



Naperville North High School Home & School Meeting Minutes May 11, 2021

Call to order at 9:04 am by Christine Simonson

Board Members present: Christine Simonson, Diana McClaurin, Deneen Robert, Marni Springer, Carrie Meikle, Nancy Matambo, Kim Henderson, Gail Micheau, Pam Biederman, Tara Rester, Caitlin Denker, Laura Hirsch, Debbie Crossett, Patti Schlecht

Administrators present: Jay Wachtel, Jen Baumgartner, Stephannie Posey

Executive Board Reports

President Report: Christine Simonson

Thank you's:

- Staff Appreciation -Denise Petty & Pam Biederman for all the hard work making our staff feel so appreciated this year.
- Cap & Gown -Carrie Meikle & Heather Field for organizing the cap and gown distributions and to all parent volunteers who helped out.
- Senior Celebration - Kim Henderson & Kelly O'Malley for working on-stop since Sept. on putting together the best gift ever for our Seniors.
- Committee Co-Chairs for sticking it out this year. Also to those who were busier this year due to the pandemic and our focus on supporting parents, teachers and families in need.
- Congrats to Kristen Fitzgerald on her re-election to President of District 203 BOE and for giving District updates at all of our Board meetings.
- Special mention to my Executive Board, Deneen, Diana and Marni for your kindness, diligence and support and being on top of your responsibilities.

Board Standing Committee:

- Approved by Executive Board
- Still need 2 Senior Celebration Co-Chairs
- Welcome new members, Tammy Schultz, Susan Wade, Cory Briggs, Tiffany Welch, Jennifer Weber, Jennifer Rosenbaum, Louren Livernois, Page Poehnelt and Lori Jurjovec.
- Many thanks to our continuing Board Members

Transitions/Closures:

- New fiscal year begins July 1, 2021
- Introductions of new members/current Board members will be sent out this week.
- Plan to transition as soon as possible
- Marni will send out Google Forms with your job descriptions

- Review the Google Form and add/update job descriptions, as needed.
- Review Google Form/Spreadsheet with your new Co-Chairs

General Announcements:

- Next year, the district is moving forward with full, 5-day in person learning. 4% of students/parents from the survey opted for alternate form of education. District working on alternatives/ Online Academy.
- Quarantines continue to be a huge frustration. If a school cannot guarantee at least 6 ft. of social distancing, then the quarantine remains at 14 days. Otherwise it is 10 days.
- D203 website will undergo a revision for next year
- Quarantining and masking mandates driven by county and state public health departments, not the District.
- District is currently preparing a budget for next year with funds committed to Return to Learn and make up for unfinished learning.
- Summer: Free course will be offered for summer of 2021 or 2022. Bridge courses, Jumpstart courses and Algebra Essentials courses offered along with AP Boot Camps.
- School Year: Increase number of specialists, provide intensive tutoring and additional SEL support in place, focus on specific skills to help students meet essential standards.
- This summer, district to focus on “Being Bold and Being Innovative.” Want to come back stronger.
- Reminder of Covid vaccination taking place May 22 at Neuqua Valley High School. Sign up link on school website. There are 6,000 slots and 600 have been filled. The government just approved Pfizer vaccine for 12-15-year olds for emergency use, so they will soon be eligible to sign up for this vaccine clinic.
- Community Events - copied link to all the community events taking place. to name a few:
 - Highlights from May 3 BOE Meeting
 - Info. on Summer Learning, NEF Half Marathon, 360 Youth Services, Alive Center activities, volunteer opportunities at Loaves and Fishes, and so much more.

Vice President Report: Diana McClaurin

- Congrats to the Parents involved in Home and School who will be graduating with their Seniors: Christine Simonson, Jinny Kim, Nancy Matambo, Anu Raju, Gail Micheau, Nicole Rorke, and Debbie Crossett.

Secretary Report: Marni Springer

- Approval of April 2021 Minutes
 - Motion: Caitlin Denker. Second by Tara Rester. No discussion. Motion approved.

Treasurer Report: Deneen Roberts

- Approval of April 2021 Financials
 - Motion: Caitlin Denker. Second by Tara Rester. No discussion. Motion approved
- H&S Balance:

- April: \$10,666.33
- Senior Celebration
 - April Balance: \$22,837.14
- 2021-22 Budget Approval
 - General H&S dues went up by \$125, Teacher Appreciation went up \$400, EKG went down a little.
 - Motion: Carrie Meikle. Second by Caitlin Denker. No discussion. Motion approved
- 2021-22 Wishlist Approval
 - Wishlist: 1) Student Services - Fidget Toys \$1,376 2) Meditation Garden ~\$924 or remainder of budget (less carryover and reserve)
 - Motion: Tara Rester. Second by Marni Springer. No discussion, Motion approved

Committee/Partner Reports

- Kim Henderson - Senior Celebration:
 - May 30th 5-10pm
 - check in between 4-5
 - Have many protocols in place for staying covid safe
 - mask wearing
 - hand sanitizing at all stations
 - temp checks
 - contact tracing
 - Still Looking for 2 Co Chairs for next year. Kim will help as a consultant
- Joe Kozminski - Board of Education Member
 - Main Topics are still Return to Learn Plan for 2021-2022 school year
 - Welcome to new BOE Members, Tony Casey & Mandy McMillian
 - Reminder of Vaccination Clinic May 22nd

Administration Reports:

Guest Speaker: Stephanie Posey - D203 Updates and 2021/2022 Expectations

- Thank you to Jay Wachtel Principal
- Focus is on the upcoming school year. 5 day in person learning and alternatives.
- Lots of focus on reacclimating students and staff back into the school and in person transitions. Will hire extra staff members to assist in SEL support.
- Learning loss for the 2020-21 school year is a concern, but not as much feared. Focus will be on areas of needs based on tests scores that are starting to be reviewed at the district level.

Jay Wachtel - Principal

- Reiterated the focus on fall school year and the transitions for students and staff.
- 2021-22 Online Annual Update is in process on Infinite Campus for parents.
- Registration Dates:

- Thurs. August 12th
 - Morning Session: Freshman
 - Afternoon Session: Seniors
- Fri. August 13th
 - Morning Session: Sophomores
 - Afternoon Session: Juniors
- Student ID's will be the previous school year's picture. Even for incoming Freshman. Yearbook pics will be taken first week of school in gym classes

Jen Baumgartner - Student Activities

- Prom was last weekend. Low turn out however ,the event for kids that did attend went well under the circumstances.
- Parents should get on the Remind App for their kids' graduating year.
- Incoming Freshman & Sophomore Jamboree:
 - Students Only this year! No parents to help keep spacing Covid safe
 - June 7, rain date on June 8th
 - Incoming Fresh: 7:15-8:15
 - Sophomore: 6-7pm
 - Sport and club representatives will be in areas of school. kids will receive map of areas.
- Planning a School Year kick off outside for our 50 year anniversary.

A motion to adjourn was made by Carrie Meilke and seconded by Pam Biederman All in favor. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:31 am.

Next Home & School Meeting:

- **September 14th @ 9:00am (tentative)**