HSA General Meeting
September 16, 2020
8:30 via Zoom

Welcome: Gina Reynen: Welcome. Thank you for joining us this morning**.**

Schoolwide Programs

Membership: Juliet Johansson: Thanks for joining us. HSA is a group of parents, teachers and administrators who support our children and their teachers by filling in gaps the district doesn't fill. Our fundraising and membership contributions to Harbordale include paying for the Accelerated Reader program, Scholastic News, school agendas, iReady, etc. Membership also keeps you involved and in-the-know about what's going on at school through a weekly email, coordination of volunteers/liaisons, etc. Since we have fewer fundraisers this year, we are asking for additional donations to supplement our budget if you are able. How do you sign up? Go to Harbordalehsa.com and then click "How to become a member."

Class Liaisons: Eva Shoop-Shafor: The following classes still need liaisons: Zenny, Glasser, Chee, Dixon, Rothenberg/Dinwiddy. Otherwise, this week you should be contacted by your class liaison to request contact info and to share some form of chat contact (like WhatsApp). If you haven't, let me know at roomparents@harbordalehsa.com. Thursday is Ms. Hardison's birthday!

Website: Lori DiRocco: I handle the website and weekly newsletter. Website will be the best area to find what you need regarding membership, the calendar, etc. Email via. Mailchimp will send you a verification, so please accept it and check junk mail if you don't see it. Follow us on Facebook! @harbordalehsa

Upcoming Events

Yearbook Cover Contest: Maria Chinda: It'll be an interesting yearbook since it's been a historical year. We need to work on getting a cover. We will hold a cover contest. I will need help getting pictures from home schooling situation. Contest is Oct-Nov. Be on the lookout for a flyer in the red folders. I want to keep the nautical theme, but also take into account the pandemic.

HSA Business:

Election of HSA Board of Directors: Eva Shoop-Shafor: Nominees for the Board include:

- President – **Gina Reynen**
- Vice President of Fundraising – **Sandy Stetter**
- Vice President of Communications – **Lori DiRocco**
- Vice President of Membership – **Juliet Johansson**
- Assistant to VP Membership – **Jackie Carlson**
- Vice President of Public Relations –**Maria Chinda**
- Treasurer – **Maryann Cockerille**
- Assistant Treasurer – **Cheryl Hinkson**
- Secretary – **Eva Shoop-Shafor**
- Parliamentarian –**Kelly Dean**

Kelly Dean: We vote every year in May, but because of Coronavirus we were unable to vote last spring. Are there any questions? Let's vote with a show of hands since we are all muted. (all hands up). Any objections? (No objections raised.) The vote has passed.

Review and Approval of the 2020-2021 Budget: Maryann Cockerille: This year's budget was based on fundraising from last year. When we looked at the budget this year, we realized we wouldn't be able to do much fundraising, so we split this year's budget in half, so we could donate to next year. $71,000 in account. $9,000 in restricted (not HSA to spend) from class funds, Student Council, etc. We have $62,000 of HSA funds in our account. Fundraisers are limited to membership at this point. As of now, we have $510 towards membership and $777 in donations. Scholastic has $459 donated. We have budgeted for $2,950 from fundraising. Expenses: We've cut a lot including extracurricular/field day and the $200 we typically give teachers at the start of the year, and we've adjusted to keep mini-grants, incentives for the reading program, Scholastic News, agendas, etc. Our website costs $2,500. We expect to spend $24,900 this year. Before we approve, we need to amend budget to allow an increase for technology by $1,200. Motioned by Rinear Coultier. Seconded by Cheryl Hinkson. All were in favor.

Approval of the budget: Gina Reynen: Any questions? I'd like to call for a motion to approve the budget. Motioned by Rinear Coulter. Seconded by Sandy Stetter. All in favor of approving as amended, raise hands. (hands raised) If anyone is opposed to budget as amended, please raise hands (no hands). Budget passed as amended.

Rinear C.: Why limit fundraising? Gina: We are hesitant to ask businesses and parents for money. When we made the budget, we were tentative about what was happening. Talk to Sandy about ideas.

Maryann C.: Anything we do this year will go towards next year's budget. Gina: This is advantageous. Because we raised so much last year, we are in a good place.

Moe M.: Do we need more money into internet maintenance to help with website? Gina: We can look at technology budget moving forward.

Maria C.: We do have some Harbordale polos left. We need to decide if we'll order some. This is a fundraiser. Gina: We can add this to agenda. Moe: Maybe we can raise money with special e-learning shirts.

Arielle: We are kindergarten parents. Are we definitely going back to school Oct. 5? Gina: No. In terms of uniforms, what should we do? (Mrs. Bucolo addresses later)

Survey about future HSA meetings: Gina Reynen: A survey from the HSA will be going out to poll what time works the best for future meetings.

Principal's Message

Mrs. Bucolo: Thanks to the Board and everyone here. We have a phenomenal school. I'm proud to have all of you here. There is lots of angst, apprehension and confusion, but we are here to work as a team. We will get through this.

Our teacher of the year is Ms. Brotman, and our non-instructional employee of the year is Mr. Chad. We are very proud of them!

Enrollment: 465 students currently. Projections were 506. We are 40 students low due to home schooling, virtual school, private school, etc. The district has 7000 fewer students. I think we will have some students return. District is not allowing transfers between schools. There will be no reassignments unless you are military or a staff member. E-learning is going smoothly generally speaking. Other counties will have to add missed instructional days, but we've kept our calendar intact. Our days off will stay similar. There have been challenges but successes. We have Dolphin Doings, guidance with Mrs. Bureau, our reading coach Mrs.

Gordon, and iReady diagnostic tests in reading and math are almost done (per district). We will adjust as necessary when we get back. ESE groups are happening as well. Paraprofessionals are pulling groups too. Issues so far aren't too bad. K&1st are using packets. 2nd-5th have to work with what's on Canvas.

News from Mr. Runcie: I had a principals' meeting Friday, but much of what we were told changed by yesterday. Oct. 5 is his target date. The School Board meeting is Tuesday. We will see what changes are made. Once we have plans, I will call a virtual meeting to discuss them. You will get a survey (staff – come to building or choose not to; parents – come back to campus or remain in e-learning to continue through January with no changes allowed). We are desperately looking forward to our families returning. It's very different to run a school without children. We have lots to do to get ready. We've made an isolation room in back of teachers' lounge in case there is a student or staff member exhibiting Covid like symptoms. It will be staffed by a nurse or health tech. We will also have our regular clinic for other illnesses. We moved faculty lounge to stage, so they have an area to relax during breaks. The cafeteria is cut in half via a portable door, so there are 2 sections. The back part has sections of 15 desks for an overflow room. The front has nothing, but might need desks or tables. I can't make decisions until I know how many students will come back to school. Each classroom has 15 desks with 6 feet distance (including K). All extra furniture has been removed. Kindergarten has extra desks for overflow. Teachers will continue e-learning model for face-to-face. Teacher will use laptop; it will be challenging. Cafeteria will either offer grab and go lunches or delivery. Students will probably eat in classrooms. Plexiglass was given by the district for the front office, media center and cafeteria, along with signs and indoor floor stickers. Masks will be required for everyone. No sharing of materials. Limit movement. Schedule of washing hands. Regarding uniforms: we expect students will wear uniforms. We have extra for those in need. Bring a backpack. I'm not sure about laptops going back and forth. We don't have enough school laptops for everyone who did not already request one. This may be an issue. Charging will be an issue. Arrival/dismissal will be a challenge, and transportation is a huge issue. There is the possibility start time for school may change due to bus schedule. Students might want breakfast (free). Where do early students sit? Walk up dismissal may be a problem. We may need to go to all parent pickup (driver) or maybe a staggered pickup. The goal is to get back to school. Most teachers want to come back as well. There are ups and downs. If things aren't working, there will be changes. We will learn. Thank you for patience.

Questions:

Talia G.: My household went through Covid. It takes a month and a half to get out of your system. I'm glad students will have same curriculum staying home. What happens when teachers are infected? Mrs. Bucolo: District will discuss. We have 1 pool sub. If there are breakouts at school, district will give guidance regarding closing, and we pivot to e-learning. Talia: will there be a policy re: testing? Mrs. Bucolo: District will put the policy in place that takes into consideration HIPPA laws, etc.

Dafne A.: Regarding break activities: how will student expel energy? Mrs. Bucolo: If District allows, we will use different outdoor areas for students to go out and unwind. We probably won't use playground equipment. Dafne: Students have various similar symptoms. How will you discern? Mrs. Bucolo: We know some students have allergies and chronic issues like that. That will be for nurse to decide.

Talarico: Will kids use their computers for in-class instruction? Mrs. Bucolo: Yes, so far that is the plan.

Cheryl H.: Has there been talk about PPE, sanitizing, etc.? Mrs. Bucolo: We will not be able to move students around. They will stay in their section. Custodians will sanitize high touch areas 2x a day. Hand washing and sanitizing will be important. They must stay at their own desk and use their own supplies. Regarding shared books, we will figure that out.

Jerry R.: Regarding overflow: If there are extra students how are they rotated? Mrs. Bucolo: K & 2nd are not an issue. 1st, 3rd-5th have over 15 students per class. Hopefully some will stay home. If there is an overflow, various sections will be designated per grade. A/B schedule: A: classroom with teacher B: overflow location with staff. There would be a rotation to make it fair. This will take coordination. Moe: Is this based on a hybrid schedule? Mrs. Bucolo: No. This is a full time schedule. We want to facilitate everyone who wants to come back. The survey is from the district.

Jackie C.: Can parents volunteer in class to help with little ones? Mrs. Bucolo: It depends on the district. If there are more people in the room, students would need to be removed potentially.

Eva S.: Will we still have a school resource officer? Mrs. Bucolo: We will still have Ms. Hughley and Mr. Jose.

Mrs. Bucolo: NO events, assemblies, etc. right now. We will try to be creative regarding yearbook and the fun stuff to try to make it the type of environment the kids will want to come back to.

Veronica D.: What about teachers who don't want to be on campus? Would dedicated teachers just teach online only? Mrs. Bucolo: Teachers have already received survey. Their choice is coming back or taking a leave of absence. There is a lot of controversy. If teacher does do the remote piece, they'd have to take several grade levels probably.

Mrs. Bucolo: When we know more, we will hold a meeting. Our campus footprint is different than other schools.

Sandy Stetter: Meeting adjourned at 9:58am.