Kennedy PTO - November Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2025, 6:30-7:30 PM, Kennedy School Library

Welcome & Introductions

- 1. Reach us at JFKcougarsPTO@gmail.com
- 2. All Kennedy family members, staff, and friends of the school are part of the PTO
- 3. Working on the name change: **Kennedy Families & Friends**

The PTO's work at Kennedy

- 1. We **host free family events** to help students and their families feel like they are part of the school community.
- 2. We **support school staff** with grants, meals, appreciation days, and more.
- 3. We **serve families** by hosting guest speakers at our monthly meetings, free community meals, and supplying gift cards for the social workers to distribute.
- 4. We advocate for school needs with the district or school board.
- 5. We **fundraise** in order to be able to do all those things!

Updates on PTO work

- 1. Thank you for a successful meal for teachers at conferences!
- 2. Gift cards for families in need were given to the school social workers to distribute.
- 3. Classroom grant proposals are being reviewed this month \$5000 to award.

Upcoming events and how you can help

- 1. *Thursday, 12/4, 6-8pm* Family Science Night with Free Community Meal and Winter Gear Giveaway
- 2. Sunday, 12/7, 1-5pm "Crafting for a Cause" Fundraiser at the Curious Crafter
- 3. See calendar on the back for more
 - a. If interested in volunteering, please email JFKcougarsPTO@gmail.com

Guest Speaker: Jeff Greger, City of Madison Planning Division

Southeast Area Plan Recommendations & Feedback

JGreger@cityofmadison.com

Alder Derek Field attended - district covers much of the Kennedy attendance area

Jeff Greger, Planning Division for City of Madison

Provided an overview of what planning is

Plans updated approximately every 10 years

Described how feedback becomes part of plans

Reviewed aspects of updated plan as well as timeline

Questions regarding different options for 51, parks, land use vs. zoning

Traffic lights to be added at the intersection of Milwaukee and Sprecher

Comments on maps closes on December 4: https://plans.cityofmadison.com/southeast-area-draft-actions