

5/22/25 PTA membership meeting minutes

**Board Members in Attendance:** Natalie Cea (President), Shannon Griffin (VP HS), Elizabeth Drago (VP MS), Colleen Miller (VP JAE), Colleen VanHorne (VP FJC), Katelyn Miller (Recording Secretary), Elizabeth Mondello (Corresponding Secretary), Karen Solomon (Treasurer)

**Board Members Absent:** N/A

**Call to order-** 7:00 pm

**Minutes-** taken by Katelyn Miller

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Quorum**

**Farewell speech-** from PTA President, Natalie Cea

**New Business-**

**A. Vacancies that were filled-**

1. Danielle Hurley resigned April 11, 2025 as Corresponding Secretary. The board unanimously voted Elizabeth Mondello to be our new Corresponding Secretary.
2. Karen Solomon resigned April 22, 2025 to take effect June 30, 2025 after she trained the new Treasurer. The board unanimously voted for Catherine Kowalchuk to be our next Treasurer.

**B. Nominating Committee-** Vote for following board positions to be filled:  
(New board takes over July 1, 2025)

1. President
2. FJC VP
3. MS VP
4. HS VP

## **Executive Committees Reports-**

### **HS-**

HS VP position is open, Shannon Griffin gives speech to recruit.

PTA donated Two senior prom tickets, an ice cream truck for after senior walk, food, and balloons and flowers for graduation, and three scholarships were given.

### **MS-**

Elizabeth Drago gives a farewell speech.

PTA donated a monetary gift to 8th grade dance and also donated an ice cream truck, water and chips for the 8th grade picnic.

PTA donated duck donuts to the end of year breakfast for 6th & 7th grade.

PTA along with parent volunteer Ashley Price, contributing a balloon arch for the ceremony.

Reminder to please send in your sixth grade barbecue forms.

The spring book fair this month was a success. Thank you to parent volunteers for helping with this!

8th grade class snack fundraiser- with the help of students we raised a lot of money for this year's trip to DC and everyone's cooperation and support is much appreciated.

### **FJC-**

Staff appreciation day luncheon was a success for all schools.

Eagle plush were given to incoming kindergartners.

Second grade dance is June 20, which is fully funded by the PTA & volunteers are needed.

PTA is gifting sunglasses to graduating class.

Parent volunteer Ashley Price donated balloons for the second grade luau dance.

### **JAE-**

5th grade party is June 25 from 8:30 to 10:30 AM & will have a DJ, tent, and foam party.

Moving up ceremony is June 24. We will provide water and decorations along with gifting sunglasses to the graduating class.

PARP & JAE's 1st literacy night was a success! Suggestion for next year would be to combine FJC and JAE and do one night maybe in February. Goat fundraiser has been delayed due to the company and is expected to be run the end of May or the beginning of June pending Company feedback.

We heard from Melissa May tonight, the school psychologist who is willing to help the PTA.

**Treasurer's report-** Karen Solomon reported  
See print out for event totals

**Fundraising Chairperson's report-** Katelyn Miller reported we raised \$958.98 on our Spring Flower Sale

**Election-**

President- Christina Lombardi-Curtin

FJC VP- Christine Peretta

MS VP- Donna Cogger

HS VP- N/A

**We are in need of-**

Membership chairperson

Fundraising chairperson

**Principal's Report-** no principals are in attendance

**HS-** Shannon Griffin reads a report for the principal, which thanked the PTA for the generous staff appreciation luncheon and a special thank you to Natalie Cea and Shannon Griffin.

**MS-**

**JAE-**

**FJC-**

**SERC- Beth Henry**

Speaker Jordan Toma was a huge hit with all of the students and staff members!! Boces and SERC both contributed towards having him come in, which cost \$8,160.

Unified basketball the last game is Thursday at 5 PM, in the high school gym

An additional PTA scholarship was donated to a member of SERC.

Come see us at our booth at the sound beach kids day June 1st.

Current budget is around \$3,000 however some reimbursements need to be withdrawn.

We should push SERC flyers to all students with IEP's.

**Dates to Remember-** please check our website, parent square and social media for upcoming events!

**Open Forum-**

We should work on getting the information out to the community better of what the PTA actually does for the community.

We need teacher liaisons.

Again, the suggestion has come up to raffle off a parking spot or a skip the line pass for the pick up line.

A suggestion was made to send monthly forms out prior to our meetings.

Possibly plan summer parties to raise much needed funds and to bring excitement to the community.

A discussion was had about when children should start keeping track of their community service hours, and it was stated that sixth grade is when you should start tracking their community service hours.

Having all PTA events listed on the calendar. Over the summer when dates are finalized send to the school to be printed.

**Adjourn-** time – 8:40 pm