

# School Organizational Team (SOT) Meeting Minutes

Jan Jones Blackhurst Elementary School

Thursday, March 30, 2017 | 4:30pm-5:30pm | Reedom ES Multi-Purpose Room

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## In Attendance

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Carmie Berands - Member	Jason Lillebo – Vice Chair
Janet Burkland – Chair (absent)	Carey Rogers - Member
Jenifer Fitzgerald - Member	Laura Torchia – Member/Minutes
Sue Hodsdon - Member	Shari White – Member

Jennifer Boccia – Principal

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## 1.0 Welcome and Roll Call

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### 1.0 ADOPTION & REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM 2/16/17 SOT MEETING

- ✓ Approved by team

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## 2.0 New Items

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### 2.1 COMMUNITY MEMBER – JAN JONES BLACKHURST

- ✓ Principal Boccia reached out to Jan Jones Blackhurst who agreed to be a community member of our SOT.
- ✓ She was unable to attend tonight's meeting because she was travelling abroad.

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## 3.0 General Discussion

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### 3.1 PRESENTATION BY EVA MELENDREZ (FACES) – PTA'S AND PTO'S (visit [faces.ccsd.net](http://faces.ccsd.net) for full powerpoint)

- ✓ PTO (Parent/Teacher Organization)
  - Non- affiliated with an organization
  - More creative freedom
  - FACES can assist with development ([faces.ccsd.net](http://faces.ccsd.net))
  - Website: [www.ptotoday.com](http://www.ptotoday.com)
  - Website: [www.pto.org](http://www.pto.org)
- ✓ PTA (Parent/Teacher Association)
  - Affiliated with state and national PTA.
  - More rules and regulations
  - Training is offered once a year
  - Association member can assist with development
- ✓ Schools that have a PTA or a PTO are more successful
- ✓ Must be a diverse group and open to all members
- ✓ Important to encourage all families to participate

- ✓ Thoughts from the SOT and Public
  - Advantages of a PTO
    - Work with parents
    - Less expensive
    - More creative options
    - More community and family orientated
    - Less competitive then a PTA
  - Advantages of a PTA
    - More checks and balances
    - Ensure all regulations are being followed
    - More accountability
- ✓ Next SOT meeting – vote on whether a PTO or PTA will be established at Jan Jones Blackhurst Elementary
- ✓ 3.2 UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION AT JAN JONES BLACKHURST ELEMENTARY
  - Picture slideshow (can be viewed on website and Facebook)
  - May 16, 2017 – tentative move in date for staff. Depends on assistance with electricity from NV Energy.
  - Tours will be offered to the public.
  - Kindergarten, first, and second grade classrooms will be on the first floor.
  - Third, fourth, and fifth grade classrooms will be on the second floor.
  - Want to see more updated pictures? Like Jan Jones Blackhurst Elementary on Facebook and visit the school website.
- ✓ 3.3 UPDATE ON STAFFING FOR JAN JONES BLACKHURST ELEMENTARY
  - Introduction of staff members.
  - All licensed staff has been hired.
  - Open positions
    - Library aide
    - Physical Education aide
    - Two Special Programs Teacher Assistants
- ✓ 3.4 UPDATE ON CURRICULUM AT JAN JONES BLACKHURST ELEMENTARY
  - Motion to remove and discuss at next SOT meeting.
- ✓ 3.5 UPDATE ON MASCOT & SCHOOL COLORS FOR JAN JONES BLACKHURST ELEMENTARY
  - Mascot – Jaguars
  - School Colors – black and gold
  - Name Reference – Jones Blackhurst Elementary
- ✓ 3.6 FUND RAISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR JAN JONES BLACKHURST ELEMENTARY
  - Reedom Elementary will be sharing raised fund from Apex Fun Run with Jan Jones Blackhurst Elementary.
- ✓ 3.7 51s GAME
  - Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:05pm – Tickets are \$10.
  - <http://bit.ly/reedom51s> Promo Code - School

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## 4.0 Information

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- ✓ 4.1 Next Meeting
  - Thursday, April 27, 2017 from 4:30pm-5:30pm at Reedom Elementary Multi-Purpose Room

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## 5.0 Public Comment Period

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- ✓ No comments