HSA General Meeting
April 21, 2021 @ 8:30am via Zoom

Welcome (Gina Reynen)

Budget (Maryann Cockerille): $68,706 in account. Restricted funds: $8,000 so $60,648 left in account including money raised this year and budgeted for next year and not spent. Income: Walkathon, Membership & Donations. Expenses: Mostly 0 balances, but most expenses have been spent. Mini-grants are almost all gone. Reading funds are all gone. Total expenses: $17,471 spent so far. We budgeted $25,350. We are $7,878 underbudget at this point. Normally budget is around $40,000. We'll have $52,000 divided between next year and the following year's budgets. Mrs. Bucolo suggested we be cautious and not expect too many fund raisers next year.

Teacher Appreciation (Jackie Carlson): Teacher/Staff Appreciation is next week. HSA will be catering lunch for staff on Wed. Quarterdeck is giving us a great deal on lunch and is donating drinks and deserts. We will give gift cards to all staff with remaining funds. We are still taking donations on HSA website.

Individual teachers: Classroom Liaisons will be reaching out with information on how to celebrate your teachers. If you haven't heard from your liaison, dm me, and I'll get you info.

Yearbook (Maria Chinda): Yearbook has been put away; it's done. Sales are moving. We might not end up owing money, so we can have it roll over to next year or sent to us as a check. Maryanne: I'd rather have a check. Maria: We won't know until all books are sold/in. We need to decide how to distribute the books and whether to do in-person selling. We need to ask Mrs. Bucolo about in-person selling. We currently have sold $3,793 (including ads & nameplates) & 103 yearbooks. Lori: We had them pay online (only) and had them pick up in office. This helps us track orders. When we opened for cash sales in the past, it was too crazy. Maria: will kids in school be able to sign yearbooks? Mrs. Bucolo: We are in the midst of deciding. In the past we printed pamphlets for students who did not buy a yearbook, so they had something to sign.

Nominations (Eva Shoop-Shafor): Most HSA positions for next year have volunteers, and we don't yet know what we'll be allowed to do next year, but we are staffing all positions. We are still looking for volunteers for the following Chairs/Coordinators: Box tops, Bulletin Board, Parent Social, Room Parent, Sandwich Board, Volunteer, Bingo Night. Lori: We need to post nominations before we vote in May. We can post on website.

Book Fair & Read-a-Thon (Sandy Stetter): Sales end today $2,300 in Scholastic book sales. Read-a-Thon has brought in about $500. Thank you everyone!

Principal's Update (Mrs. Bucolo & Mrs. Kashdin): We are in FSA testing season now. 3rd grade was smooth as we brought back students from home. 4th grade was yesterday for Writing. Today is 5th grade Writing for all students. This was good practice for our May dates, since nearly every date in May is testing (3rd math, 4th reading & math, 5th reading, math & science). I'm confident it'll be continue to be smooth. Dates will be released today. Executive order from Governor said students were expected to take tests, but we should not use results for retention decisions. Scores should be released at the end of June for 3rd

grade and end of July for 4th and 5th. This will be helpful to learn where gaps are and what strengths and weaknesses are, so we can hone in. We will not be graded as a school. We will revert to our old grade of A.

We will start with alternative assessments to see if children will meet criteria for promotion. Additionally, primary students will take end-of-year reading assessments on 28-29 April (2nd) and May 13-14th (1st). I-Ready diagnostic 3 is a requirement for all students. Window is opening next week to see how students are doing (growth/progress/promotion criteria). 1st diagnostic was given at home, so data is unreliable.

Enrollment: We have more students every day. We have 19% at home and 81% at school. We are hovering at 478 enrolled. Budget season has opened, and we are beginning to prepare for next year. We are budgeted for 485 students. We will meet if not exceed that.

Kindergarten Round Up will be this Friday at 9am virtually. We will give an introduction, introduce some staff and show some videos. We are hoping to record it, so we can share with new families.

Summer School: Registration is open for Pre-k through high school. Schedule will be half days M-Th., June 21-July 29 with free breakfast/lunch to fill in gap. It will be face-to-face at Cresent Park.

End of Year Activities: 5th grade graduation: we are not permitted to have visitors on campus. We will look at having our 5th graders walk across stage and either live stream or tape it. We will have activities for 5th graders. K-4 will have some kind of class awards ceremony connected to Teams. This will be in the beginning of June.

New Covid protocols: Quarantine rules still include distanced desks and masks. District has offered new protocols regarding quarantine. If a student/staff member tests positive, we no longer have to quarantine entire class. Teachers are to hand in a seating chart. If there is a positive case, we are notified, we look at where student is sitting, and only students around positive student will be quarantined. Then we will look if student has tested positive within 90 days or staff member has been vaccinated; if so, they will not be quarantined. We are grateful to have 2 nurses to guide us. Just recently we have had to quarantine a partial class. We need to be extra strict about classroom and lunch seating. We don't yet know what next year will look like. Mrs. Kashdin: New guidelines are modified based on new CDC guidelines. This is one reason why students coming from home for testing are being kept separate from in-school students. Kelly: What about other kids a child is near, for instance, playing with at recess? Mrs. Kashdin: We go back to CDC guidelines which specify a specific amount of time of contact or time in contact without mask. At recess, there is open air and less contact time. Mrs. Bucolo: It's a case by case basis.

Traffic (Mrs. Kashdin): It was brought to our attention traffic is a concern, so we want everyone in the loop. Traffic has always been a top priority and concern with our small property and the number of people we bring. Current issues are due to fewer students participating in after care. Also, we don't have a walker area as in past, so more students are using car loop. At the start of school year, we were given guidance that security must monitor open gates. Gates are shut right at 8am. Most recently, due to more students returning, we revisited our pickup area. We are loading from 1:50-2pm two lanes (double capacity). Line was too long and presented a dangerous traffic situation. At 2pm, we can let 20-25 cars go now. We've been able to keep the line ending by 2:15. We are holding back walkers who live right by the neighborhood or don't have a car until 2:10, so they don't

impede the traffic leaving loop. We continue to work on this issue to make it as efficient as possible.

Cheryl: I have to commend you on the amazing job you do getting students out in that short amount of time. Kelly: Pickup was improved yesterday. Mrs. Kashdin: Thanks to the staff that keep it running. I appreciate everyone involved. Mrs. Bucolo: Mrs. Kashdin has developed a new process, so I commend her. Thanks to the staff members as they don't have to be out there in the afternoon. They are working as a team to make sure students get home safely and efficiently. We appreciate your patience.

Questions:

Take your child to work day: Eva: Will it be solely virtual this year or do we have option to take them to a safe workplace? Mrs. Kashdin: It will be a virtual experience this year. Support staff will offer a virtual experience. Teachers will have activities in classroom. National Take Your Child to Work website has opportunities as well.

Sandy Stetter closed the meeting at 9:28am.