



2020-2021 Board Members:

Co-President - Anna Cottle, Co-President - Charlotte Robinson, Vice President- Michelle Hudson, Treasurer- Chris Robinson, Secretary - Makaria Zolbe, Volunteer Coordinator- Jennifer Colbert, Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Katie Harless, Fundraising Ambassador- Disty Simpson, Teacher Appreciation- Mariana Llanos, Ex Officio- Deidre Love Sullens.

Attendees:

Anna Cottle, Charlotte Robinson, Deidre Sullens, Katie Harless, Deidre Sullens, Casey Yates, Jennifer Colbert, Patty Balenseifen, Christina Byrne.

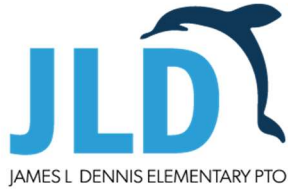
Meeting Minutes

I. Meeting called to Order:

- a. Anna Cottle called the meeting to order at 7:02pm
- b. Welcome, greeting and introduction of attendees on the meeting.

II. Agenda Items/Updates:

- a. Teacher appreciation week is this week. Thank you to Mariana for getting this organized!
 - i. PTO Provided the following for Teacher Appreciation week:
 - May 3: Donuts!
 - May 4: Sonic Drinks
 - May 5: Lunch from *Let's Do Greek – virtual learning day*
 - May 6: Dessert Day (parent volunteer bringing their best homemade or store-bought desserts to Teachers' lounge by 10am)
 - May 7: Goodies for Teachers (Delivery of special goodie bags)
 - ii. Social Media and Newsletter Teacher Appreciation theme efforts were also sent to help get the kids involved. Katie Harless mentioned that the themed days have been nice. The flowers on Monday and the notes today are special.
- b. A Special teacher lunch effort is happening every Wednesday. Thank you to Jennifer Colbert for organizing this. The teachers are loving this!!!
- c. T-Shirt Design Contest: Makaria has picked up designs from students and we got a lot of great ones! She will begin organizing judges and we will announce



winners once process is complete. Top 3 student designs will all get recognized with a prize/trophy.

- d. 5th grade Graduation: PTO will be purchasing the AM/FM Radio Transmitter for use with graduation. Chris Robinson is handling this. The 5th grade parents are covering planning the graduation party itself.
- e. Super Kids Day is happening on the 21st – the last Friday before school is out. This is being arranged and executed by the school. Anna will check with Mrs. White to see if she needs any help with snacks or volunteers that day. We understand there are special limitations to visitation and district rules in place but will let her know we are here to help if at all needed.
- f. Dolphin Splash Note: We had to skip it this year due to the pandemic. It usually happens in the Fall, after school starts back, but we already know for the 2021-2022 School Year... Mrs. White has said Dolphin Splash will need to be postponed. It may happen in the spring, but that must be played by ear. We are waiting on the district to allow activities again and just can't know what next year looks like quite yet.
- g. Dining with Dolphins efforts have suffered this year due to the pandemic. Our arrangement with *The Garage* is still on hold while they try to survive the decline in business. Jennifer said she had reached out just to see if they'd give a discount for one of the Wednesday meals and they didn't seem very willing to work with us. Anna and Deidre echoed how often we've reached out to them to try and restart our monthly DWD nights (even if just curbside) but we haven't been able to rekindle the relationship yet. We used Canes and What-a-burger in the past, but would love to see more restaurants in the mix and dates on the calendar for next year. The income from these events, even small amounts, are so helpful.
- h. Miscellaneous Notes:
 - i. Deidre asked if we had any information about Box Tops – even though the earning this year is very small we advertised the classroom who raised the most funds through Box Tops would get a Sno-cone party. Charlotte will check with our box tops admin Brooke Corntassel to see.
 - ii. Question posted about what PTO usually does at end of the year for teachers, if anything. Deidre mentioned it all depended on the Teacher Appreciation budget. School is out on a Thursday, but teachers are there for a professional day that Friday and that's a great day to do something if we have the funds, eg, Sonic Drinks, Brunch. Previously, Allison Patty did a pancake bar (IHOP). Ideas were shared - Casey asked about Babble's



involvement this year. She's up there a lot and has a relationship with Tuan now. Anna asked if she could find out what it would cost to provide the teacher's drinks on that last day next time she visits. Patty mentioned Coffee Junction & that she could get us a coffee truck vendor list from ones they've had visit at the district! (Thank you Patty! Thank you Casey!)

III. Nominating and Voting for the 2021-2022 JLD PTO Board Member positions:

- a. We are lucky to have willingness of many this year's board to serve on next year's board. However, the current Co-presidents and Treasurer are stepping down. Nominations, Motions and Voting Proceeded as follows:
- i. Deidre Sullens nominated Jennifer Colbert for President – motion presented. Motion seconded by Anna Cottle. Vote was passed unanimously 9 of 9. Jennifer Colbert shall be added to the JLD PTO bank account at Banc First as a signer and card holder. This is a required and intrinsic step, necessary for new officers to do business on behalf of the James L Dennis Parent Teacher Organization.
 - ii. Deidre Sullens nominated Cristina Byrne for Treasurer– motion presented. Motion seconded by Anna Cottle. Vote was passed unanimously 9 of 9. Cristina shall be added to the JLD PTO bank account at Banc First as a signer and card holder, replacing Chris Robinson. This is a required and intrinsic step, necessary for new officers to do business on behalf of the James L Dennis Parent Teacher Organization.
 - iii. Deidre Sullens nominated Michelle Hudson Vice President– motion presented. Motion seconded by Anna Cottle. Vote was passed unanimously 9 of 9. Michelle shall be added to the JLD PTO bank account as a card holder.
 - iv. Charlotte Robinson nominated Makaria Zolbe for Secretary– motion presented. Motion seconded by Deidre Sullens. Vote was passed unanimously 9 of 9.
 - v. Charlotte Robinson nominated Mariana Llanos Lopez de Castilla for Teacher Appreciation Chair - Motion presented. Motion seconded by Anna Cottle. Vote was passed unanimously 9 of 9. Thank you, Mariana, for continuing in this role!
 - vi. Charlotte Robinson nominated Katie Harless as Homeroom Parent Coordinator. Motion presented. Motion seconded by Anna Cottle. Vote was passed unanimously 9 of 9.
- b. SUMMARY:
- i. Elected JLD PTO Executive Board Members for the 2021-2022 School Year:
Jennifer Colbert – President
Michelle Hudson – Vice President



Cristina Byrne - Treasurer

Makaria Zolbe – Secretary

Mariana Llanos Lopes de Castilla – Teacher Appreciation

Katie Harless – Homeroom Parent Coordinator

- ii. Anna Cottle and Charlotte Robinson reserve the position of Ex Officio as desired. Deidre Sullens intends to continue as webmaster and assisting with online communications and MTK. Other positions remain open, i.e.- Fundraising Ambassador, Volunteer Coordinator & Teacher Liaison. *(Katie Harless will accept the role of Teacher Liaison if Renita doesn't already have someone else in mind. Anna will check.)* Committee chairs will need to be filled this summer/beginning of next year, including the chairs for: Popcorn Friday, Box Tops, PTO Stem Lab Activities, Dolphin Splash co-chairs, Heath & Safety, Smoothie Day, Food Drive, CareShare, Santa Store, Dolphin Ball & Boys Event.

IV. Closing:

- a. Gift card Door Prize Drawing done by Anna Cottle. Winner – Cristina Byrne!!! Congrats Cristina!
- b. Meeting Adjourned 7:39pm.

Summary of Actionable Items:

Action Item	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
Deliver gift card to Winner – Cristina Byrne.	Anna Cottle	ASAP	In progress
Check with Renita about volunteer or item needs for Super Kids Day & if there's anyone in mind for Teacher Liaison. + See what schedule would be available for the asphalt painting this summer and what project plan approval is needed to move forward.	Anna Cottle	ASAP	In progress
5 th grade graduation radio transmitter purchase.	Chris Robinson	ASAP	In Progress



Member Meeting Minutes

Date: 5/4/2021 at 7pm CST
 Location: Virtual Zoom Session

Check with Tuan at Babble to see how much it would cost to provide drinks for 53 teachers on the professional day after school is out.	Casey Yates	This week	In Progress
Check with Brooke Corntassel to see if we have any Box Top classroom stats to name a winner of the sno-cone party.	Charlotte	ASAP	In Progress
Position Transitioning - President	Charlotte/Anna/Jennifer	Beginning this month	Pending
Position Transitioning - Treasurer	Chris Robinson/Cristina Byrne	Beginning this month	Pending
End of Year Treasurer Report	Chris Robinson	5/30/2021	Pending
Asphalt Painting	Renita White	?	Pending
2020 Color Run Incentive Make Up	Deidre Sullens	ASAP	Pending

Notes Taken by Deidre Love Sullens (EO) on 5/4/2021.