



JFK PTSO MEETING MINUTES June 11, 2026, 7:00pm

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by President, Melissa Miller

★★★★ Member Spotlight ★★★★★

- **Lindsey Gazzara**

Thank YOU for introducing your family and for your support! Follow our Facebook page to learn more about these amazing families! <https://www.facebook.com/JFKPTSO>

💰 Treasurer's Report 💰

- General Account: \$14,748.18
- Raffle Account: \$11,936.89
- Savings/Playground Account: \$17,148.59
 - Dr. Hajduk is looking into our students' interests as to what would be an appropriate addition to our playground for the future. Please feel free to e-mail him if you have any ideas.
- Square Clearing Account: \$0
- Total All Accounts: \$43,833.66

👛 Old Business 👛

- Financial
 - Teacher Appreciation Week - \$1,184.48 expense (including generous donations from Kennedy families and local vendors)
 - May Donut Sale - \$180.00 profit
 - May School Store - \$151.00 profit
 - Spring Concert - \$11.82 expense (after supply costs & appreciation gifts)
 - Angelina's Dine Out - \$126.45 profit
 - Rita's Dine Out - \$43.95 profit from prize wheel, plus \$109.00 profit check
 - Fun & Fitness Day- ice pops and ice - \$70.60 expense
 - Tattoo a Staff Member - \$1,256.00 raised (for playground fund). This plus Student Council candy gram funds will pay for the gaga pit floor in the new year.
 - Day of Service: Children's Tumor Foundation - \$815.00 raised
 - EOY Family BBQ event - \$1,835.00 SPEA grant (pending reimbursement) + \$853.41 PTSO expense
 - Lip Sync Battle event - pending \$350 SPEA grant reimbursement
 - 3rd Grade Grandparent Breakfast - pending \$500 SPEA grant reimbursement
 - 2025 - 2026 total year sales
 - Pretzel & Donut sale - \$1,425.70 profit (discrepancy from May financial report)
 - Dine Outs - \$1,372.40 profit
 - School Store - \$1,060 profit
 - Birthday messages on electronic sign - \$640 profit (as of 5/22)
- Events
 - Kindergarten Get Acquainted Program
 - Event was on June 1, 2026
 - Parents received helpful information while students learned about bus safety. All families enjoyed a tour of the school
 - Thank you to the volunteers who helped!
 - Thank you to the fourth grade students who gave speeches and tours of the school.
 - Scholastic Book Fair
 - Thank you to the volunteers from Kennedy and the Senior Center who helped run this activity!

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- End of Year BBQ
 - This event was enjoyed by many families (Close to 300 guests attended!)
 - We invested in several reusable activities for future years
 - To continue events like this we encourage committee support from our members
 - Thank you to the volunteers who helped with this event!

New Business

- Financial
 - Please contact us if you require reimbursement for any events!
 - SPSHS graduating senior scholarships - awarding two (2) \$500 scholarships. Congrats to MaKenzie Harris and Madelyn Corsello
- Current/Upcoming Fundraisers
 - 4th Grade grad signs - sales continue. \$181.20 profit to date
 - Yearbooks
 - 4th Graders will receive for Signing Party on Friday, June 12
 - Remainder of students will receive after this date
 - Thank you to Natalie Manfre who has coordinated School Picture Days and the Yearbook for several years now. We appreciate your dedication and wish your family luck at Grant!
 - Summer Birthday Messages
 - Please remember we need all messages to be submitted AT LEAST 2 weeks in advance
 - If your child has a summer birthday please consider scheduling it ASAP
 - Somerset Patriots Games on 7/10
- 2026-2027 Board Positions
 - Confirmed as voted upon at May 2026 Member Meeting
 - President Emeritus* - Melissa Miller
 - VP Emeritus* Fundraising - Jenn Mondano
 - VP Events - Dawn Fischer
 - Treasurer Emeritus* - Dan Chin
 - Asst. Treasurer - Amy Weitz
 - Corresponding Secretary - Nicole Englehardt
 - Nominations to be voted upon at June 2026 Member Meeting
 - Recording Secretary - Amanda Santacroe
 - Voting Results: All in favor - Welcome, Amanda!
 - Newly Proposed Board Position
 - Community Connections Secretary
 - Please let us know if you would like to be nominated
 - Official election at Membership Meeting on August 13
 - Assigned Tasks: Coordinating Dine-Outs, Community Volunteers, and Sponsors
 - Current Nominee(s): Jeanine Ponisi
 - Adoption of New By Laws
 - [Review By Laws for Amendment to Membership Criteria](#)
 - Current language: "Only members in good standing of this organization shall be eligible to participate in its business meetings or serve in any of its elected or appointed positions."
 - Proposed revision: "Only members in good standing of this organization shall be eligible to participate in its business meetings or serve in any of its elected or appointed positions. A member in good standing is defined as an individual with an active PTSO membership for the current school year. Those current Kennedy families who have paid the Family Membership PTSO fee for the current school year are considered active members. And only members in good standing of this organization shall be eligible to serve as class parents and/or field trip chaperones in a given school year."

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- Forms
 - Review Funding or Donation Request Form > [here](#) (standing item)
 - Mrs. McNamee - book shelf for staff lounge to share books - will follow up with ideas when dimensions are received.
 - Review Event & Fundraiser Suggestion Form > [here](#)
 - If you have an idea, please know that the summer is a great time to share it with us. Many events require advanced planning and space reservations. The sooner you can present an idea, the easier it will be for us to try out!
- Upcoming events
 - Somerset Patriots Game - Friday 7/10
 - Summer Membership Meeting - Thursday, August 13 @ 7:00 pm
 - 2026-27 Open House TBD
 - Chalk the Walk - Monday, September 1 (Projected Date)
 - First Day of School - Tuesday, September 2 (This is BEFORE Labor Day)
 - [Link to next year's calendar](#) - Please review as there are several changes from this year.

Class Field Trips - Expenses

Grade	Date	Location	Cost	Busing
K	5/8	Crayola Factory	\$555.82	\$800.00
1	5/5	Monmouth Museum	\$540.00	\$800.00
2 Klimchak Hearne	5/15	Turtle Back Zoo	\$1,515.00	\$800.00
3	5/27	Somerset Patriots	\$1,560.00	\$750.00
4	5/13	Jenkinsons Aquarium	\$635.00	\$800.00

Upcoming Events (May - July): Seeking volunteers for highlighted events

6/12/2026	school hours	4th Grade graduation yearbook party (4th grade parents)
7/10/2026	Gates open @6pm, game time: 7:05pm	Somerset Patriots Game
8/13/2026/	7:00 (Virtual Only)	Summer Membership Meeting
August TBD	TBD	Open House - School Kidz Kits Available in Classrooms
9/2/2026	8:45	First Day of School

Have a REFRESHING SUMMER! Thank you for your support this school year. Best wishes to our 4th Graders and their families. We hope you have a wonderful time at Grant School. We are all so proud of the caring, creative, intelligent individuals you have become!