Attendees: Parents and Administrators who attended Back-to-School night.

PTSA President’s Report: PTSA President Denise Bunting called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Denise introduced the PTSA officers and welcomed all of the parents to TJ Back to School Night. Denise commented on 7 items:

1. President - President Barack Obama’s visit to TJ in September
2. Engagement - Evan’s getting married!
3. Homecoming - Asking Week, Spirit Week, and the Game postponement
4. PTSA - PTSA, Boosters, and the Partnership Fund work together to support TJ
5. Volunteer - TJ needs you!
6. Directory - On sale today for $10
7. Membership - Please join today!

PTSA Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Frances Kim presented a summary of last year’s books, which were audited by TJ parent, Faranak Naghavi. Frances asked members to contact her at tjptsatreasurer@tjhsst.edu if they’d like her to email them a full copy of the report. Frances requested and received a motion and second to approve the audit. By voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Kim also presented the PTSA’s Draft Budget for 2011-2012. She pointed out that the PTSA’s income is largely dependent upon the “Free Money” programs and “Membership Dues.” Frances explained that PTSA Expenses are grouped into four categories and provided detailed information for each of the categories. She also pointed out that two expense items, ANGP and the Diversity Committee, are completely self-funded. Frances asked members to email her at tjptsatreasurer@tjhsst.edu if they’d like further detail of the proposed budget. She requested and received a motion and second from the floor to accept the 2011-2012 Budget. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
**Partnership Fund:** Mark Skolnik from the Partnership Fund talked about what makes TJ special. In particular, he stated that parent support and corporate sponsors create wonderful opportunities for TJ students. Mark explained that the Partnership Fund is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. Last year, the Partnership Fund delivered over $300,000 to support TJ’s mission. He estimated that this year, TJ needs an infusion of $500,000 to purchase new tech equipment for the labs.

Mark estimated that it costs an additional $500 per student to deliver a TJ education to our children. He stated, “A TJ education is not free.” Mark asked that every TJ family contribute to the Partnership to the best of their ability and suggested that parents tap into their employer’s matching funds programs, if possible. He emphasized that every contribution is helpful.

Mark then spoke about the renovation and the bond issue that will be voted on in November. The Partnership Fund is in the early stages of a significant capital campaign, the largest in TJ’s 25 year history. He asked parents to make a donation. He closed by emphasizing the collaborative nature of the PTSA and the Partnership Fund and urged parents to support both organizations.

**Principal’s Report:** Principal Glazer asked the audience to recognize the PTSA and Partnership Fund leadership. He shared a slideshow of photos from Homecoming Week and from President Obama’s historic signing of the *America Invents Act* at TJ on September 16. That event was attended by the CEO of DuPont, the CEO of Eli Lilly, and representatives from Microsoft, Northrop Grumann, Lockheed, and ExxonMobil. The CEO of Northrop Grumann also visited TJ on October 3.

Principal Glazer’s School Improvement Plan tri-fold was available in the auditorium. He spoke about his five goals for preserving TJ’s legacy with the highest quality faculty and curriculum:

- **Goal 1:** “Education as Cake”
- **Goal 2:** *Vertical Articulation*
- **Goal 3:** *Diversity and Engagement*
- **Goal 4:** *Resources: Professional Development*
- **Goal 5:** *Ethics and Social Responsibility*

Principal Glazer then spoke briefly about this year’s One Question and the book *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Laks*. He suggested parents use their 10 minutes in their child’s classrooms to learn about major projects, class policies and contact info for the teacher.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.