



## MEETING MINUTES Journey Middle School PAC Meeting

*Date / time* February 11th, 2025 – JMS | 7:00 pm | *Meeting called by* Journey Middle School PAC

### Executive Members

Emma Shehan, President | Meghan Rownd, Vice President | Sheena Crossman, Treasurer | Evangelia Koutsodimos, SPEAC Rep | Julie Salter, Secretary | Kristy Green, Fundraising Coordinator | Tamila McLean, Food coordinator | VACANT, Event Coordinator

### In attendance:

Meeting Called to Order: 7:06pm

### Opening Motions:

- **Motion to adjourn by 8:00pm** – Kristy 1<sup>st</sup>, Sheena 2<sup>nd</sup> - APPROVED
- **Motion to approve agenda** – Sheena 1<sup>st</sup>, Kristy 2<sup>nd</sup> - APPROVED
- **Motion to approve January 2025 meeting minutes** – Tamila 1<sup>st</sup>, Sheena 2<sup>nd</sup> - APPROVED

### Partner Groups:

#### Darren Russel, Principal

- Working on September plans. This school is busy! (school change request, Hockey Academy, French (and late) Immersion,...)
- So far Hockey Academy is looking like Grade 6 (18) Grade 7 (22) Grade 8 (14). Placed in Cohort. They do hockey when other classes do P.E.
- Some French Immersion combined with Hockey Academy students. Also wondering if they can have hockey students do band as well? Hockey + French can work. Hockey + Band doesn't seem to work with scheduling in general with Cohorts.
- Band = pull out program (pulled out of Art)
- School change request just opened up on Monday till the 21st of February. Depends on numbers. Grade 6 (3 out/1 in) Grade 7 (3 out) Grade 8 (1 out).
- 14 signed up for the Grade 6 Late French Immersion. Not sure we will get the funding for it because of sign up numbers. If not these students may choose to go to John Stubbs.
- STAFF - Anyone under 3 year layoff line could get letters - anywhere between 14-19 (teachers) could get layed off. There will be a lot of turnover and change. As of March 1st depending on seniority there can be layoffs. Posting needs to be in by 10th of April. Hopefully by mid June we will know our staff. Layoff line applies to all the teachers across the board.
- When placing kids into classes there is a big process involved. Everything is taken into consideration. Then if late numbers are added a new cohort is needed. This usually makes all the classes adjust. Right now there are 22 Cohort classes. Next year there will be at least 23.
- Email sent out about host families needed. Exchange with city in Japan. This has been going on for 35 years. (Darren was part of the original group going to Japan). 22 host families needed for students visiting March 25th - March 30th. Anyone in Grade 7 hosting a student now would be first in line to go to Japan next year.
- QUESTION: Monday there were interviews for a new Principal. Hasn't heard anything but has heard that something might be known by next week. Will start after Spring Break working alongside Darren Russel.
- QUESTION: PAC Munchalunch donations. Intention was to give kids that cannot afford it to get Subway lunches. Not sure how to these funds that have been already collected (\$197 - approx. 56 subway sandwiches). Could be put towards the JURO Tournament (snacks, t-shirts,...) TO BE DISCUSSED BY PAC TO PUT FORTH A RECOMMENDATION.
- QUESTION: Gaming Funds for Orange Heart Program could be absorbed back since this isn't going to happen at this time.
- QUESTION: Baseball gloves (\$70 each) / hockey nets have not been ordered by Mr. Vine. Wanted to make sure it makes sense and is approved. Darren likes the idea, but will talk to Zac Vine to see if it makes sense and how it would function. Needs to be organized with a sign out so that things don't disappear. Possibly and EA could be in charge and organize with

checking them out and use. Suggestion is to put this all on hold because it gets tricky to regulate and supervise. Possibly spend the money more on general outdoor equipment (basketballs, volleyballs, soccer balls, skipping ropes...). Request to communicate with teachers to see where the classroom “bag of balls” are at and how that is working.

- QUESTION: Garden Club - that should be a go but Darren will talk to Terry to see if she is up for spearheading this.

## **Treasurer Report:**

### **General Account:**

\$5519.30 (opening balance)

\$8130.41 (closing balance)

> \$5223.34 (total available funds - General Account)

\*\$700 from Gaming needs to go back in the General Account

### **Gaming Account:**

\$20,262.77 (opening balance)

\$20,262.77 (closing balance)

> \$10,805.14 (total available funds - Gaming Account)

### **Playground Fund Account:**

\$3,277.53 (closing balance)

### **Fundraising:**

GOALS : Water fountains, Playground

Winter Dance Concession: \$420.00

Munchalunch: \$2,221.20

WestCoast Seeds: \$415.00 (approx.)

Bottle Drive Idea - confirm a date and then run it past teacher to make sure it doesn't overlap

Crispy Cream Sales possibly March/April

Snack Days ? Pep Rally Day Concession? These are options if someone would like to run one. At the moment, no one is available.

## Old Business:

- Reimbursement form for the PAC Executive is pinned on our Exec Facebook page. Exec Reimbursement Forms are slightly different than the ones we use for the staff.
- Div. 13 Chloe Wade - Board Game Cafe Field Trip \$125 - Div 13 has enough in their C.E. Fund to use towards this field trip.
- Talked about upcoming fundraisers: Krispy Kreme and a Bottle Drive in the Sooke Elementary parking lot. Kristy will book the space and dates will be available in the next few weeks.

## New Business:

- Emailed Gaming Commission about allocating funds for extra curricular field trips. Seeking clarity on how we determine if an activity is extra -curricular or curricular. Gaming Commission said in an email that If attendance is mandatory it's considered curricular. If attendance is not mandatory then it is extra-curricular. For example, if students are expected to know materials covered in the field trip, then it would be considered curricular. Would like to look at this more closely and be more open to considering Gaming Funding.
- \$400 from previous years gaming. Voted on in January to be used for summer BBQ. This money needs to be allocated. Tabled to next meeting.

## Announcements and Adjournment:

Next Meeting March 11th, 2025, 7pm in the Library

- Adjournment; 8:41 pm
  - **MOTION:** to adjourn meeting
    - Sheena 1<sup>st</sup>, Tamila 2<sup>nd</sup>- APPROVED