the budget this year. Concern over a need for a bit of a buffer due to changes coming next year. We have at least 4,000 "extra" in savings. We have not finalized teacher mini grant amounts yet. We are trying to finalize those soon as we consider the costs for the Outdoor Classroom.

7:35

Committee Updates

**Art Docent-** program is going well.

**Art Fair-** no update

**Book Fair-** Book fair was great. Overall there was \$6,672 in total sales, school will get about \$3600 pretty standard

**Box Tops-** box tops brought in about \$568, on par with Fall collection, typically used for outdoor play equipment.

**Carnival** (Jan 25)- If interested in helping please let Laura Winder know

**Chess Club** (Dec 7)- been going great so far, improved from last month, We've had about 50 kiddos each time. Question on liability for kiddos that are still hanging around after: need 2 adults? Bring to office? What's the process. Generally speaking, getting parent contact information from child or office is best so that the parent can be called.

**Destination Imagination-** Just purchased all the team numbers, multi-step process to register. We have 5 teams this year. Jaclyn was in the Tri-Cities for training last weekend. Most of the other attendees were in awe that we have 5 teams, as most of them have only 1. March 2<sup>nd</sup> for regionals.

**Drama Club** (Nov 26)- Have met twice now. We have about 6-10 kids. This last time, we had the kids read through a play and the kids really enjoyed that.

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**Fundraiser-** Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the committee, \$24,491.50 was the total brought in. We are pleased with the amount that we made. For Kamiak to be able to start their charter they need \$1000, so we have voted to gift Kamiak \$300. We thought another way we can incorporate Kamiak and Jefferson is to do another Gameraiser in the spring so that parents can purchase games for the classrooms at Kamiak as well. Meg wanted to know what we thought about this as a “bridge” activity in May.

**Green Team** (Nov 28)- Wait until February to bring WA Green Schools crew for the award ceremony, rather than doing a video. Meetings have been going well. We have anywhere from 10-20 kids. This year we have decided to add an extra recycling offering to the school through the Trex program. Bins have been ordered. This will be for plastic films such as plastic grocery bags.

**JES T-Shirts-** pushed back a little bit, will be coming later this month though. Goal is to get them before holidays

**Membership-** We are at 76, Dr. Maxwell is not on the list. Try to push to friends, neighbors, and teachers

**Movie Night** (Nov 16)- Thanksgiving theme. Trying to remember the name of the movie about the Turkey that was pardoned and then goes back in time to the first Thanksgiving....

**Newsletter-** will be happening. If you are committee chair, you may be getting an email from Amy Hill for information to include. Snippets on what we are doing, providing dates, etc.

**Outdoor Classroom** – Going well, hearing from teachers that all the kids are all really excited about it, there is one class doing a project just about the outdoor classroom. Thursday they will be pouring concrete for the path. Jana and Mega-D, and Meg will be meeting on Friday at 11 am. Rena and Meg have talked about getting some curriculum established for the outdoor classroom. Jennifer Harbor will also be included. Lots of progress and collaboration happening on this project. Phase 1 is happening right now and should be wrapped up soon. Phase 2 is everything else by April/end of year. It’s a really wonderful thing, how excited the kids are about this project.

**Playground Equipment-** Recently hired a couple paraprofessionals for lunch recess. Paraprofessional that covers final recess has been recently assigned to walk the playground to make sure that all the balls are brought back in. Also spoke to students via morning announcements about being helpers in returning equipment. Working on it.

**Snack Pantry-** We received \$2500 grant from Kiwanis, PRH Women’s leadership guild gave \$2000 ; held food drive at Dissmores and got a significant amount of food there as well. Working with WSU students and classes to get food packed. Anyone interested in taking over pantry at Jefferson let us know.

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**Staff Appreciation-** something will happen every month, the November one is next Wednesday

8:00                      New Business    Ericka

No new business at this time.

8:28                      Adjourned