

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES



## JR PANTHERS

**Date:** Monday, December 9, 2024

**Time:** 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM (closed session); 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM (board elections); 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM (open session)

**Location:** West Park HS – Oak building

### BOARD MEMBERS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>
Ricky Arbolante	President	X
Jewel Grossi	Vice President of Cheer	X
Greg Small	Vice President of Football	X
Kim Pettigrew	Secretary	X
Vanessa Bryan	Treasurer	X
Rania Tolba	Registrar	X
Kurt Halferty	Game Day Coordinator	X
Gwen Ramirez	Snack Bar Coordinator	X
Kim Cleveland	Boosters & Merchandise Coordinator	X
Aaron Slavik	Photography Coordinator	X
Rachelle Hudson	Sponsorship & Fundraising Coordinator	X
Richard Vanderzanden	Equipment Coordinator	X
Janin Rosas	Cheer Medical Coordinator	X
Jorge Silva	Football Medical Coordinator	
Danielle Vanderzanden	Volunteer Coordinator	X
Amar Ganhdi	Marketing & Media Coordinator	X
Tiffany Stearns	Events Coordinator	X
Jason Tenner	High School Football Liaison	X
Marco Hanan	High School Football Liaison	
Rachel Ito	High School Cheer Liaison	

### I. CALL TO ORDER

- a. A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the West Park Jr. Panthers was duly called on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 5:34 PM. Ricky Arbolante, President, called the meeting to order. A quorum was declared present based on the presence of the individuals listed above.

#### i. GUESTS

1. The following members of the community, interested in joining the board for 2025 were present: Erik Potts, Jermaine Eti, Gage Morris (on behalf of Katelyn Morris), Beau Mead, Darrion Jeffrey, Aimee Shaw, Vanessa Dela Cruz, Megan Cooper, and Michael Henderson. Jermaine Eti also spoke on behalf of Hope Eti.
2. Several members of the community joined the open session duly called at 7:34 PM.

### II. OLD BUSINESS

- a. The board voted and approved \$5000 for end of season banquet.

### **III. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. An open forum was held for members of the community to ask questions and provide feedback related to the Registration Policy.
  - i. Coach Jason Tenner, West Park High School Faculty Member, Football Coach and West Park Jr Panthers Advisor, reiterated direction from West Park High School Administration.
  - ii. Coach Tenner and the board responded to questions and concerns from several families in attendance.

### **IV. REPORTS**

- a. Ricky Arbolante:
  - i. SYF President meeting updates:
    - 1. Several new teams may be joining SYF for 2025 season. Franklin may leave program.
    - 2. Banners for 2025 season.
    - 3. Coaches training may be in Reno again.
    - 4. Football schedule should be finalized in April.
    - 5. Divisional jamborees will be cut in half.
    - 6. Referees may be switched around.
    - 7. All-stars will be held in July.
  - ii. Ricky shared parent survey results with the board.
    - 1. Things to improve on:
      - a. FB Communication
      - b. Community connection
    - 2. Ideas:
      - a. Team parent lead
      - b. Practice sheets
  - iii. Ricky is still working with the district for the on-campus storage container.
  - iv. Bylaws to be reviewed and updated.
- b. Greg Small:
  - i. Greg confirmed football equipment return is complete.
- c. Jewel Grossi:
  - i. Jewel provided an update on cheer championship results.
  - ii. Extra training for stunt coaches was briefly discussed.
- d. Rachelle Hudson:
  - i. Rachelle confirmed sponsorship income from 2024 was approx. \$10k.
- e. Richard Vanderzanden:
  - i. Checks will be cashed for families that did not return football equipment.
- f. Aaron Slavik:
  - i. Aaron suggested purchasing Jamz photos (\$200) and then posting to our photo site for parents.
- g. Danielle Vanderzanden:
  - i. Checks will be cashed for families that did not complete required volunteer hours.

### **V. 2025 ELECTIONS**

- a. All community members interested in a board position for 2025 were provided an opportunity to share about themselves and current board members were then provided a brief opportunity to ask each candidate questions. Katelyn Morris & Hope Eti were available to answer questions via phone.
- b. Voting occurred via Google Form. Each current board member was given one vote per board position.

- c. The following individuals were elected for the 2025 season:

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Richard Vanderzanden	Equipment Coordinator
Michael Henderson	Medical Coordinator
Hope Eti	Volunteer Coordinator
Vanessa Dela Cruz	Marketing & Media Coordinator
Megan Cooper	Events Coordinator

**VI. NEXT MEETING**

- a. The next monthly board meeting will be held on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 6:30 PM at Round Table Pizza, 9055 Woodcreek Oaks Blvd.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:39 PM.

PREPARED BY: Kim Pettigrew, Secretary  
 APPROVED BY: Ricky Arbolante, President