



TJ PTSA General Membership Meeting Minutes

02/26/2026 at 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Attendees:

Executive Committee

President: Catherine Li; First VP of Programing and Events: Kokeb Kassa; Third VP of Communications: Thomas Stauber; Treasurer: Dinesh Kumar

Executive Board

ANGP: Deepika Sood; Academic Support: Lili Cui; Hospitality: Latha Pesaladinne; Health & Wellness: Ann Payne

Others

Principal: Michael Mukai

SGA: Jocelyn Huie (President)

Class Council Officers: Audrey Li, Bella Lim, Sophie Kim

Total PTSA members in attendance: 76

Total non-members in attendance: 25

Location: Virtual

Agenda

- Call to Order and Welcome: Catherine Li
- Agenda Adoption: Catherine Li
- Approval of 12/11/2025 GMM Minutes
- Principal's Report and Q&A (15 mins)
- SGA and Class Council Report (15 mins)

- Treasurer's Report: Dinesh Kumar (5 mins)
- Student Club & Membership update - Maggy Li (5 mins)
- Committee Reports - Kokeb (25 mins)
 - ANGP - Deepika Sood and Dunia Pardo
 - Academic Support - Lili Cui
 - College Planning - Mara Marshall
 - Health and Wellness - Ann Payne
 - Hospitality - Latha Pesaladinne
 - Reflections - Meredith Caldwell
- Adjournment

Call meeting to Order

- A quorum was determined to be present and the president, Catherine Li called the meeting to order (@7:05pm).
- Attendees were reminded of Robert's Rules of Order
- Meeting logistics and guidelines were discussed:
 - Use virtual hand raise for voting
 - Remain muted unless recognized
 - Chat among participants was disabled to reduce distractions
 - Attendees were asked to display their real names on Zoom

Agenda Adoption

- The proposed agenda was published on the website and notified via the weekly membership newsletter.
- The agenda was displayed onscreen for reference of the attendees present during the meeting.
- Dinesh passed the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Tom. The agenda was adopted with 100% of the votes in favor.

Approval of 12/11/2025 GM Meeting Minutes

- The 12/11/2025 GMM draft Minutes were available on the TJ PTSA website, and notifications of the minutes were sent via newsletter posts and dedicated email.
- The President solicited comments/corrections to the minutes. There were no comments nor corrections to the 12/11/2025 TJ PTSA GM Meeting minutes; and the minutes were approved as presented.

Principal's Update

- **Student Achievements:** Celebrated 8 Regeneration Science Talent Search top 300 students (including one finalist), 107 National Merit finalists, and 52 Presidential Scholarship nominations.
- **Athletics and Arts:** Recognized successes in gymnastics, wrestling, basketball, and a top-four finish for the one-act play. TJ now has the first female head varsity football and baseball coaches in Virginia state history.
- **Hall of Honor:** Nominations are being sought for a new "Hall of Honor" to recognize alumni achievements over the last 40 years, with the first class to be inducted in November 2026.
- **Budgetary Challenges:** Noted upcoming meetings between the County Board of Supervisors and the School Board regarding funding for Fairfax County Public Schools.

- **School Access:** Responding to a prior inquiry, the school is currently unable to allow students into the building before 8:10 AM due to staffing requirements for weapon screening and collective bargaining agreements.

Student Government Association (SGA) Report – Jocelyn Huie and Class Council Officers

- SGA President Jocelyn and several class council officers presented a summary of upcoming events/initiatives for each class. Jocelyn reported on the success of the Winter Bash and the annual Toy Drive, which collected over 70 toys. Upcoming events include the TJ's Got Talent show, a Town Hall on March 13th, and the Middle School Leadership Conference on March 14th
 - Class 2026 (Justin Kim): Outlined senior events including "Soak-a-Senior" in April, TJ STAR in May, Prom on May 30th, Senior Sunset and Graduation on June 6th
 - Class of 2028 (Kevin Kosumi) : Recent successes included an ice skating fundraiser and a Five Guys fundraiser. Upcoming events include a spike ball tournament starting March 16th and a trip to King's Dominion on April 18th.
 - Class of 2029 (Naveli Jain) : Launched the "Big Sibs" mentor program in January. The "IBET Olympics" and " Money Wars" fundraiser are scheduled for the first week of March.

Treasurer's Report

- The treasurer – Dinesh Kumar – presented the budget vs. actuals-to-date. Financial status as follows:
 - Net income : ~35,000
 - Membership revenue: ~25,000 (which is exceeding expectations)
 - Total revenue approaching ~45,000 and expenses ~27,000
 - The PTSA has supported various student cultural events and the school's 40th-anniversary celebration
- Report accepted by all members.

Membership and activities:

- Since Maggy was not able to attend, Catherine briefed membership updates :
 - Currently there are ~800 parents and 185 students and 44 staff members
 - PTSA supported Hispanic Heritage, Diwali, Lunar New Year, Black History Month. Holi and Taste of TJ are the upcoming events

PTSA Committee Updates

- Academic support (Lili Cui):
 - There is Humanities session planned for March
 - 5,000+ AP exams are expected this year at TJ and volunteers are needed for proctoring and assisting with snacks
- Health and Wellness (Ann Payne): Committee has been supporting mental health coalition , Jefferson Junctions (student pantry) and Therapy dog programs
- Hospitality updates were provided by Laths.
 - Events completed:
 - Valentine's breakfast
 - Counselor appreciation lunch
 - Upcoming events:
 - Spring Luncheon (April 17th)
 - Staff Appreciation week in May

- Kokeb filled in for Mara on College planning.
 - Past Webinars :
 - College fit and major selection
 - Mental Health and performance
 - Upcoming topics:
 - Financial aid OR AI in college planning
 - Senior panel discussion
- All Night Grad Party (ANGP) : Deepika shared ANGP update and mentioned that ANGP . Ticket sales are on going and prices will increase over time. There will be a huge need for volunteers, requiring over 200 volunteers. The event will be held at the school campus.

PTSA Committee Updates :

March 07 : Mock SAT/ACT

April 17 : Spring Luncheon

April 09 : Next PTSA meeting (Virtual)

May 19th : Final PTSA Meeting (In-person)

June 06 : Graduation and All Night Grad Party

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm EST

Minutes Prepared by Raji Madhuvana, TJHSST PTSA Secretary

Minutes Approved as _____ Presented or _____ Amended on _xxx