

Thomas Jefferson Raider Parent Movement Supporting the 4As at Thomas Jefferson High School

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TJRPM General Meeting Monday, May 13, 2024, TJHS Culinary Room

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Uma Selvarajah, Treasurer, noted our fiscal year is from July 2023 to June 2024. RPM's balance is \$44,935.07; Group balance is \$159,012.45. There are some remaining expenditures yet to record, including the large amounts to be paid for scholarships in May and June. RPM is projected to finish the year with a near break-even net bottom line.

<u>Principal's Report:</u> Principal Rush noted Seniors have many upcoming activities in the next few weeks: Senior meeting to discuss requirements, Senior breakfast, walking the elementary schools in their cap and gowns, and Senior Celebration which will include an award ceremony and a hypnotist in the theater. That evening, parents will also be able to attend a meeting to review Senior protocol for graduation.

The AANHPI will be hosting a celebration on Friday. In June, the Smarter Balanced Assessment testing will begin.

TJHS will host the summer school program along with a physical and vaccine clinic in July.

Sports Report: Girl's Softball is in the playoffs! Tennis is now in post season while Track is participating in Districts.

Scholarship Report: Justin Baas received a list from Joy Dickson of all the students who have been awarded scholarships.

<u>Teacher Appreciation:</u> It was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who contributed by cooking, volunteering, donating or all the above, it was truly appreciated by the TJ Staff and RPM committee lead. Next year RPM hopes to host one full day of breakfast, coffee, lunch, and desserts with the hopes it will be easier for people to volunteer. Coley reminded RPM that ASB students are available to help with tasks like this and will be utilized next year, too.

Board Members: A motion was made, a second and unanimously in favor to approve the below nominees for incoming officers:

<u>Exiting Board Officers:</u> President, Denisha Saucedo; Treasurers, Nichole Becker and Uma Selvarajah; and Secretary, Carina Cline.

<u>Incoming Board Officers:</u> President, Tara Zuehl; Co-President, Justin Baas; Treasurer, Carina Cline; and Secretary, Sonja Kropp. Rhonda Widger approved to remain another term as Vice President.

<u>Budget:</u> The 2024/2025 operating draft budget was presented and reviewed by Tara Zuehl, incoming President. There are increases in several line items as RPM will be in a rebuilding phase after the overturn of the scheduled

closure. The last few years have been conservative due to school closure (Pandemic) and lack of participation. RPM wants to build on the new, energized momentum and focus on expanding and building its presence; one way by gifting more grants throughout TJ programs.

A motion was made, a second and unanimously in favor to approve the 2024/2024 operating budget.

Amended By-Laws: Incoming President, Tara Zuehl presented the proposed amended by-laws pointing out specific changes. 1) Article VII b – Monies, moving forward, will now require active group representation for RPM meetings. This is needed to create collaboration between RPM and the groups, and necessary for RPM to grow and flourish. This creates written accountability. Active Representation is defined by 80% attendance requirement (4 out of 5 meetings minimum) and paid membership. If it is known the meeting will be missed, the liaison/representative should find a substitute to attend in their place. School related conflicts with general meetings may be unavoidable and will not be held against active representation for applicable group when communicated via email/phone within a week of the missed meeting. 2) Students will now be invited to join the RPM as active and engaged members. The by-laws do notate, students are unable to fulfill the role of a representative/liaison for a group and will have no financial responsibilities nor accessibility to monies.

The amended By-laws were reviewed and discussed. A motion was made, a second was received; all were in favor approving the amended by-laws for immediate execution. Incoming officers signed the amended by-laws and current Treasurers will handle the appropriate filings.

<u>Draft Calendar:</u> RPM meetings are scheduled; the remaining calendar dates will be filled in as they are solidified. <u>General Meetings will be on:</u>

- September 16, 2024
- November 18, 2024
- January 20, 2025 (noted that this is a holiday and replacement date will be forthcoming)
- March 17, 2025
- May 19, 2025

<u>Secretary Report:</u> Secretary, Carina Cline presented the minutes from the general meeting on March 18, 2024. No modifications or changes were heard. A motion was made to approve as presented, second received and all were in favor to approve the minutes for filing.

Meeting adjourned at 7 pm. /cc