

James John PTA September General Meeting 10/16/24

Attendees: Lauren Rosenthal, Cambria Olsen, Olivia Madlock, Tammy Correa, Laura Kurtz, Martin Kennedy, Jonny Savoie, Courtney Savoie, Katie Keller, Amy Gallucci, Perla Sitcov, Alex Newman, Kaylin Kustuv, Michelle Beckett, Otto, Jack, Laura, Jen and Angela,

Advocacy:

Otto talked about measure 118 www.OCPP.org for more info. Speaker spoke against the tax.

Budget Vote: new budget for 24-25 with some streamlined adjustments. Motion to approve budget: Laura Kurtz Second: Tammy Correa. Passed unanimously

Note: 21,000 income with 36,000 expenses so we need some fundraising and grants! Major expenses include Grow Portland Educators we are hoping to get a grant or fundraise for.

Fundraising- merch sales, spring plant sale, winter craft fair and bake sale, restaurant nights, monthly can drives during ground clean up (first friday of every month with your cans after school!)
Blue bags are in the office.

Announcements::

- We have an open position for VP if you want to do it!
- We need lunch duty volunteers to come stand in the cafeteria and help school staff during lunch. It's a fun and nice way to help out and get to know more kids. Also looking for outside help volunteers too. Check in with the front office or call Nicole if you want to volunteer.
- Helping hands is a volunteer program where teachers can put their projects (things that need to be cut, stapled, copied, etc) in a bucket in the staff lounge and helpers can come get some of their work done. Parents can sign up for a time slot and go and help out with the work.
- Winter craft fair and bake sale. Email craftfair@jamesjohnpta.org will put the QR code on the website to sign up.
- Tammy (Membership coordinator) announced you might be getting contacted for helping out with things you have signed up for so fyi :)
- Halloween festivities! Saturday, October 26 is the downtown boosters trick or treat event. We are gonna have a merch table on the playground so come by.
- October 31st is spirit day so kids can dress up.
- Trunk or Treat will be at bachelors club 4-5 pm halloween.
- Login in to google and leave a good review!
- Olivia Matlock announced some good news! James John is hiring another 1st grade teacher to reduce class sizes. Thanks to Kaylin for