JPAC MEETING NOTES

Tuesday, September 9, 2025, 6:30pm

In Attendance: Shannon Blasy, Jefferson Principal

Katie Condon, JPAC President Tonya Lambert, Jefferson teacher

Sarah Hamilton, JPAC Vice-President Leslie Dean, JPAC Treasurer

Leslie Hamel, JPAC Secretary

Amanda Irwin, parent Jenn Boehm, parent Shawna Ruple, parent

Jenn Boehm, The Rock

Emily Brown, parent

Principal's Report:

Great start to the year! **PBIS** (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) has been implemented, and results are showing! In addition, we are continuing our **PAWS** awards for 6th, 7th, 8th grade students, as well as staff for demonstrating respectful, kind, safe and caring behaviors throughout the week. Paws awardees have their names read over the announcements, turn in their Paws cards to the office, and have a chance at having their name drawn for a prize (gift cards such as Starbucks, Panera, Dairy Queen, Target, Jimmy Johns, etc). We are hoping to share pictures of our weekly Paws winners in our newsletter – keep your eyes out for the next Husky Happenings!

- Staff says Thank You to JPAC for PD Treats, Popcorn, Coffee and Staff Shirts!
- Popcorn Fridays: Treasurer will write \$150 check to JMS for 2025-2026 staff popcorn.

President's Report:

- 1. **Teacher Request** for Funds Tonya Lambert, Jefferson Learning Coach, \$3,500. Mrs. Lambert submitted a request for 200 choice reading books to support SSR (Sustained Silent Reading) in each 4th hour elective and math classes, ideally books related to the content of each class in some way. JPAC votes to approve the request by first using our accumulated "Scholastic Dollars and Points" via Scholastic Book Fair. Whatever books cannot be purchased via Scholastic can be re-assessed by JPAC for purchase approval.
- 2. **Guest** Jennifer Boehm, from The Rock, afterschool community program. Mrs. Boehm shared new program offerings that The Rock will be offering this year for Jefferson parents and families including programming on **half days** and **snow days**, and utilizing The Rock's space at the Midland Mall. The Rock will also start monthly Friday evening programming for Jefferson students including "glow nights," Halloween events, etc. The Rock will begin to share program info on our Jefferson facebook page as well.
- 3. Parent Teacher Conference, Thursday October 2, JPAC sponsors a "SOUPer" Dinner for Staff. Parent volunteers needed. Set-up 3-4pm. Reduce the amount of salad (or veggies?) from last year. Sarah will send out SignUp Genius.

- 4. We have several **OPEN POSITIONS** that need to be filled by **new parent volunteers** which include
 - Restaurant Night coordinator
 - Concessions coordinator
 - Ski Day coordinator (Monday, February 23, 2026 @ Caberfae Peaks in Cadillac)
- 5. So far we have a few **restaurant nights** already scheduled:
 - October 22, Buffalo Wild Wing's
 - November 26, Panda Express
 - Grand Traverse Pie, December 19 Sarah to contact GT to request this date.
- 6. COOKIE DAY! Wednesday December 10, 2025. SignUpGenius for parents to volunteer to bake (or purchase) cookies and holiday treats for staff. Katie to check Husky closet for silverware, plates, bowls and see what we already have from last year.
- 7. **Spirit Wear.** Discussion regarding pricing and color options of spirit wear store. Vote to offer more options at lower prices/1 color in addition to our usual full-color logo wear. Spirit wear will open Monday September 15 and close Sunday October 5, 11:59pm. Leslie H will share link from Sandlot Sports for next newsletter and website. Suggestion was made to inquire if Sandlot Sports would be willing to come on-site during Parent-Teacher conference evening to sell merchandise - possible location in lobby area or outside. Additional suggestion was made to see if a QR code for our fall store would be available to post around the school during conferences so parents can shop while they wait in teacher lines.
- 8. Book Fair. Fall Scholastic Book Fair is Monday September 29 Friday October 3 also **DURING CONFERENCES**. Set-Up in library Friday September 26. During school days, book fair will run 7:30am – 2:55pm. Leslie H will coordinate with Sarah Wolfe on distributing flyers to ELA teachers. SignUp Genius will be created for Book Fair parent volunteers. Begin announcing book fair Mon. 9/15 including Newsletter information regarding E-Wallets for parents. Leslie H will email Tonya Lambert our Scholastic account information so she can start shopping for books for her Request.

Leslie D shares proposed 2025 – 2026 budget. Vote to approve budget. Vote approved. Treasurer's Report:

1. Discussion regarding Membership Toolkit. Sarah will cancel Membership Toolkit renewal which will save JPAC a yearly expense of \$450. Instead, try to utilize our new JPAC webpage via the Jefferson homepage as well as connect each week with Sarah Wolfe and include JPAC's updates in the 'Husky Happenings.' Hopefully reach more

parents and streamline information.

Other Business:

- 2. Leslie D will inquire to see if we can remove/close the old Jefferson facebook page so it isn't confused with our new page. The current & correct page is "Parents of JMS Huskies (unofficial)".
- 3. Discussion regarding future staff 'Request for Funds.' Suggestion was made for a request deadline vs. rolling requests. Mrs. Blasy suggests sending staff a reminder about Request for Funds process.
- 4. Put a hold on Teacher Lunchroom Remodel project until Summer 2026.

Meeting Adjourned. Minutes submitted, Leslie Hamel, 9/10/25

NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday, October 14, 2025 @ Pizza Sam's downtown Midland.