

MEETING MINUTES Journey Middle School PAC Meeting

Date | time June 10, 2025 - JMS | 7:00 pm | Meeting called by Journey Middle School PAC

Executive Members

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

In attendance: Emma Shehan, Meghan Rownd, Sheena Crossman, Tamila MacLean, Kristy Green, John Mennie, Ashley Payette, Jenn McArthur, Janine Rossi

Meeting Called to Order: 7:03pm

Opening Motions:

- Motion to adjourn by 8:15pm 1st TM, 2nd SC APPROVED
- Motion to approve agenda 1st MR, 2nd AP APPROVED
- Motion to approve May 2024 meeting minutes 1st MR, 2nd TM APPROVED

Partner Groups:

- John
 - \$20,000 worth of furniture on its way to upgrade the library space
 - Also have received lower, moveable shelves which will replace the higher shelves there currently
 - End of year
 - Rainbow Parade took place
 - There was a year-end band concert
 - Grade 8 leaving will be June 25 dance that night
 - Juro tournament the last week PFC is coming
 - September start-up has changed emailed to parents
 - Instead of a staggered start Grade 6 will come the first day (half day) and all grades will start the next day (full day) - like it has always been done at JMS
 - Due to the bussing schedule and concerns about parents having to drop off/pick up students
 - Field trips are happening
 - Classes going to various beaches and lakes over the last few weeks
 - National Indigenous Day is on June 20th
 - Grade 8s going to Thetis
 - Grade 6s heading to Aylard Farms
 - Some Grade 7 classes are camping this week
 - June 12 is pep rally and grad walk
 - Yearbooks coming out to students June 19th
 - **Water Fountains**
 - The work order is in so they will be installed asap
 - 2 fountains were delivered and John inspected them for damage
 - BBQ for the students will take place September 5th
 - PAC needs to figure out the BBQs
 - Looking at if the Lions can come and cook PAC will supply food for students (gaming)
 - Question for John: Communication from PAC to teachers how can we make this happen in a better way?
 - Parents are asking teachers what is happening and they don't know
 - John suggested that he could put information on the staff board in the staff room
 - We'll work out something

Treasurer:

- Playground fund is now at \$0.00
 - Moved that money to the general account to purchase water fountains
 - We have set aside \$3272.17 from Gaming to use for the playground (funds will need to remain in the Gaming account)
- General Account: will be \$2792.08 (as of June 9th) pending any additional expenditures
 - o All but 3 divisions have spent their CE funds
 - Discussed Grade 8 Thetis Lake trip needing \$20.00 additional funds will take from leftover CE funds (under \$100.00 – no vote needed)
 - o Fundraising this year was \$22,000 with \$14,500 in expenses = \$7862.23 (to date)
 - o Received \$350.00 from Rotary for our library PAC will hold funds until they are spent by the library
- Gaming Account: will be \$8100.91 (as of June 9th does not include funds set aside for playground from water fountain purchase)
 - Discussed using these funds for the playground
 - \$3272.17 currently set aside (meaning approx. \$4900.00 remaining)
 - Noted that \$476.00 was spent on flute repairs for band class Emma will look into whether this is allowed under gaming as Band is a curricular course

Old Business:

- Playground Proposal
 - Meghan has done up a draft which was reviewed by Emma
 - Will complete the document and send to the PAC and school before submitting to the District will be done by end of this school year
- Grade 8 Year End Trip
 - Waterslide trip was cancelled due to lack of interest
 - Grade 8s are going to Thetis
- Grade 8 Dance
 - o 6 parents have volunteered may get some interest from staff to assist
 - Kelly and John will be there to help out
 - Same set up as last year students will sign in and will be required to stay until they are picked up (no in and out)
 - o DJ is booked
 - PAC is providing food there will be a concession if students want more snacks (understood we cannot make money on the concession as we are using Gaming for this event)
- Indigenous Plant Garden/Edible Garden
 - The front Indigenous garden has been cleared out school is working on replanting
 - o Back garden will be tilled and tarped for over the summer to get it ready to set up next year
 - Emma is still working on getting information from Flourish on whether they are helping schools with doing up gardens for vegetables, etc.
- Classroom Ball Bags & Neighbourhood Bins
 - Discussed the neighbourhood bins for larger items to share among classes (rather than having a bin at the front door)
 - Decided to ask the teachers if they are okay will monitoring these items before moving ahead
 - Not sure of the feasibility now that we've thought more about it
 - Ball bags are being returned from classes
 - Emma is going to go through them and make sure they are stocked up for next year
 - Facilities will be checking out the roof to see if anything made it up there
 - Note from Meghan to ask the school to contribute to restocking the bags sure they get money each year to provide balls, etc for recess
 - o Emma asked if PAC would be willing to provide some extra funds to get the supplies we need
 - MOTION: to provide an additional \$500 from Gaming to supply the classroom ball bags with more items
 1st MR, 2nd KG APPROVED

New Business:

- Emma has provided an idea of what the budget for next school year would look like to get feedback
 - Gaming
 - Meghan mentioned that we might not be able to provide funds to the band class from Gaming in the
 past PAC provided funds from Gaming for the band trip which is okay for Gaming but we cannot spend
 Gaming for materials, repairs etc for equipment used during class time (curricular)

- PAC discussed either putting all the Gaming funds for next year aside for a playground rather than providing the supports we traditionally would
 - Concern that the funds we receive each year are intended to be used for the students in that current school year to enhance their extra-curricular experiences
 - Saving all the funds for future students wouldn't be fair
 - Discussed taking any leftover funds and allocating that to a playground instead
 - PAC will continue this discussion next school year
- Voting on Executive Positions
 - President
 - Nomination made ahead of meeting for Emma Shehan accepted
 - Called twice for any other nominations no response
 - Emma voted in by acclimation
 - Vice-President
 - Nomination made ahead of meeting for Meghan Rownd accepted
 - Called twice for any other nominations no response
 - Meghan voted in by acclimation
 - Treasurer
 - Nomination made ahead of meeting for Sheena Crossman accepted
 - Called twice for any other nominations no response
 - Sheena voted in by acclimation
 - Secretary
 - Nomination made ahead of meeting for Jaime Eaglestick not in attendance
 - Called twice for any other nominations Jannine Rossi nominated accepted
 - Jannine voted in by acclimation
 - SPEAC Rep
 - Nomination made ahead of meeting for Evangelina Koutsodimos not in attendance
 - Called twice for any other nominations no response
 - Position remains unfilled
 - Fundraising Coordinator
 - No nominations made ahead of meeting
 - Called twice for any other nominations Kristy Green nominated accepted
 - Kristy voted in by acclimation
 - Event Coordinator
 - No nominations made ahead of meeting
 - Called twice for any other nominations Ashley Payette nominated accepted
 - Ashely voted in by acclimation
 - Food Coordinator
 - No nominations made ahead of meeting
 - Called twice for any other nominations no response
 - Position remains unfilled

Announcements and adjournment

- Next Meeting September 2025, 7pm in the Library
- Adjournment
 - o MOTION: to adjourn meeting at 9:02pm 1st MR, 2nd TM APPROVED