



## Naperville North High School Home & School Meeting April 21, 2020

**Call to order at 9:04 am by Christine Simonson**

**Board Members present:** Christine Simonson, Diana McClaurin, Aarthi Ramalingam, Deneen Robert, Anu Raju, Supriya Desai, Pam Biederman, Nicole Rorke, Tara Rester, Cathie Bucek, Carrie Meikle, Dee Dauber, Kelly O'Malley, Kim Henderson, Donna Zirin, Gail Micheau, Lourdes Chew, Patti Schlecht, Kim Schneider, Marni Springer, Raquel Conwell, Kristen Yoon

**Administrators present:** Stephanie Posey

### Executive Board Reports

**President Report: Christine Simonson**

- First Home & School meeting through Zoom. Meeting rules: Everyone will be muted. Please unmute yourself if you wish to say something. Votes can be handled through raise of hands or a message in the chat. Thanks to those who shared their own senior pics as background pictures to celebrate our graduating seniors.
- The EKG testing had 200 volunteers and the testing went smoothly.
- Thanks to the Dance co-chair for the preliminary planning.
- Thanks to all the Board members. Unfortunately we could not have our annual Thank You luncheon. Some have worked year round like School Store, Senior Celebration, Family Connections. Thanks to Aarthi Ramalingam who will be moving out of her Secretary role next year.
- Dr. Rakeda Leaks, Executive Director for Diversity and Inclusion, was our guest speaker for this month's meeting. Because of the current format, we felt it might be a better idea to have her present in person in fall.
- Fundraiser Update:
  - Fogo de Chao is having a Huskie Special on Saturday, May 2nd. The flyer and the menu will be shared.
  - We have opted not to collect \$34 fund raised from the Front Street Cantina fundraiser because the businesses are struggling with the Covid-19 closures. We will have a re-do when things gets back to normal.
  - Parent Guide hardcopy will not be made available at the Freshman Jamboree since the event will likely move online.
  - BP (Ogden & Washington) still wants to work with us on the spirit pump. We will get in touch when things get back to normal
  - DirectorySpot pre-sales might be available to incoming freshmen. Currently working on payment logistics and targeting incoming freshmen parents.

- A motion to approve the Bylaws was made by Tara Rester and seconded by Cathie Bucek. All in favor. No question. Motion passes.

#### General Home & School:

- With the treasurer dropping out, the Slate has changed. Once the new treasurer bio information is received, it will be shared and an evote will be required.
- Online annual update began last week and to be completed by families by May 11. It will help with the district staffing plan. This is a very tough time for many families for various reasons. Please refer all families in need to our school social workers. Please stay at home and practice social distancing. Police are spending lots of time removing kids from school facilities.
- BOE voted to abate tax levy. No additional abatement planned.
- e-Learning vs remote learning: Some lessons like music will be optional for Junior High. All activities suspended till May 1st
- July prom date/ commencement information to be announced. Graduation will be online. Senior Celebration may be combined with prom.

#### **Vice President Report: Diana McClaurin**

- We would like to recognize the following graduating senior parents
  - Bill Itzenhuiser
  - Cathie Bucek
  - Donna Zirin
  - Kim Schneider
  - Dee Dauber

#### **Secretary Report: Aarthi Ramalingam**

- A motion was made by Anu Raju to approve the minutes of the March Home & School meeting and seconded by Donna Zirin. All in favor. Motion approved.

#### **Treasurer Report: Deneen Robert**

- A motion was made by Carrie Meikle to approve the February & March financials and seconded by Patti Schlecht. All in favor. Motion approved.
- The balance as of 3/31 is \$12,270.76 and Senior Celebration balance for 3/31 is \$33,502.59.
- Budget 2020-21
  - Success and Dance budget has been decreased.
  - No EKG next year.
  - All check requests due by May 1.
  - We are required to keep a reserve of \$2500 and a carryover of \$4000 for a total of \$6500. However, given the unprecedented COVID-19 circumstances and potential roadblocks in fundraising, we will carry over an extra \$1500 for a total of \$8000 for next year
  - A motion to pass the Budget for the year 2020-21 was made by Donna Zirin and seconded by Raquel Conwell. All in favor. Motion approved.
- Wishlist e-vote will be sent in May.

## **Committee Reports**

**Nominations:**

- E-votes have been received and tallied by Aarthi.
- The new board for the year 2020-21:

Christine Simonson  
Diana McClaurin  
Deneen Robert  
Marni Springer

- All board positions have been filled. Thanks to all continuing as well as incoming chairs.

**Family Connections:**

- Currently doing a Senior fundraiser Campaign for prom. 440 students have signed up and we have raised \$4260. Unsure if Senior brunch will happen. The event has been promoted through Huskie Howler. Money will stay for families in need and used for holiday drive/ other events.

**Mailings:**

- Emailed Jen Baumgartner. Cap 'n gown on May 1st may be handled just by the staff. Not sure how or when Jostens will be scheduled in July.

**Senior Celebration:**

- Unlikely to happen in person.
- Ideas are being brainstormed
- Social distance/ virtual celebration is a possibility. Those interested in planning can join the 6:30 pm Zoom call. Please email/phone Dee Dauber with ideas for this super safe and fun Senior Celebration. (Photos deadline for Sr. Celebration has been extended).

**EKG Screening:**

- 200 volunteers helped with nearly 100 volunteers staying the whole day
- Jimmy John's gave a great price on the lunch and donated 2 cases of water. Lourdes Chew and Amy Looi will help plan the next one in 2021-22.
- Also a big thanks to the Hurrah Volunteers and nursing students.
- 1920 students (72% of students) were screened. 11 abnormal EKGs were identified and parents have been informed.

**Teacher Appreciation:**

- A Thank You video for the faculty is being put together. Please forward your families' appreciation video to Kelly O'Malley by April 26.

**Administration Reports**

**Principal Report: Stephanie Posey**

- Thanks to all parents who check in during the Thursday evening call.
- So far, we have had 90-95% attendance with the A-B schedule. We won't be able to cover all the curriculum, but we are monitoring student engagement. For any questions please call or email the Dean/Counselor. Some are having financial issues or with connectivity
- Clubs & activities might go with either virtual tryouts or having no tryouts
- We are talking to seniors & they feel they're cared for
- Prom/graduation dates will be announced in the Howler. May 5th will be the virtual award ceremony, with virtual speakers.
- Seniors who have Incomplete don't have to repeat the classes. The rest will have to show remote learning. Grades will not fall below what was in March. Summer school will proceed as usual. Plan A is to have regular classes and Plan B is remote learning
- Cap/Gown, textbook/chromebook dropoff/pickup information shared with Seniors. All Senior locker contents will be bagged with locker number and last name information. Underclassmen will pick up their belongings in fall.

**A motion to adjourn was made by Dee Dauber and seconded by Donna Zirin. All in favor. No questions. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:53 am.**

**Proposed NNHS H&S Meetings 2020-21 (Tuesdays at 9 am in Room 208)**

September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8 (No Meeting, Volunteer Appreciation Holiday Potluck Luncheon at 12 pm), January 12, February 9, March 9, April 13 (Board Appreciation Luncheon after the meeting)