# **Jackson Academy of Math & Music**

# **Minutes for JAMM Home & School Club**

Date: Tuesday, Sept 15th 2020

## The meeting was called to order at: 7:05pm

### Attendance:

**Members:** Melissa Altknecht, Erica DeMasi, Ngoc Mains, Cappy Myers, Marjorie Schmidt, Emily Wilcox, Hyon Chu Yi-Baker

Absent: Elizabeth Miller

**Guests & Visitors:** Patrick Buchser, Jennifer Gacutan-Galang, Ashley Campagna, Cindy Wargocki, Jenny Sullivan

# Approval of Minutes: None

# **Current/Upcoming Events Updates**

- <u>Book Fair</u> (September 21st October 2<sup>nd</sup>), Emily Wilcox
  - This year the book fair will be virtual. In the past, their on-line options were not very strong but this year their on-line selection is robust. Books will be mailed directly to your home. 25% of each book, after Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> it will drop back down to 1% or 2%.
  - On-line program will not let us shop for teachers. Parents will have to help organize and perhaps use either Amazon or Sign-Up Genius.
  - Motion: It was moved by Emily that \$10k be the fundraising goal this year. It was seconded by Jennifer.

Vote: Aye: unanimous Nay: 0 Abstain:0

- <u>Unity Week</u> (Oct 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>), Hyon Chu Yi-Baker
  - o Unity Day is Wednesday, Oct 21st
  - Erica and Ashley agreed to help with the planning.
- <u>Fun Run</u> (October 30<sup>th</sup> November 1<sup>st</sup>), Melissa Altknecht
  - Virtual Fun Run: run on your own (in your neighborhood for example)
  - Registration Oct 5<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, \$85 4/pack, \$25/person, will receive a bib and a medal or t-shirt.
  - Website will have a button for registration and donate
  - Funds will go toward the H&SC General Funds. Letter will go out to explain the rationale for this.
  - This year we will not be asking for prize donations from local businesses.
  - Activity ideas for the fun run: Costume contest, photo vignette, lawn sign contest, virtual celebration
  - Action: Will create a hashtag and a new logo and will also consider coming up with a Fundraising Goal.

# **Committee Updates**

- Project Cornerstone (Hyon Chu Yi-Baker)
  - Jen gave an update on the ABC reader for this year. Gave a short history of what was done in the past. PC is now offering a recording throughout the county. A second option is to have a parent volunteer to do the reading/recording. 3<sup>rd</sup> option: Parent volunteer to do a live reading.
  - Marjorie spoke about the SEL (middle school) curriculum. Many of the topics will address covid.
  - Action: Vida confirmed during the meeting that all volunteers still need to do the finger print and background check. Ngoc will do some research about how background checks are being done right now and will report back to H&SC.
- Room Parents (Donna Velasquez)
  - o 8 teachers do not yet have a room parent

Budget Update (Melissa Altknecht & Cappy Myers)

- Reviewed budget expenditures and gave some highlights:
  - Spent \$1,055 on the bags
  - Teachers received grants to purchase their virtual supplies
- o Action: Ramp up Amazon smile and work on marketing this to JAMM families.
- If you want a copy of the budget contact Ngoc.

### Principal Update (Mr. Buchser)

JAMM registered 648 students this fall. Leadership team has developed a specific plan for reentry but still up in the air on when students might be able to return to campus. Back to school night for music had about 30 parents which was a good turnout. The new construction is projected to open around Oct 30<sup>th</sup> with move-in on Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. 70-80% of teachers are working on site.

### Announcements: None

### The meeting was adjourned at: 8:15pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 20th

# **Upcoming Events:**

### September:

21st –Oct. 2nd	Book Fair
25th	Spirit Day – Favorite Book Character

### **October:**

1st	Picture Day
2nd	No School

13th	SSC Meeting
14th	ELAC Meeting
19th – 23rd	Unity Week
20th	H&SC Meeting
23rd	Spirit Day – TBD