

Minutes for Shidler JOM Parent Committee Meeting
Date Held: August 28, 2024

The following were present for the JOM Parent Committee Meeting on July 31, 2024:

Jessica Asher, Cara Crabtree, Megan Collom, Josie Fowler, Amanda Rogers, Jaclyn Sheppard, Carol Sonnickson, and Melissa Vap

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

The previous meeting minutes dated 7/31/24 were reviewed. Motion to approve made by Amanda Rogers, seconded by Cara Crabtree. Motion Carried.

There was no Treasurer's Report as the award letter has not been received yet.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Dinner - It was decided to focus on the dinner as the main JOM event held this year.
 - Honorees: A discussion was held suggesting the seniors.
 - Jessica Asher volunteered to obtain the JOM student list and mark which are seniors.
 - Date/Time Frame: The committee decided the best time frame to hold the dinner is near the end of the school year. It was also decided to hold the dinner at the school if approved.
 - Jaclyn Sheppard volunteered to speak with Mr. Rogers about available dates and approval.
 - Food: Jaclyn Sheppard & Amanda Rogers volunteered to check with Avis about potential cooks as JOM directly paid the ones hired for other schools' dinners.
 - Venture foods also has a JOM charge account for purchasing the food for the dinner.
 - Awards: The committee decided the award should include a gift card in addition to a plaque.
 - The amount of the gift card will be determined based on awarded funds available.
 - Amanda Rogers is looking into possible costs of different style awards or plaques.
- Native Heritage Month – November
 - The committee expressed interest in holding a cultural day on the instructional Friday of the month, November 22nd.
 - Possibly hold a mini pow wow that day.
 - Contact needs to be made with Storm Brave about the possibility of doing something similar to the event, held last year
 - Suggestion: ask local dancers to volunteer for it.
 - It was agreed that it would be good to have both the Osage and the Kaw tribes involved. Inclusion of the Ponca tribe was also suggested.

- Formal decision needs to be made for moving forward with a mini pow wow.
- The committee was supportive of having informational posters on various tribes displayed around the school for the month.
 - Jessica Asher plans to have her middle school students research the tribes represented by the students at the school and create the posters as an assignment.
- Also, holding a coloring contest for ages Prek-5th, and an Art Contest for age ranges of 6th-8th & 9th-12th was discussed.
 - Simple treat-based prizes would be awarded to the winners of the elementary.
 - The middle & high school winners would be awarded a small gift card.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Information Shared on Benefits Available to JOM Students:
 - Tutoring.com offers free tutoring through the Osage Nation
 - An ACT prep class is also offered.
 - The Osage Nation also holds a science fair.
 - Wyatt Asher took his junior high students to the science fair last year, and plans to take them again this year. His classes are already planning their projects.
- Targets/Goals for the 2025/2026 School Year:
 - The Committee would like to have a more active advertisement of JOM, potentially setting up at the Meet the Teacher Night before the beginning of the next school year.
 - There is funding possible for financial assistance for the purchase of athletic gear or caps & gowns for seniors. The committee discussed having parameters for students to receive the assistance – possibly attending at minimum 2 meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- The next meeting was set for September 18, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Shidler High School Library.

ADJOURNMENT:

- A motion to adjourn was made by Carol Sonnicksen, seconded by Amanda Rogers. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

SIGNED:

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Jaclyn Sheppard
Chairperson

X

Amanda Rogers
Vice-Chairperson

X

Melissa Vap
Treasurer

X

Megan Collo m
Secretary

X

Jessica Asher
Member

X

Cara Crabtree
Member

X

Josie Fowler
Member

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Carol Sonnicksen
Member