

May 25, 2022

## Summary

The PSA met to discuss **New Family Orientation**.

See Minutes for details.

## Participants



- Anya Stockburger, President
- Cara Williams, Secretary
- Lina Cates, Chapter Leader
- Megan Cox, Chapter Leader, and
- 5 parent members

## Backlog



- Execute July **PSA Pop Up**
- Lead PSA Communication for **New Family Orientation**
- Organize parent volunteers for **Back-to-School Picnic**

## To-Do's



- **@Lina** to add Adopt-A-Block event to ParentSquare event calendar
- **@Chapter Leaders** need to RSVP for June PSA meeting date at <https://www.parentsquare.com/feeds/12505644>

## Upcoming Dates



- **June 1:** Pop Up Meet Up and Toy Swap 4:30pm
- **June 12:** Adopt-A-Block cleanup 10am
- **June 17:** 5th/8th Grade Graduation & Last Day of School
- **June 29:** PSA Meeting 12pm

## Opening

Chapter Leaders and guests **checked in** by sharing their name, children's grades, and their reason for attending the PSA Meeting.

## Discussion: New Family Orientation

Anya introduced the topic of New Family Orientation and welcomed Room Parents who received a special invitation to join the meeting.

Anya invited meeting participants to **reflect on being a new family** and share feelings from that time. The discussion was summarized in a Word Cloud (see "Word Cloud Summary" in Appendix). Themes centered around need for community, confusion about school rules, excitement about being matched but needing more networking and support.

Anya shared a summary from the meeting pre-work, where ~40 parents reflected on what new families need to know for their first year. Anya used that input to present a **Roadmap for New Family** communication (see "Roadmap for New Family Communication" in Appendix). She presented a **structure** for the topics (see "Structure for New Family Communication" in Appendix).

Anya invited participants to add suggestions for **New Family Orientation Topics** into a Google Jam Board (see "Google Jam Board Summary" in Appendix). The final list will be shared with Two Rivers Administration. Of special note, Participants requested this information available to existing families as well. One participant shared a link to the [Handbook](#) and that it could be a good foundation for seeding the content for the newsletter or used as an FAQ.

## Backlog

Anya led a review of the PSA Backlog of activities. Cara shared a plug for the upcoming June 1 Pop Up Meeting Up. Lina shared a reminder of the **Adopt-A-Block** PSA Commitment and set a date of June 12. Anya requested Chapter Leaders volunteer to support the **Graduation Gifts** committee, lead PSA Communication for **New Family Orientation**, organize parent volunteers for **Back-to-School picnic**, and and organize the **July PSA Pop-Up**.

## Call to Action

Anya asked each PSA meeting participant to reach out to another attendee they didn't know and send a message on ParentSquare.

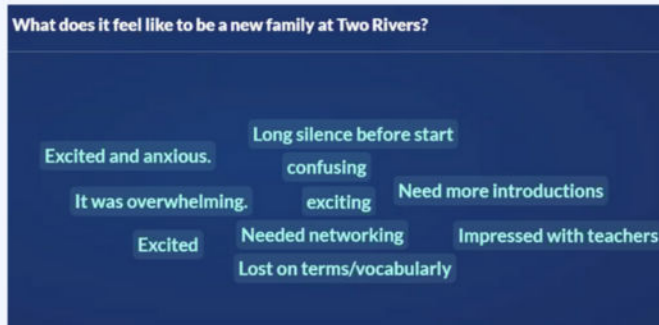


## Meeting Replay

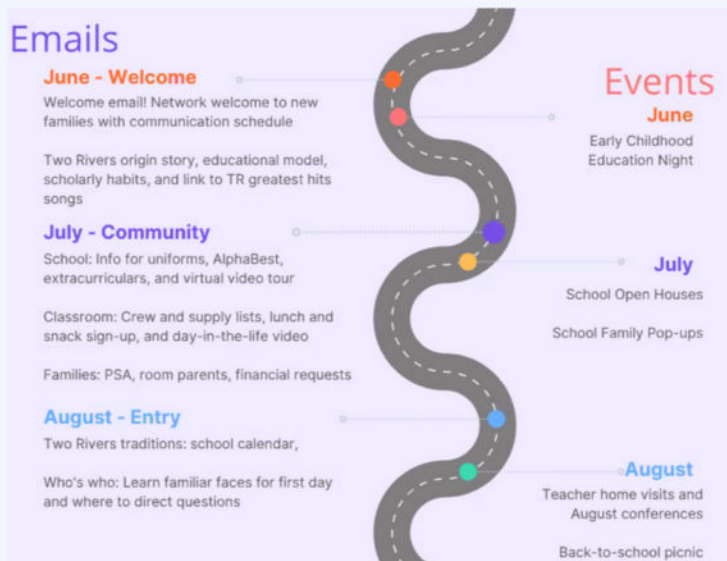
A replay of the meeting can be viewed [here](#).



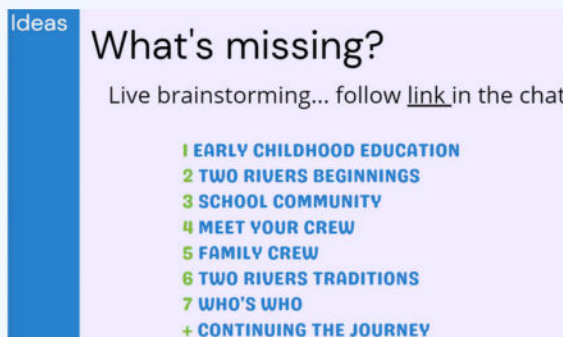
## Word Cloud Summary of "Being a new Two Rivers Family"



## Roadmap for New Family Communication



## Structure of New Family Communication





## Google Jam Board Summary

### 1 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

PS/PK hot topics  
Potty training  
Naps  
What's next?

**Change of clothes**

Drop off and pick up times for both school and AlphaBest. What are the guidelines for using the drop off lane.

**Special Education**

**Testing**

What is a sample schedule for a PK3 kid?

**Discipline Model**

### 2 TWO RIVERS BEGINNINGS

How is TR different?  
Ago/ame  
Songs  
Holidays  
Scholarly habits

Consider glossary to accompany school calendar. Yes it's helpful to know when certain events take place, but maybe they don't impact your child or require your presence. ie Latin Dance Competition (for 3rd graders up) or

### 3 SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Community meeting  
Uniform  
School lunch  
Arrival/dismissal  
Before/after care  
Other extracurriculars

**Pandemic changes - back to normal?**

**Past Ambassador tour videos**

**School Safety Protocols**

### 4 MEET YOUR CREW

What is crew?  
Who is our teacher?  
Supplies  
Snack  
Specials  
Typical day  
Teacher communication

Identifying room parents as close to start of school - possibly not waiting for BTS Night. Explain what it entails, support and resources PSA will give you

Develop a compilation of sample templates so folks don't feel the need to reinvent the wheel. Provide an outline of the asks they'll be making to their crews.

### 5 FAMILY CREW

PSA  
Room parents  
PSA events  
Financial requests

### 6 TWO RIVERS TRADITIONS

School calendar  
Parent square

**Holidays (here instead?)**

Materials to help transition (TW welcome board book, ex)

### 7 TWO RIVERS WHO'S WHO

Learn familiar faces  
Absences  
Guide for other questions

### + CONTINUING THE JOURNEY

TR funding model  
Expeditions/showcase  
Teacher development  
Summer school  
Testing/academics

**Support for High School entrance**

school tour guides (how can students apply? process?)

Navigator award (what is it and what is the process)