

JL/CL PTA Meeting
Thursday April 21st, 2021 at 6:30pm
 Meeting Held Virtually on Zoom

Attendance:

X	President: Margey Vattiat		Member: Adrienne Crockett		Member: Katie Yabut
	VP - Communications: Josh Gavrich		Member: Sarah Byer	X	Guest: April Albers
	VP: Jennifer Watson		Member: Anne Tabler	X	Guest: Merry Persichetti
X	VP: Jackie McCloskey		Member: Mitra Anoushiravani		Guest: Kristin Umbras
X	Treasurer: Lisa Olson		Member: Lucia Levy	X	Guest: Sara McGrew
X	Secretary: Odessa Conway		Member: Neely South	X	Guest: Kim Yabut

Call to Order:

The Board Meeting of Jennings Lodge/Candy Lane PTA was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Margey Vattiat, as stated in the Bylaws, was present. Due to school closure, the PTA Meeting was held virtually, online, with *Zoom*.

Principal's Update:

* Free & Reduced Meals: Please be sure to complete application for free & reduced lunch program for 2021/22 school year to ensure the school receives adequate funding. The application along with other information can be found at : <https://www.ocsd62.org/district/nutrition-services>

* State Wide Testing: Statewide testing for 3-5 graders will be scheduled in a modified format to fit COVID restrictions. To opt out:

[Opt Out Form - English](#)

[Opt Out Form - español](#)

For more information please see the district website

<https://www.ocsd62.org/district/statewide-testing-information>

or contact the office.

*Student Photos: The district will be providing an opportunity for students to have their school photo taken. Please sign up for a time on April 28th or May 5th at the Jackson Campus. [sign up for a time](#)

*Classroom Environmental Preference: Each spring we provide parents with an opportunity to give input into their child's class placement for the coming year. Interested families are invited to complete the Environmental Preference Form prior to May 7, 2021. Please note that forms which list a teacher by name will **not** be accepted.

[English Environmental Preference Form](#)

[Spanish Environmental Preference Form](#)

*Parent/Family Survey: Our school has undergone significant changes in the last few years. First, we became a magnet site for Dual Immersion Education. Then, we shifted all of our instruction online as a result of the pandemic. Now, as we begin to think about a return to school next year, we want your help in imagining what the "new normal" might look like. Students, families, and staff are all encouraged to share their ideas. The survey will remain open through Monday, April 26th.

Prior Meeting Minutes:

Review of March 2021 Meeting Minutes was tabled due to time constraints.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer, Lisa Olson, was present and reported accounts had been reconciled. All treasury documents are available for general review. Please let the PTA know if you have any questions.

Grant Requests:

Two grant request were submitted submitted:

1. From Molly Berkner for \$562 to purchase t shirts for student bridging ceremony

2. From Teresa Flggins and Dian Hernandez for \$10-\$11 per 5th grade student to purchase an end of the year photo gift.

Odessa motioned to approve the requests as submitted. The motion passed.

Principal Albers intended to submit an additional grant request for the coffee cart to be available for a Teacher Appreciation event. The PTA determined funds from the Conference Meals budget line item and that no grant request would be necessary since the funds were not being taken from the Grant budget line item.

Fundraising and Events:

Due to COVID related restraints, the PTA has been limited in fundraising. The bottle drop has been successful in raising about \$300 to date. This item will be added to budget as miscellaneous donations until a better idea of potential earnings can be determined.

A PTA nomination committee will need to be finalized before May's meeting to allow for the succession of PTA Board positions. If you are interested in volunteering for a Board position, please contact the PTA. Two positions will be vacant - PTA President and a Vice President position. The PTA nomination committee must include 3 paid due members. If there are no nominations, the PTA positions will be filled following a line of succession set by the National PTA. Jennifer Watson is chairing this committee.

Round table/Questions to Principal Albers:

The garden space at the Candy Lane Campus is no longer maintained by School Yard Farms. If you have ideas for this space, please feel free to share in the Parent/Family Survey.

Feedback on the increase in the number of zoom classes and decrease in tech support with the transition to hybrid learning on campus was expressed. Please feel free to share in the Parent/Family Survey.

Parent/Teacher conferences are generally twice a year. Virtual meetings may continue to be offered in the future.

The Student Directory was not published this year due to lack of interest and difficulties in organizing with COVID restraints. The PTA will attempt to offer this again in the 2021-22 school year and is researching possibilities to provide a virtual copy that will meet all privacy regulations etc.

Due to the uncertainties of the upcoming school year, it is still unclear what the academic year of 2021-22 will look like. The district is anticipating returning students to on campus classes full time. Check the district website for the most current and accurate information. Guidelines set by the Oregon Health Authority and limitations due to COVID have also restricted access to on campus volunteers. Hybrid learning may be offered in special circumstances.

Close:

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

Prepared by:

Odessa Conway - Secretary