

Naperville North High School Home & School Meeting Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Call to order at 9:05 am by Mary King.

Board Members present: Mary King, Praghna Peterson, Gail Micheau, Aarthi Ramalingam, Debbie Crossett, Supriya Desai, Toya O'Connor, Patti Schlecht, Racquel Conwell, Donna Zirin, Kim Henderson, Anu Raju, Christine Simonson, Diana McClaurin, Cathie Bucek

Administrators present: Stephanie Posey, Carrie Ray, Judy McCormick, Jen Baumgartner.

• Mary King thanked Praghna Peterson for organizing the holiday luncheon. She also thanked the FFA & Culinary students for food and decor. They will be doing the same in May.

Executive Board Reports

Secretary Report: Aarthi Ramalingam

• A motion was made to approve the November Minutes by Supriya Desai and seconded by Toya O'Connor. All in favor. Motion approved.

Treasurer Report: Gail Micheau

- Balance as of end of December 2018 \$16,649.08. No checked were banked and no checks were written either. We received \$10 interest.
- A motion to approve the December financials was made by Cathie Bucek and seconded by Donna Zirin. All in favor. Motion approved.
- Time to plan next year's budget. Chairs will be contacted soon and we may have to prune the budget a bit. EKG screening will be an additional expenditure for next year. The goal is to present in March and vote in April.

Vice President: Praghna Peterson

- Thanks to volunteers who helped with the December luncheon.
- More volunteers are signing up through the Sign-up page link. An updated volunteer list will be sent to the chairs.

President Report: Mary King

- Volunteers are needed to review the bylaws. In-person meeting is not necessary. Since a major review was done two years ago, this can be handled through email.
- Wish list money was used to buy microwave for the cafeteria last year. If any parent has suggestions for this year on how to use the wish list money, please email Mary King.
- The Blue Ribbon celebration reception will be held on February 12th. A save-the-date info has been sent through the Huskie Howler.
- Parent-to-parent panel is being hosted by the SFCP for incoming freshman parents on January 29th.
- General Home & School:

- Focus 203 is on January 30th & January 31st. Topics will be announced soon.
- Kitty Ryan is acting as temporary director of community relations till a replacement is found for Julie Carlsen.
- Alive Center is looking for donations. We are seeking a list from them so we can see how we can figure out how to support them.

Committee Reports

Nominations: Most chairs have responded to Kim Henderson. We still have openings for EKG, Executive Board (President, Vice President and Treasurer), Senior Celebration (1 co-chair), Registration (1 co-chair). Vision & Hearing is open as Cathie Bucek will be doing EKG screening next year. Incoming junior high parents to be contacted through email.

Teacher Breakfast: Volunteers are needed on conference day (Friday) from 6:30-7:30 & 7:15-9:15 a.m. A signup genius will be sent soon.

School Store: Thanks to all the volunteers who helped through the holiday sale. Volunteers are needed for the following sessions: M, T, TH, Fri. 7-7:45 and Friday lunches 10:30-1:15.

Senior Celebration: The annual senior lock-in is on Saturday, April 6, from 8 pm to 1:30 am at NNHS. Students check in at 7:30 pm. This event requires parent permission and payment. Registration forms are availabe with Student Activities. Volunteers & donations are needed. Information has been shared in the Huskie Howler. For any questions or clarifications, please contact <u>nnhsseniorcelebration@gmail.com</u>.

Guest presentation: Judy McCormick on Testing Overview

- All Juniors will take the PSAT/NMSQT. No make up dates available.
- All Juniors will take the State SAT in April. One make-up date is available. Students can take the test again as seniors. Students are automatically registered to take the test and do not have to pay to take the test. It is mandatory for graduation.
- Sophomores will take the PSAT 10 in April; Freshmen will take the PSAT 8/9 in April as well. No registration required.
- AP testing is from May 6- 17. Students needs to sign up online in February. An email will be sent shortly with more information.
- National testing dates for SAT & ACT are available on the website. Juniors take these tests, but some sophomores also take the test. Colleges accept both SAT & ACT scores. Students have to sign up online and pay for the tests. NCHS & NNHS host 3 tests each.
- PSAT/NMSQT acts as a good practice test and is primarily for scholarships. Those who take the test score higher. Students can also get an understanding of their strengths and weaknesses. College board account is necessary and test results are sent to the account.
- Free SAT/ACT practice options are available on Khan Academy & <u>satpractice.org</u>. To practice on Khan Academy website, students need to have a college board account and link the college board account to Khan Academy.
- Students can prepare for ACT tests at <u>ACTacademy.org</u>.

The presentation is available at

https://www.naperville203.org/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=13576&dataid=22980 &FileName=2019-TestingPresentation.pdf

Administration Reports

Principal Report: Stephanie Posey

- 8th grade orientation for incoming freshman parents was held last week.
- 5E survey has been sent out this year to parents and will be sent out every year. In the past, the survey was sent out every alternate years. Students will be taking the survey on January 16th and their questions will be different from the parents' survey.
- The first ALICE training begins on Wednesday with a presentation and voice over. There will be no practice now. In March, the practice run will be conducted along with severe weather drills. Every class room has different evacuation process.
- Save-the-date for the Blue Ribbon celebration reception (Tuesday February 12th, from 6:30 to 8 pm) was sent out in the Huskie Howler.
- On Thursday night, Max Preps will be honoring the soccer team.
- Mary King has been nominated by Stephanie Posey for the district's 'Those Who Excel' award.

Events/ Happenings this week: Jen Baumgartner

- Dance Team will be in the sectionals this week and the cheerleaders the following weekend. Robotics, Chess and Flag are also having their sectionals in the coming weeks.
- The Laramie Project is staged by the NNHS theater group. GSA will be talking to the students. Since it's a heavy topics, it is not recommended for elementary and lower junior high students.
- Seniors will be sent a communication in mid February with deadlines to return things back to school like uniforms. Service hours documentation is also due.

A motion to adjourn was made by Cathie Bucek and seconded by Donna Zirin. All in favor. Motion approved.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 in Room 108. Guest Topic will be School Improvement Plan.