

JEPTA Meeting Minutes

Johnstown Elementary PTA

May 11, 2026

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Location: Pleasant Avenue Elementary School

Time: 3:02 PM

Attendees

Jamie Sedal-Ammann, Natasha Allen, Ashley Valik, Katie Warner, Kristin Michaels, Siobhan Wood, Julia Barringer, Jacklyn Whitman, Sarah Murphy

Zoom Attendees

Nicole Panton, Amanda Bunker, Jill Bulger

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by the President at 3:02 PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Secretary's Report

The April 2026 meeting notes have been posted to the website. The May 2026 notes will be posted following this meeting.

Motion to approve: Natasha Allen

Seconded by: Ashley Valik

IV. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report presented.

Motion to approve: Katie Warner

Seconded by: Julia Barringer

V. Principal Reports

Nicole Panton – Knox

Upcoming events include:

- Wizards Basketball Presentation
- Dodgeball Tournament
- Spring Concerts
- Kick It Up at Knox
- Track Meet & Ice Cream Truck Celebration
- Several field trips and transition days

Kristin Michaels – Pleasant Avenue

Recent and upcoming events include:

- Staff Appreciation Week activities
- Jeff Boyer Bubble Assembly
- Transportation Day
- First Grade Transition Activities
- Credit Union Field Day
- Pre-K Moving Up Ceremony
- First Grade Promotion
- Field Day
- School Carnival

Dr. Matt Lewis – Warren Street

Upcoming events include:

- “Duck Into School” Attendance Challenge
 - Book Fair & Art Show
 - Cystic Fibrosis Support Day
 - 4th Grade Track Meet
 - “We Are Warren” Day
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VI. Superintendent’s Report

Welcome to Ms. Koster. She was unable to attend this meeting and will hopefully be rescheduled for a future meeting.

VII. Fundraising & Events Update

Class Auto Wash Fundraiser

- Profit: \$185
- PTA members were very pleased with the fundraiser due to the minimal workload involved.
- A total of 37 car washes were secured.
- Group expressed interest in running this fundraiser again in the future.

Staff Appreciation Week

Staff members greatly enjoyed the appreciation activities throughout the week. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, and all events ran smoothly.

Special thanks to Elise Rush and Bridgett Rocco for delivering treats and supplies throughout the buildings.

Jacklyn Whitman suggested recognizing individual professions separately throughout the year, such as:

- Teachers
- Custodians
- Secretaries
- School Counselors

The group discussed possibly planning something special for National Teacher Appreciation Day in October.

Book Fair

Thank you to all Book Fair volunteers and additional staff members who stepped in to help throughout the event. The credit card machine functioned successfully throughout the evening, and the event ran very smoothly at Pleasant Avenue.

VIII. JEPTA Scholarship

A scholarship committee needs to be formed. Members interested in participating are encouraged to sign up.

IX. Retiree Recognition

The PTA will donate a book to the library in honor of each retiree.

Recognized retirees:

- Mrs. Wagner
- Mrs. Salatel
- Mrs. Riley
- Mrs. Muller

Each retiree will be asked to select the book they would like donated.

X. Looking Ahead

Warren Street Building Representative

The PTA is seeking a new building representative for Warren Street next year.

Siobhan Wood is willing to continue helping but would appreciate additional support from another volunteer.

Appreciation Chair Position

The PTA is also looking for an Appreciation Chair. Jacklyn Whitman has organized materials and lists to help support the next representative and is willing to continue assisting as needed.

Future Fundraising/Event Ideas

- Stuffed Animal/Veterinarian-style activity tied to an after-school event
 - “Tattoo a Teacher” fundraiser
 - Students bring in a quarter to place a temporary tattoo on a teacher
 - “Pie a Staff Member” fundraiser
 - Possible alternatives:
 - Silly String a Principal
 - Involving bus drivers in activities/events
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XI. Future Meeting Dates

- **June 3, 2026** – 3:00 PM @ Warren Street Library
- **July 30, 2026** – Executive Board Meeting

Topics for July meeting:

- Set meeting dates for the school year
 - Plan major events and fundraising dates
 - Create a yearly reference calendar
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XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.