



Meeting Minutes

Marion Jordan PTA, General PTA Business Meeting

Date: September 26, 2018

Time: 7:06 p.m. – 7:43pm

Place: MJ Resource Center

- I. Call Meeting to Order – President
 - a. Establish a quorum (at least 12 members, including 2 officers)
 - YES/NO

- II. Approval of the General Membership Meeting Minutes on 5/22/18
 - a. **Secretary:** Do I hear a motion to approve the General PTA Membership meeting minutes from 5/22/18?
 - **Motion Called: Kelly S**
 - **Motion 2nd: Lisa S**

- III. Reports of Officers (try to limit to 2-3 minutes of highlights, put the rest in writing for all to see)
 - VP of Legislature Report
 - Bylaws – we’re looking for a committee to form to change bylaws this year; contact Jodi if interested
 - Nominating Committee
 - Bylaws pertaining to nominating committee formation read to membership
 - Article VI, Sections 3 & 4a.
 - **Secretary:** Per our bylaws, the members of the nominating committee for officers of a local PTA unit shall be elected. There shall be a nominating committee consisting of five (5) members, three (3) of whom shall be elected by the executive board from its body, and (2) elected by this association at a general membership meeting at least two (2) months prior to the election. There shall be one (1) alternate elected by the executive board and one (1) from the association. The committee shall choose its own chairman before the close of the general membership meeting at which they are elected.
 - Election of Nominating Committee

- **VP of Legislation:** The executive committee submits the following nominations to be elected for the nominating committee for the 2018-2019 school year: 3 Executive board members: Jodi Franzen, Kathy Czink, & Christy Brim alternate Jennifer Dahl. 2 General members: Ruhi Afiatpour and Rita Patel alternate Amanda Kelley
- **President:** Are there any nominations from the floor?
 - (no seconds necessary, if nomination made, **President:** Jane Doe has been nominated. Please read her credentials.)
 - If no more nominations: **President:** “The nominations are closed.”
 - If there are more nominations than positions, then there must be a ballot vote (President will be prepared for this situation).
- **President:** The election of the nominating committee members may be by voice, if there is only one nominee for each position. I move that the 2018-2019 Nominating Committee be comprised of board members and of general members. Is there any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? Motion Passes. Congratulations 2018-2019 Nominating Committee members: Jodi Franzen, Kathy Czink, Christy Brim, Ruhi Afiatpour, and Rita Patel alternates Jennifer Dahl & Amanda Kelley.
- Treasurer’s Report
 - Audit committee chair - Approve Audit to be filed
 - **Secretary:** The purpose of the and Recommendations are not to be punitive in nature. Difference of opinion as to process should not result in a recommendation if the treasurer’s records are correct. Recommendations are to help the current treasurer and board ensure that the associations financial transactions can be accurately recorded and transparent to membership.
 - **Audit Chair:** The audit committee examined the books of the treasurer of Marion Jordan PTA and find them to be correct:
 - **Audit Chair:** By recommendation of the audit committee we move that the audit report be approved as presented.
 - **President:** It has been moved that the audit report be approved as presented. Because it comes from committee, it requires no second. Are there any questions or discussion about the audit? All those in favor say Aye. Opposed? Motion Passes
 - Approve Budget



- **Treasurer** – present highlights of budget. The budget had been reviewed by the executive board for recommendation for adoption to General PTA Membership. It has been posted for at least 30 days in the PTA workroom. By recommendation of the budget committee and executive board, we move that the proposed budget be adopted as presented.
- **President** – It has been moved that the proposed budget be adopted as presented. Because it comes from a committee, it requires no second. Are there any questions or discussion about the budget? All those in favor say Aye. Opposed? Motion Passes
- Treasurer’s Financial Report
 - See Attached.
- VP of Fundraising Report
 - Currently we have had 150 families donate \$15,119. This is on target of where we were last year at this point; however, still have a bit to go to hit our \$20,000 target. We will be sending home a reminder flyer and email soon.
- Membership Report
 - 180 Parent Memberships & 35 Faculty Memberships.
 - Memberhub is a new IL PTA required tool all PTAs must use for memberships. Memberhub to accept memberships for the remainder of the school year. Go to: <https://mjpta.memberhub.store/> .
- Secretary Report
 - Thank you(s)
- President’s Report
 - Future PTA Meeting Dates
 - Our Future General PTA Meeting Dates will be at 7pm in the Resource Center on: 11/28/18, 2/27/19 and 4/18/19. Possible one in May for any unfinished business.
 - Digital Safety Presentation
 - On 11/28/17 after our General PTA Meeting we will have a presentation on Digital Safety by Illinois Attorney General’s Office and Cook County ICAC Task Force, Kathleen McGowan
 - We had this presentation in past years and it was well worth it. I would like to know if we should open it up to the district to attend

as well as we did for School Crisis Prevention and What Parents Need to Know night. Yes/No

- Discussed that it would be beneficial to open to the whole district and hold in the MPR
- Check out mjpta.org and the calendar for most up-to-date dates and times of events.

IV. Reports of Board & Committees (same—2-3 minutes, in writing if more complicated) 9:21am

- Principal's Report – Mrs. Shostachuk (Mrs. Tomal)
 - Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month wrap up on Friday with Alex's Lemonade Celebration and Rockin Recess. Thank you to Mrs. Brim and Mrs. Kowalski, and all of our volunteers...as well as the Goodall and Yianas families. Thanks to Mr Duffy, Ms. Clark and Mr. Kerkermeier for being good sports in the dunk tank!
 - Wrapped up MAP testing in grades 2-6 for Reading, Math and LA; Reports coming home shortly; reach out to teachers with questions.
 - Drill Day went well and we've completed most of our drills!
 - Thank you for flexible seating – kids love it!
- Faculty Representative Report – Gail Tomal
- SIP Liaison Chairperson Introduction – Kim Jarboe
 - Kim is available is anyone needs to talk through events about how to incorporate our SIP students; currently the program has about 40 students and is growing!
- School Supplies Chairperson – Lynda Hahnfeld
 - Delivered your child's classroom on Tuesday, 8/14, at 'meet the teacher'.
- Spiritwear Chairperson – Lynda Hahnfeld
- Kindergarten Liaison Chairperson – Amy Leischner
 - We dodge the rain for the day and Jay Jay the Blue Jay mascot came to meet the children. Good luck this year at MJ Kindergartners and your families, MJ welcomes you with 'wings' wide open! Special thank you to Vince Pesavento and Christy Brim for making sure our kindergartners could take a fun photo/memento with them and JayJay our Blue Jay school mascot.
- Back-to-School Chairperson – Jennifer Dahl
 - We stayed within our budget and had a fabulous turn out this year at the Back to School Social! You kept My Flavor It Place hopping right up until 3:00pm and 450 shaved ices were served in 90 minutes! Thank you to everyone who stopped by and braved the long line in the heat. Here's to a great year at MJ!
- Welcome Back Teachers Event Chairperson – Marla Spahic



- Our teachers and staff were welcomed back to school with a gift and healthy breakfast Monday morning, August 13th. Our teachers look ready to go and excited to start another amazing year at Marion Jordan. Thank you my daughter Cara & Kedra Pai and her daughter and son, Grayson and Kellan for all their hard work to make this event so special for our teachers and staff!!!!
- Picture Day-Tlynne Seyfarth
 - Thank you to Katie Hart, Luciana Bravin, and Agnieszka Czechura
- After School Programming – Lisa Swedo
 - Chess is in full swing
 - Foreign Language starting soon in October, sign up still open
 - Drama and Run Club expected in Spring
 - Still vetting vendors for STEM Club – will likely start in the winter
- Directory-Pankit Bhalodia
 - Completed and in print. Coming home in backpack mail in the coming weeks.
- Multicultural Night-Mahsa Migalski
 - Mahsa Migalski, Ruhi Afiatpour and Serene Hebert have been planning to bring together the first Multicultural Night at Marion Jordan. We have so many countries that make up our school community and it will be a wonderful way to celebrate together the richness of cultures that makes our school awesome! The way the event is envisioned is a night of learning, food, and entertainment. For logistical purposes, we are dividing out the tasks as follows: Ruhi (tables/countries), Mahsa (food/school deliverables), Serene (entertainment). If you are interested in doing a table, helping with food and or have a cultural entertainment idea like cultural dancing or song, please contact Mahsa, Ruhi and/or Serene. The event will be held on April 29th from 6-8pm.
- Jordanaire-Carrie Cadwell
 - Please submit your items by tomorrow we are laying out now! ☐ ☐
 - Target to be completed Oct. 2nd
- Reflections Chairperson – Erica Ariagno
 - Reflections is open now. Submissions due to the front office by November 1st. Literature on how to participate will be coming home in backpack mail next week or check the mjpta.org website

- Reflections is a National PTA arts program that encourages you to have fun with art! Students from all over the country participate by creating art related to a theme. The theme this year is “Heroes Around Me”.
- 6th Grade Committee Chairperson – Raeann Shedd & Christy Brim
 - 6th Grade Breakfast
 - Donuts, eggs, bacon, fruit, water, OJ and milk.
 - 6th Grade T-Shirts completed.
- PTEC Chairperson – Katie Hart & Lisa Lorig
 - Fruits and Veggies to be held in Jan
 - Brain Pop, Brain Pop Jr., Learning A-Z and Raz Kids all scheduled to be renewed
 - Ipad help is available when teachers are ready
- MJ Cares Chairperson - Christy Brim
 - Pediatric Cancer Awareness
- Fall Book Fair Chairperson – Lisa Froman & Annie McCall
 - The Book Fair brings books kids want to read to our school with a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Support our Teachers and Students by adding to the classroom libraries. Check out the Teacher Wish List Bins at the Fair. 55% of every purchase at the fair goes to MJ to purchase books, technology and supplies for the school
 - Dates are 10/16 – 10/19 in the Resource Center
 - Shop Online also from 10/6-10/26 with free shipping to the school at www.scholastic.com/bf/mjreads
 - Author presentation and book signing by Chris Grabenstein on Friday, 10/19!
- Mom’s & Muffins Chairperson – Val Morrison & Carrie Parlier
 - Oct 18 and 19 and this year we have a multicultural theme!

V. Room Parent Chairperson – Kim Pinkerman

- Halloween Parties
 - 1-6 grade Kindergarten PM
 - Parade at 1:45
Party from 2-3.
Parents can sign kids out and leave at 3:00
School out at 3:15
 - Kindergarten AM
 - Will get information on times as soon as confirmed.



- Typically, AM parents meet the students in the foyer for pictures and party begins right after.

VI. Unfinished Business

- None now

VII. New Business

VIII. Upcoming Dates

IX. Parking spot drawing to Jodi F

X. Adjourn at 7:43pm

Attendance:

Kim J
Gail T
Lisa S
Dana M
Kelly S
Kelly L
Jodi F
Erika B
Kathy C
Jeff F
Carlos M
Peter B