



Naperville North High School

Home & School Meeting

January 14, 2020

Call to order at 9:05 am by Christine Simonson

Board Members present: Christine Simonson, Diana McClaurin, Aarthi Ramalingam, Deneen Robert, Cathie Bucek, Donna Zirin, Carrie Meikle, Marni Springer, Kim Henderson, Pam Biederman, Nicole Rorke

Administrators present: Stephanie Posey, Jen Baumgartner, Judy McCormack & Carrie Ray

Executive Board Reports

President Report: Christine Simonson

- Happy Dress Up Your Pet Day
- Thank yous:
 - Nancy Matambo for Vision & Hearing
 - Debbie Crossett & Supriya Desai for Coffee with the Principal
 - Diana McClaurin for Holiday Potluck and Nicole Jones, Culinary Director for the excellent spread.
- Directory Spot sales is declining year on year. We are short by \$1100.
 - A few ideas being explored to help with the shortfall. 1) Sell hard copies of Parent Guide at the upcoming Freshman Jamboree along with bake sale (goodies sponsored by DeEtta's), 2) Restaurant Fundraiser at Front Street Cantina in the form of a friendly month-long competition against Naperville Central, 3) see if any nearby gas stations will donate a portion of their sale, (Naperville Central gets a donation of a cent per gallon sold at the nearby Shell station), 4) a raffle for preferred seating/parking during graduation.
- **General Home & School:**
 - Bylaws to be reviewed again this year, even though it was done last year. The idea is to bring all schools across the district on the same timeline. Anyone interested in joining the Bylaws committee, please contact Christine.
 - Focus203 session to focus on Implicit Bias - Wednesday, Jan 22nd, 7 pm at the NNHS Learning Commons and Thursday, Jan 23rd, 9 am at Grace United Methodist Church.
 - Summer school dates for the 2 sessions are June 2 - June 19 and June 22 - July 10. No ELo this year. Courses will be online at the district website soon.
 - Lifetouch is working to fix all photography issues.
 - Food service survey generated great responses. RFPs will be going out soon.
 - NEF Breakfast fundraiser is at Embassy Suites on March 19, 2020 from 7 am to 9 am.
 - Prom dates from Naperville North & Naperville Central are on the same day. NNHS will start an hour earlier. Those want to go to both can come to North first and then get to Central before their check-in time.

Vice President Report: Diana McClaurin

- Volunteer lists have been updated.
- Requests for donations for spring dance will be going out soon.

Secretary Report: Aarthi Ramalingam

- A motion was made to approve the end of November Minutes by Carrie Meikle and seconded by Cathie Bucek. All in favor. Motion approved.

Treasurer Report: Deneen Robert

- Balance as of December 31st is \$12,577.84
- Senior Celebration balance as of December 31st is \$35,057.56
- A motion was made to approve the November & December financials by Marni Springer and seconded by Donna Zirin. All in favor. Motion approved.

Committee Reports

EKG Screening: Scheduled for Thursday, March 12, 2020. Volunteer sign up is now open at the following link <https://signup.com/go/LUMpDsu>. We will need over 200 volunteers to make this screening possible. There are morning and afternoon shifts. Lunch will be provided for volunteers who work all day. Volunteer training is required and will occur on the evening of March 11, 2020. Please sign up to help out! The goal this year is to screen at least 80% of our students. The screening is free, but students do need to be signed up by their parents. Information and a link to on-line sign up have been sent out through PE classes and the Huskie Howler at the beginning of second semester.

72% of the students were tested in 2016-17. The goal for this year is to test 80% of the students. Volunteers need not have prior medical training. Only adults can volunteer, but they need not be a current parent. Retired friends and neighbors are welcome to help out. Volunteers have to attend a refresher course, if they haven't taken the training within the last two years.

Nominations: Kim Henderson contacting current chairs now. Secretary position will be open. A nominations committee will be formed if there is more than one candidate for the Secretary position.

Guest speakers - Testing by Judy McCormack & Carrie Ray

- On Tuesday, April 14th, juniors will be taking the State SAT and sophomores will take the PSAT 10. On Wednesday, April 15th, freshmen would take the PSAT 8/9. For those taking the exam on Wednesday, it will not be a late start. Juniors and sophomores do not have school on Wednesday. No registration is required to appear for these tests
- SAT timings are from 7:45 am to 1:15 pm. Students can enter up to 4 college codes for free. It is mandatory for graduation.
- Sophomores will not enter any college code. Lunch is available for purchase on that day and busses will run as usual.

- College Board account is mandatory. Students are recommended to set up the account using their student id and change to their personal one once they go to college. Sophomores will open their account during the Crew 2 sessions.
- SAT Khan Academy is a great resource for taking SAT practice tests. Based on the uploaded PSAT scores, students will get free, personalized practice tests. For those prepping for ACT, ACT academy is a good resource.
- Superscoring will be an option for ACT from September 2020, but it is best to check with colleges about their policy on superscoring.
- AP Testing is scheduled from May 4th - May 15th.
- Earlier the College Board was sued for selling student information. Now the parents need to approve this information and provide consent by March 1st, for both SAT and PSAT 10. If a consent form is not provided, it will be assumed as a denial. If students share their phone number by mistake, parents can talk to College Board and have it removed.
- Students took the PSAT in October 2019. It is mainly a practice for the actual SAT but also makes students eligible for National Merit Scholarship. The results are on the College Board website. Students and parents can see the analysis of their test as well as AP recommendations on the site.
- Illinois Science assessment is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2020 and the make-up test is on Thursday, March 19, 2020. It is mandatory for juniors. During that time, freshmen, sophomores, and juniors will have their science classes in the auditorium. The test has 3 sections and approximately 40 minutes long. Students will be asked to bring their Chromebooks fully charged.

Presentation available at <https://www.naperville203.org/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=13576&dataid=26189&FileName=2019-20-TestingPresentation.pdf>

Administration Reports

Events/ Happenings: Jen Baumgartner

- Getting ready for Senior Mailer, Cap and Gown, and spring activities.
- Jazz, chess, show choir and robotics seasons are ramping up.
- The play Diary of Anne Frank is scheduled from Jan 31 - Feb 2. Audience will be sitting on stage during this play.
- Students who are involved in activities and getting failing grades have been put on a watch list. Letters have been sent out offering support. Procedures are in place for one-on-one check-ins with Jen Baumgartner, mandatory supervised study hours, closer follow-up with repeaters who have not been getting support, and removal of privileges like socials or any program attendance. Staff and sponsors have conversations with students as well. 60% of the students who get support are not back on the list. Those with medical issues get extra time to compensate.
- Dance procedures have been refined for manning the doors, check-in/check-out of guests and students, and drop-off of cookies & water. Deans will be supervising on the floor.
- Lifetouch is sorting out the issues.
- Jen will be meeting with School Store parents to figure out the inventory system.

Principal Report: Stephanie Posey

- 5E survey emails have been sent out. 92% of the student have taken it. From now on, survey will be conducted every year instead of alternate years. This information is published as part of the school report card.

- Naviance to SchooLinks transition has had a few glitches. Counselors will work with students and go through course selection.
- Esports team has been invited to a national tournament with a fully-paid trip to California. It's the fastest growing activity in IHSA.
- SFCP's Freshmen parent-to-parent panel is tonight at 7 pm at the Learning Commons. Kids Matter will present Angst, a documentary, on Thursday. As part of the Speaker Series, Adam Russo, Justin Wolfe, and Harlan Cohen are among the speakers who would be addressing parents & students in the coming months.

A motion to adjourn was made at by Donna Zirin and seconded by Kim Henderson. All in favor. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Next Home & School Meeting: February 11, 2020

Guest Speaker Topic: Social Emotional Learning by Stephanie Posey

Upcoming Events: Teacher Breakfast - March 5

EKG Screening - March 12

Spring Dance - March 21