

Minutes for Jessie Beck PFA General Membership Meeting
November 6, 2024 5:30pm Craft

1. Call to Order / Attendance
2. Principals report
 - a. \$6500 grants from Assistance Leagues
 - i. Additional \$2000 going to Library for PermaBound Books
 - ii. Additional \$503 going to Counselor Closet
 - iii. Operation School Bell
 - b. Attendance has improved from 14% to 8%
 - i. Continue to work on this
 - c. Halloween Parade was so much fun.
 - d. Raptor
 - i. Single Point of Entry system coming this week
 - ii. Will help better track campus visitors
 - e. Deans Report
3. Trustees Report
 - a. Chronic Absenteeism is a big community initiative
 - i. Cannot help students if they are not at school
 - b. Partnership with Strengthen Our Community
 - i. Fund resource people in different schools
 - c. Academic Outcomes
 - i. Washoe County has 5 of the top elementary schools in the state and 7 of the top high schools in the state
 - d. Nevada is 60% underfunded compared to other states
 - e. Student Aids
 - f. Got rid of standalone principal's
 - g. Expanded our school police
 - h. Expanded our translators
 - i. Stabilized funding around Dual Language Learning
 - j. 20% Raise for teachers and doubled the amount of prep time for educators
 - k. With Superintendent Ernst to speak at a committee meeting because of working with local labor unions and community to help support families and teachers
4. Presidents Report
 - a. No new business
5. Vice Presidents Report
 - a. Newsletter
 - i. At the printer and going out soon
 - ii. Amanda Dudley has been doing a great job making these look great
 - b. Merchandise
 - i. Working with Fashion Streets

- ii. Need sweatshirts
 - 1. Work on making new designs
 - 2. Keep zip up

- 6. Treasurer's Report
 - a. October's End of Month
 - i. Scarecrow income and expenses biggest activity
 - 1. Almost done with expenses
 - ii. Personnel is our biggest demand on our annual budget
 - 1. Biggest request for interventionist and aids
 - 2. Starting to allocate now
 - iii. Received a greater average of donations this year
 - 1. Tied to other expenses
 - 2. Tracked under Laney Herschanel Fund

- 7. Committee Reports
 - a. Garden
 - i. Applied
 - b. Art to Grow
 - i. Whitney Stodmeister will have Volunteer Meeting for FTA
 - 1. Early December
 - ii. Whitney also held a kiln class
 - iii. Newsletter coming out soon!
 - iv. She requests text and email if you need supplies
 - c. Boosters/Sponsorship
 - i. Banners on fence and ads in newsletter
 - ii. Met our financial goal for the year
 - iii. Revamped the program
 - 1. Fence signs are what people wants to see!
 - d. Fund the Arts 3/7/25
 - i. Masquerade (Phantom of the Opera-style)
 - 1. Working on artwork and branding for Save the Date to have done next week
 - a. Red, Gold, Black
 - e. Charleston Wrap
 - i. Goal \$17,000
 - 1. We made \$14,900 (Last year we made \$18,000)
 - a. Online orders go through December
 - ii. Delivery Date some time in December
 - 1. Self Managers can distribute boxes
 - iii. Goal for 2025-26
 - 1. Not have competing fundraisers
 - f. Jog-A-Thon 5/2/25
 - i. Karissa and Lauren will do the tech
 - ii. Patty Zimmerman wants to help but not be chair
 - iii. Kyle, CJ Dudley, and Eddie Quaglieri are wanting to build a ninja course for the Kindergarten and Pre-Ks
 - iv. Possible color run for 4th and 5th
 - g. New Opportunities

- i. Thanksgiving Basket Drive 11/18 - 11/25
 - 1. Flyers went out before fall break and she will send out again
 - 2. Will get to meet with the families
 - h. Scarecrow - Recap
 - i. Huge success
 - 1. Earlier in the year and great weather
 - 2. Made the local news!
 - 3. Sponge throw was the most popular game
 - ii. Division of labor was well done.
 - 1. Lots of involvement
 - iii. Made \$4800
 - 1. Community event so not expecting to make profit so very excited for how it did.
 - 2. Supplies donated helped with bottom line
 - 3. Kept budget under \$4000 spent (budget was \$8000)
 - iv. 2025-26
 - 1. May need to re-evaluate providing transportation
 - a. Continue to have permission slips\
 - b. Beth Smith wants to know if she should provide buses or an alternative from the School Board to help
 - i. Staff Appreciation
 - i. Great breakfast from Mimi's on Election Day
 - ii. Woo Woo Wagon is going well
 - 1. Need to set up December, January and February dates
 - 2. Parents have opportunity to volunteer and plan their own themes
8. DLAC
 - a. Scarecrow
 - i. Craft Booth - free activity. Dia de los Muertos themed
 - 1. Well attended
 - b. Multicultural Night -
 - i. Need to reschedule from 12/6/24 → move to spring 2025
 - 1. Rachel and DLAC to set date
 - ii. Want to incorporate teachers to utilize social sciences
 - iii. Suggestion to have an organizational meeting to help form committee and organize
 - c. Book Swap
 - i. Fall was skipped but will have one before winter break - December 19th
 - 1. Michelle Kiewicz will run and recruit more families
 - 2. Will start soliciting book donations
9. Open Forum
 - a. January 6, 2025 will now be used as a contingency day
 - i. Contingency days will be used as professional develop days on back end of school year to help keep from changing school days and affecting family schedules/vacations
 - b. Need parent and faculty host for Girls on the Run
 - i. Social and emotional well-being
 - 1. Well developed curriculum
 - ii. Meet twice a week



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- iii. At the end the participate in the 5K
 - c. Shade structure going in on upper classman playground in the next few weeks
 - d. Home Depot donated sand boxes and paint for hopscotch/four squares
10. Next PFA Meetings
- a. Board Meeting - 12/4 4:30pm (TBD)
 - b. General Meeting - 1/8/25 5:30pm Craft
11. Adjourn