

Jamison HSA General Meeting Agenda – January 30, 2018

Meeting Date: January 30, 2018

- I. Call to order at 9:00am
 - a. Mr. Croyle welcomed everyone and introduced Mr. Hottenstein and his fifth graders.
- II. Principal's Report
 - a. On February 22 at 6:30pm, Jamison will host the district's NOVA parent program on online safety. Mr. Croyle has been vital to getting this program to be an annual event.
 - b. Mr. Croyle spoke about the "Day of Serve Us" that took place on Friday, January 19. He introduced the topic with a slideshow from the day which was a collaboration between Jamison and the Bridges at Warwick. Mr. Croyle, Mr. Hottenstein and Mrs. Canales met with the directors at the Bridges to find out what the school could do to help the residents and help the students understand about bringing joy to others.
 - i. Each grade worked on a project that will be delivered to the residents at the Bridges. The projects:
 - Kindergarten made bird feeders from pipe cleaners and cheerios.
 - First and sixth graders worked together to decorate tissue boxes.
 - Second graders decorated Valentine's bags.
 - Third graders made spring wreaths out of paper plates and paper.
 - Fourth graders wrote letters to the residents and created bookmarks. These items will go in the Valentine's bags.
 - Fifth graders made flower pots and paper flowers.
 - ii. Five or six residents came to Jamison on the 19 and spent time with the students.
 - iii. On February 9, fifth graders will deliver the projects to the Bridges. A van will pick up the projects and students will walk over. Students will participate in a read aloud and residents will read to the students.

- Fourth grade may participate in a similar read aloud program at the Bridges in the spring.

III. Parent Education Topic

a. Weather – Mr. Hottenstein

- Mr. Hottenstein spoke briefly about some of his initiatives at Jamison including the boardwalk constructed from wood no longer needed at Tamanend. He recently received his fourth \$1,000 grant from CB Cares (Jamison has been the recipient of five total; one was not a grant applied for by Mr. Hottenstein). Previous grants of \$1,000 each have been for the Strawberry Patch, the Pocket Meadow and the Composting Program.
 - This current grant of \$1,000, “Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs,” enabled Mr. Hottenstein to purchased weather instruments to be used by the fifth grade as they study weather. First graders also study weather and will work alongside fifth graders as appropriate. The fifth graders will host a science fair for the first graders to introduce them to the project.
 - None of the equipment, except one piece, is automated. Fifth graders presented what was purchased and provided a brief explanation of each item. Instruments purchased include a rain gauge, hygrometer, large thermometer, barometer, wet/dry thermometer, high/low temperature thermometer, outdoor thermometer and
 - The fifth graders will be responsible for monitoring and recording the various weather measurements each day.
 - There will be a Friday morning “Weather Watchers” segment on the Jamison Today Show and, possibly, on the website. Mr. Hottenstein did a Skype session with his students and David Murphy of Accuweather so they could learn about doing a weather broadcast. Fifth graders will do a “Weekly Walk Back” segment where they will report on the highs and lows of the week and first graders will present a simplified forecast for the weekend. The green screen will allow the for the use of maps and other weather-related graphics. Mr. Hottenstein showed an example of what these segments will look like.

- Mr. Croyle thanked Mr. Hottenstein and the students for their hard work and the presentation. He spoke briefly about how important it is for kids to be involved and interactive in their learning. It encourages them to come to school and want to be there to learn.

b. Mr. Cerauli – Art Gala

- i. Mr. Croyle spoke briefly about the gala from three years ago and how the format has changed to become a Showcase of the Arts on March 1. He introduced Mr. Cerauli who is head of the committee organizing the evening.
- ii. Mr. Cerauli thanked the HSA for having him at the meeting and passed out the flyer that was sent home a few weeks ago. The flyer can be accessed [here](#).
- iii. Mr. Cerauli explained how the evening will work. Students are asked to arrive fifteen minutes prior to their musical performance time. Mr. Bower is working with the students to sing a couple of songs. Students will sing in three age groups – Grades 1 and 2, Grades 3 and 4, Grades 5 and 6. Mrs. Palmer will be showcasing student art. Families will be able to walk through the building after the musical performances. Mrs. Hartzell is coordinating small musical groups and soloists performing throughout the building.
- iv. There will be water and pretzels for sale. Mr. Cerauli announced that all proceeds from the evening will go to the H.S.A. Mrs. Victor thanked Mr. Cerauli, on behalf of the Board, for considering the H.S.A.
- v. The only cost to the evening is attendees are asked to bring one canned good per person. Over 1,000 cans were donated from the gala three years ago.
- vi. A flyer was sent home on January 24 asking parents to respond about students' attendance. As of January 30, 75%-80% of students were attending.
- vii. Questions about the evening can be addressed to Mr. Cerauli at fcerauli@cbsd.org.

IV. President's Report

a. Bingo Night

- i. Bingo is on February 2 at 6:45pm. Doors open at 6:30pm. The cost is \$10 per family and concessions are \$1 per item.

- ii. Most of the prizes this year are experiences, many of which have been donated by local businesses. Some of the prizes include passes to Sky Zone, bowling, and Hellerick's rope course.
- b. HSA Executive Board Open Positions
 - i. Q&A
 - Mrs. Victor has a hand out regarding the open positions.
 - a. Jamison's HSA is an all-volunteer organization, which thrives on the contribution of time our families have made to support to support our efforts. Over the next 1-1 ½ years we will be losing several of our HSA Executive Board members as their children move on to middle school. Unfortunately, over the past couple of years, it has become increasingly challenging to fill those positions.
 - i. We are seeking parents to fill the following Board/Committee positions:
 1. President (Board position) – Mrs. Victor spoke briefly about her responsibilities which include overseeing the Board and events, ensuring things run smoothly with committees.
 2. Treasurer (Board position) – Mrs. DiEmidio explained some of her duties which include receiving funds, paying bills/receipts, working with TD Bank, and using PTO Manager software to maintain the budget.
 3. Vice President (Board position) – Assist the president as needed. Oversee various committees and ensure their programs run smoothly.
 4. Committee Chair (Father Daughter Dance) – Run all aspects of the annual event.
 5. Committee Chair (Yearbook) – Run all aspects of producing and ordering.

- Questions were asked and answered regarding time commitments for the varying positions, as well as challenges faced in getting new volunteers.

V. Treasurer's Report

- a. There is \$13,315 in the account as of January 30.

VI. Vice Presidents/Committee Reports

a. Yearbook Orders

- i. The yearbook order form will come home in the Wednesday folders soon. The cost is \$22 per book. Sixth graders receive them for free from the HSA.

b. Father/Daughter Dance

- i. The annual event is on March 24 from 7:00pm-9:00pm and the theme is masquerade. Families can register through My Payments Plus at a cost of \$12 per person.

c. BoxTop Incentive Contest

- i. There will be a contest to celebrate the 100th day of school on February 9. Any class that collects 100 BoxTops by that date will be entered in a drawing for recess with Mr. Croyle.
- ii. BoxTops just sent a check for \$1,000 from the first part of the year.

d. JetWear

- i. 20th Anniversary shirts will be on sale at a cost of \$10 per shirt until February 9. Mr. Croyle mentioned that some of the former staff had asked about getting a shirt when they attended the anniversary assembly. Shirts can be ordered [here](#).

e. Spring BookFair

- i. The spring book fair, our Buy One, Get One fair, will run from Tuesday, May 1 through Friday May 4. Family night will be on Thursday, May 3 from 6:00pm-8:00pm.

f. Dine and Donate

- i. Mrs. Muldoon is working to schedule a dine and donate at the Jamison Pour House for April and an evening at the Speedway in Horsham for May.

VII. New Business

VIII. Old Business Updates

IX. Announcements

X. Adjournment at 10:11am