

PTA Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2022

Welcome/Announcements:

- Happy New Year 2022 to our Ratner Seaman families! Our PTA wishes you the very best of health and happiness in the year ahead and we look forward to a very successful second half of the school year. Thank you everyone for being here today on Zoom and glad to see you all healthy and well.
- Welcome to Mrs. Kletter, our principal
- Welcome to Mr. Patrick Fogerty, director of technology for the Jericho School district who is our guest speaker for today.
- We have decided to cancel our Family Game night that was scheduled for January 28th due to the rising covid numbers and stay tuned for further information on when that event will be rescheduled for.
- Our PTA executive board is looking to create our slate for officers for the upcoming school year. We are looking for volunteers for the following positions:
 1. Co-President (two spots open)
 2. Executive Vice President (one spot open)
 3. Vice President (two spots open)
 4. Treasurer (open spot open)
 5. Secretary (one spot open)
 6. Executive board members (multiple spots open)

If you have any further questions on these officer positions, please don't hesitate to email me. Note that positions are a two- year commitment while EVP is one year. A google form will be emailed and the deadline to respond is February 4th.

We are also looking for four executive board members and three non- executive board members to serve on our nominating committee. This is a short zoom meeting one time to review the slate and present it to the board. The meeting will take place in early February.

We have added a PTA meeting to the calendar for April 6th at 9:30am. The new slate will be announced at that meeting.

Mr. Grishman's Report

The absentee rate is around normal which is good news. We are beginning to see the light at the end of the tunnel following the Omicron surge.

We continue to be in daily contact with the Nassau County Department of Health regarding the latest COVID rules and regulations.

Mrs. Kletter's Report:

A reminder was sent out to encourage parents to send in hats and gloves with their kids so they are warm during recess and outdoor mask breaks.

Today the 5th graders are getting an Italian language presentation by the Middle School.

Former JRRS student and author Phil Bildner will be presenting to the 5th grade on Friday.

JRRS peer leaders will be presenting at Thursday's board of education meeting so please sign in to watch.

Secretary's Report: (Stephanie Richman)

I will sign everyone in who is here today.

The next Board of Ed. Meeting is tomorrow, January 20th at 7:30pm. It's also the budget workshop.

Out next PTA meeting is February 9th on ZOOM at 7pm (Note this is an evening meeting)

Treasurer's Report: (Emily Wachtel)

- Reimbursements
- Our financial standings
- Please consider donating to the 5th grade fundraisers to help fund their graduation events.

JEF Announcement: (Melissa Mancuso) Successful Champions for Charity around holiday time. We are waiting for the results.

Reflections: (Rohini) The submission deadline was 11/19. We got a box of responses and we are excited to announce that Rohini will create a video showcasing everyone's work coming soon.

Committee Reports:

Bulletin Board: (Meredith) Our January bulletin board looks amazing. Please when you stop into the school, please take a look and stay up to date on this month's happenings.

Community Service (Anna and Christine): The Momma's House Pantry drive is going on this week until Friday January 21st. Each grade was assigned a particular household item requested by Momma's House. For February our students will be asked to create Valentine's Day cards for our local Veterans. A flyer will be emailed.

Sunshine: (Jessica and Sahba) Updated teacher donation flyer/letter- accepting donations on MemberHub to be able to give our teachers celebrations and show appreciation. We are hoping to do a Valentine's Day treat, staff luncheon, and end of the year token gift.

Fifth Grade Committee: (Melissa, Sheree, Meredith, Guna):

Ices sales are going well. Our next one is on 1/28 its flying saucers.

All the 5th grade merchandise up for sale on MemberHub and people are buying.

Working on planning the graduation party which will be held on 6/22

Valentines chocolate sale- look for the flyer- chocolates will be distributed to the children who order on 2/14

Fifth Grade Yearbook: A flyer has gone out explaining how our fifth- grade parents can help submit old photos taken in their children’s classrooms and at school events since kindergarten. Baby photos have been collected. Boosters are going to be collected next.

Fundraising: (Vinita and Christine) For Valentine’s Day we are getting a percentage back to our PTA from Phil’s pizzeria in Syosset when you buy a heart shape pizza and make your own pizza kits! The kids will really love this one so don’t miss out while supporting our school.

Membership: (Stephanie and Vanita) Our membership for families and staff is open on memberhub and is live. It’s \$10.00 to join the PTA per family. Families have been contacted

SEPTA: (Vinita and Melissa Rand) Meeting was held last Wednesday, 1/12 with Cantiague. Also looking to schedule a virtual paint night for March 8th. More information coming soon.

Programming: (Melanie and Fariha) Virtual Music zoom coming up next month and Phil Bildner fifth grade author visit

PTA Luncheon: (Meredith and Guna): Please save the date for Wednesday, May 18th for the PTA luncheon. We are working on booking an outdoor venue for this event.

Mr. Fogerty presents

Goal 1 for 2018-2021

To create a place of learning that will explore and provide for every aspect of students’ capacities for learning by developing a broad, challenging and engaging curriculum. We will provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary for the twenty-first century.

Did Jericho achieve this goal?

- a) Minimally
- b) Moderately
- c) Significantly
- d) Fully

If not significantly or fully, what should we have done differently?

Goal 2 for 2018-2021

Jericho UFSD realizes the importance of professional development in integrating technology into teaching and learning. The true challenge of professional development is to inspire and prepare classroom teachers to launch curriculum-rich activities with the tools that make sense. Technology can be used as a tool to provide access to incredible resources that a teacher can use to greatly enhance the learning experience.

Goal 3 for 2018-2021

Jericho’s network infrastructure plays a crucial role in its learning environment supporting district servers, switches, Internet providers, software programs, apps, desktops, iPads, Chromebooks, laptops as well as staff and student owned devices. The network must support present and future needs,

increasing reliability, network speed, security, while decreasing network vulnerability to support teaching and learning.

Goals for 2022 and beyond

Potential Goal #1: Integrate real world technology, skills, and resources into our instructional practice to prepare students for college and life after school

Potential Goal #2: Provide high quality technology-centered professional learning opportunities to all staff members with an emphasis on training and support for new and emerging technologies in use at Jericho

Potential Goal #3: Jericho will provide a safe, secure learning environment that prioritizes network and data security, as well as the protection of staff and student personally identifiable information