



JCPA Meeting Minutes - September 16, 2021

- Prayer
- Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Committee Reports:
 - Finance & Budget Report - Courtney Westermeyer - A copy of the budget was provided to all in attendance. Reviewed budget line items from 2020-2021 school year. Some of the larger things the JCPA provided last school year included teacher appreciation gifts, funding for after-prom/senior gifts, and a gift to the school for the new wellness/fitness room. Our current starting balance for the 2021-2022 school year is \$22,452.04.
 - Faculty Appreciation - Tracy Shirk - Due to covid, last year's faculty appreciation from the JCPA included gift cards and boxed lunches for the faculty and staff. This year, during the second week of school, gourmet cookies were given to all faculty and staff. We will be looking for more ways to show our appreciation for our wonderful faculty and staff this school year. Ideas are welcomed!
 - Concessions - Ginger Miller - This has been going well so far, and concessions have been busy during games. Most of the JCPA's involvement is in stocking the supplies for concessions. If anyone would like to help with stocking, please reach out to Ginger Miller.
 - Special Events 2021-2022 –
 - Rally in the Valley Wine Festival - Oct. 9 - Courtney Westermeyer - This is an adults wine event held at Boordy Vineyards. There are still sponsorship opportunities available for anyone interested. All parents are encouraged to attend and enjoy an evening of socializing. Each class level is asked to contribute to gift baskets (see weekly Patriot update for more info).
 - Christmas Bazaar - Nov. 27 - Karol Manner-Dyess - To be held at JC 10a-3p. We are looking for a new chair/co-chair to shadow Karol this year and take on leadership of the bazaar for next year. Please consider, as new chair/co-chair would be taking on a well-established event. Several vendors have been secured, but we still need more. Please reach out to anyone you know that would like to participate as a vendor for the bazaar. Cost for vendor is \$75.

- After Prom Party - Apr. 30 - To be held at Arena Club. Mr. Hensley is in charge of coordinating the event, along with JCPA. JCPA is looking for someone to take on a leadership role for this, and we also need some parents to work at the event. It's a late night and a fun event for all.
- Spring Fundraiser - March 19 - Rock 'n Bowl - Forest Hill Lanes - This will be an adults-only event for socializing and fund-raising. Sponsorship opportunities will be available. We are in the beginning planning stages now, and would love to have some parents join the committee. More details to come.
- Featured Presenter: Mr. Patton, Principal and Chief Academic Officer Spoke about the joyful start to the year, the sense of community here at JC, and the positive energy on campus. He has been working with the SGA to ensure that the students are able to have as many events and opportunities as possible this school year. The school is working on renovating science labs, and other improvement projects. Mr. Patton welcomes parents to call, visit, or email any time they have questions, concerns, ideas, etc.
- Parent Mentor Update - Kathy Walsh - Parent mentors have been reaching out to parents of freshman and transfer students. If you have not heard from your parent mentor yet, please let Kathy know. Also, new parent mentors are always welcomed!
- Admissions Report - Kathy Walsh - Open House is Oct. 30. There will be two sessions: 10a-12p and 1p-3p. We will need parents to help welcome prospective students and families. Student tour guides are also needed. Shadow Days are being scheduled and dates are filling up quickly. Any student who is interested in being a shadow host should let Kathy Walsh or Caroline Adolph know.
- Parent Ambassadors and Fund for John Carroll - Susan Roarty - Parent Ambassadors from each grade level were identified. Their bios were in last week's weekly Patriot update. The Fund for John Carroll is generated through donations, and it is used to fund various initiatives at JC, including athletics, arts programs, extracurricular programs, tuition assistance, and scholarships, etc. During Patriot Day last school year, \$52,000 were raised in one day, with most donations below \$1000. Susan shared that small donations lead to big donations. When the Advancement Office applies for grant money for JC, the grant providers want to know what the parent and community involvement/investment has been. The more people who participate, no matter the amount of the gift/donation, the more evidence there is for strong parent/community investment in the school. The JC football team was able to raise \$25,000 in two weeks by requesting donations of \$19.64 to commemorate the school's opening year of 1964. Please consider participating in the Fund for John Carroll!
- Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 13 at 7:00pm - Learning Commons

Meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month. Upcoming meetings will be November 10, and December 8.

Attendance

Tracy Shirk, President

Katie Jenkins, Vice President

Courtney Westermeyer, Treasurer

Melissa Moloney

Nancy Patterson

Jaime Sobieralski

Katrina Stephenson

Kim Davis

Chandra Schaub

Susan Roarty

Kerry Heimerl

Kristen Fitch

Sarah Greco

Hillary Smolenski

Jaime Bonincontri

Ginger Miller

Carol Tasel

Kim Suskowicz

Rhonda Friscia

Vanessa Obrey

Mia Healy

Debbie Smith

Raisa Supan