

JLPA Minutes
2016-2017 School Year
Date: 9/06/16

Meeting Commenced: 6:33PM

Attendance: *Alison Gaffney, Maya Liss, Kelly Fuller, Nina Healy, Stacy Allen, Brian Dreyfus, Tom Ford, Theresa Weimann, Marie Greco, Erika Palermo, Lynn Trifilo, Austin Dailey, Colby Franschilla, Chris McInvale, Melissa DiPietro, Christina Collin, Jill Root, Melinda Lauderdale*

I. PaperHouse Productions Update (Mark):

- Intro
- Summer Items: DMYFS Summer Program “High School Musical 2”
- Invited to Durham Fair (Thurs. 5:30PM – Center Stage)
- JLPA Agreement Approved
 - Face Microphones approved & purchased by Paperhouse Productions (8-12)
 - 2017 Musical: “Shrek”
 - Show Dates: 4/21/17 – 4/23/17
 - Registration:
 - Grades 1-4 / 60-65 children
 - Recommendation that interested families register EARLY (in October)
 - May switch to electronic registration (email PDF)
 - Bring check (\$125) when picking up script
 - Proposed Rehearsals (2hrs):
 - Typically Th & F at Lyman beginning 12/8
 - May switch to Fridays until 5:30PM (Lyman) / Sundays 2-4PM or 3-5PM (Mldfd Cnty Ctr)
 - Requested advance notice for weekend rehearsal dates (1mo.); and suggested booking extra Thursdays for make-up dates

II. First Week: K Bus Ride & 1st Day of School – thank you for all who helped make it a success. Bus Ride went excellent.

III. JLPA Info:

- Board Member *Intros*
- *FB Page* – try to keep it updated on a regular basis.
- *Meetings* every first Tues of the month – 6:30. Try to have a babysitter available. Helps if JLPA is notified that a babysitter will be needed.
- *Big Fundraisers* (looking for co-chair): School Play, Corn Booth, Mixed Bags (Fall this year- Mixed Bag Table at Parent’s Night), Cultural Arts, Stop & Shop & Price Chopper, Box Tops, (spring) Square 1 Art, Marathon (raised \$1500 last year – 1st & K biggest contributors last year).
- *Cultural Arts* - JLPA funds a lot of the arts programs at the school. One HOT artist – works with 3 classrooms. JLPA pays for all the rest of the resident artists.
 - Sally Rogers working with K and 1st grade classes - working on song writing.
 - Don Cooper: 3 of the ¾ classes will be working with Don; the JLPA will pay out of their funds for the rest of the classes who aren’t working with Don
- We have a *Board of Ed Liaison*
- *Corn Booth & Year Book Committees*
- *Newsletter* (3-4 x/yr) - articles done by kids, teachers, administration
- *Writer’s Wall* (Stacy Allen) - published kids’ work is posted. Children submit pieces to literary board. Names are removed, board reviews and may/may not accept onto Writer’s Wall...once

accepted – goes to Art Board – it's illustrated and then moved to Writer's Wall board. *Help is needed during the day putting new pieces on the wall and removing the old pieces.*

- *Hospitality Committee* – no-one heading this committee right now. Suggested that we create separate committee's for certain functions (i.e. luncheons vs. field day) instead of one Chair leading all functions.
- *Go Far*: Teacher liaison (Mrs. Abbott) & Janina co-chair. 1, 2, 3, 4s do this during lunch/recess (about 10parents help). K: has own version of Go Far – smaller course.
- *Reading Counts*: motivational reading program – kids read passages, quizzes that go along with them, kids earn points (10pts at a time)– happens during school day. Starts in K (mostly 2nd half) – earn certificates from Mr. Ford. Parent Volunteers keep track of the points. Primarily K, 1 and 2.
- *Classroom Liaison*: Room Mom for JLPA – pass minutes on to room mom in classroom

IV. Mr. Ford's Updates:

- Very grateful for our unique JLPA. The vast majority of the fundraising money goes directly into programs for the students. Not every school puts the \$ back into high quality instructional programming the way the JLPA does.
- Welcome Back! 5th year at Lyman –Thank yous for the hospitality committee for the coffee & food at bus ride and first day (court yard welcome). Off to a good start – great group of K kids that came in this year – excited to be in school – quickly getting settled.
- Reminder notice to go home Wed 9/7/16 – Adult (only) Info night Thurs – 2 sessions K/2 6-7pm; ³/₄ from 7:15-8:15. Whole group gathering to start, staff introduces themselves. Mr.Ford says a few words, then teacher presentations begin in classrooms.
- October: Family Share Night – a reminder to be sent out after the next JLPA meeting. This night is for families to do together. Also do some family share mornings (Friday's typically) kids can show what they're doing (for families who can't make the share night).
- No School Friday: 9/23/16. Durham Fair.

V. JLPA Secretary Position: unanimously voted in Melissa DiPietro

VI. Corn Booth:

- Inventory taken: Lots of supplies left over from last year (Knives, Foil)
- Would like to ask for bottled water donations: 16. 9oz Poland Springs only: sell all for same price.
- 85 Bags of Corn – same Corn Vendor (Portland) as last year– 2 pick ups (Wed am – 50 bags). Sold 83 bags last year
- 1 for \$3/ 2 for \$5
- Muffins: Doing more than last year b/c we sold out last year. Melissa's school will be making them again. We have the tins. Buying 18dozen this year.
- Talked about doing corporate sponsors this year. Put corporate name on tent somewhere. We'll have to include names of anyone who donates anything to the Corn Booth (i.e. Hay etc.)
- Refrigerator for water this year.
- Repairing the booth's fencing structure. Going to need new tent in a few years.
- [Looking for co-chairs. This is Jim and Stacey's last year.](#)
- Sign up sheets for volunteers will be done for Thurs Info Night.
 - Stickers to show volunteer sign up
 - Also, online sign up for volunteers: Volunteer Spot.

[Meeting Adjourned: 8:00PM](#)