

HSA General Meeting  
2/17/21 8:30am via Zoom

**Welcome:** Gina Reynen. Thank you for being here today. Our agenda is shorter today which will give us a chance to delve into some of the projects we're working on.

**Nominations:** Gina Reynen: If you aren't currently in a position with the HSA, we'd love to have you assist us in next year's different positions. These include positions we're not utilizing this year. We will start formalizing the nominations process soon. If you're interested ask me or someone else on the Board. A lot of projects are short in nature. We're not looking for huge time commitments, but we need you.

**Fundraisers:** Sandy Stetter: Walk-a-Thon final results: 1. Lilly Shafor 2. Sebastian Stetter 3. Chloe Hinkson were top earners. Logan Sosnowski was the most active. Mrs. Ferraro's class won a dress down day. \$15,335.00 raised. Thank you for all of the student and parent participation. By keeping the fundraiser open after official close, we earned an extra \$950. 149 students registered. 437 donations were given from 24 states and 5 countries. We had local businesses donate all but 1<sup>st</sup> prize. Over 40 prizes were given out.

**Principal's Message:** Mrs. Bucolo: I was speechless at the earnings from the Walk-a-Thon. Thank you for all of your hard work. I hope everyone had a wonderful long weekend. There is an early release day tomorrow with 12pm dismissal with school on Friday.

**Enrollment:** campus is alive again with all of the students. 353 students are on campus & 121 are off campus. 75% are back. We will be close to 78-80% soon, which is one of highest percentages in the district. We are still social distancing and have had to move desks to keep distance in larger classes. We are trying to come up with solutions as challenges happen. Our largest in-school grade is 1<sup>st</sup> with 20.

**Reassignment window closed.** We have 83 applications. I don't know if they will be approved due to the social distancing piece. We will see what District wants to do. Arrival car line has grown. Only students, staff and a few visitors are allowed to come into our bubble. Dismissal is becoming a challenge because kids are sitting, spaced and waiting for cars. We also have busses for Methodist and karate, and there is Sunshine. Lunch has had to be adjusted.

**Marquis:** Most of you have seen our brand new marquis. This took 2 years. Mr. Biggs has had training about how to add messages. It's got the Harbordale logo, an American flag and large letters.

**Smart Bond:** Our school was approved for facilities improvements (roof and HVAC). They are repairing/replacing back roofs and replacing A/C units. A team came in to start looking and work must be approved by Board. It will take 2 summers, as it's a very big job.

Marjorie Stoneman Douglas Day: Mrs. Bureau did a project that was cute and inspiring with pictures of students in a giant heart. It's behind WHBD and was tweeted out.

Valentine's Day: It's very difficult to do activities, but the teachers really wanted to do something. We quarantined valentines and had activities. We'll continue to organize activities in the future.

We are doing virtual field trips. Mr. Ciotti is doing the SEAS field trip, Black Violins, and he's bringing the opera for some grade levels, live streamed.

School tours: We've been giving virtual school tours for new families who want to see the school.

ELO camps: Extended learning opportunities from the District. Several teachers volunteered to work the camps 2 days a week 3-4:15 virtually. We identified students in lowest quartile who might benefit from assistance in reading and math. District offers Bria for any family – homework help from teachers in the District. Department of Health inspected the school yesterday for health/safety issues. It's very thorough. We got a "satisfactory," so I'm very proud. Kudos to Mr. Chad and his whole team.

End of year activities: I don't know what they'll look like. Last year we put together activities virtually. I'm not sure if we can have 5<sup>th</sup> graders walk across stage. We will have something, but we don't know what.

**Yearbook:** Gina Reynen: Maria is still working hard to get the yearbook put together, but she can use your help with pictures. Please send pictures to her from class and home [yearbook@harbordalehsa.com](mailto:yearbook@harbordalehsa.com) or via app by end of month. Ads also wrap up by March 1. You can do an ad for your student, 5<sup>th</sup> grader or business. Purchase your yearbook @ [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com). Sales open until May 1.

Question: Ulrica: App is requesting school code. Eva: It seems to be Harbordale.

**Box Tops:** If you have any, bring them into school quickly. I have to send them out by next Friday. Check expiration date. School gets cash for each. All we have to do is mail them in. Box Tops program is moving digitally. Go to Box Tops for Education for online purchases or to scan Publix receipts.

**Budget:** Maryanne Cockerille: \$59,843 total in account. \$8,157 is restricted funds. HSA has \$51,686 which isn't bad considering our budget has been cut due to Covid. Fundraising: Donations, Holiday Shop (we only got 20%), Membership, T-shirts, Walk-a-thon. We are still waiting for checks from Fundhub. Expenses: most have been cut. Admin, bank charges, cards/gifts, emergency snacks, gardens, hospitality (\$250), incentives (\$329), mini grants, reading (\$1000), day minders, Scholastic (donations helped us spend less), staff teacher appreciation, tech, website, and yearbook remain. We have \$40,000 for next year.

Questions: Anders: After success of virtual Walk-a-Thon, do we need to reconsider spending for rest of year? Maybe we need to see what the teachers need now for end of year. Maybe this is a way for HSA to fill in the gap. Mrs. Bucolo: District has been very generous regarding cleaning supplies. Regarding school supplies: kids no longer can share, so we ask parents to help with individual supplies. Gina: Typically, we raise money to provide the next year's budget. At the beginning of the year, we were apprehensive about the potential for fundraising, so we split this year for next year too. The Board meets with Mrs. Bucolo each month, and we have 2 teachers as part of HSA to represent the teacher/staff. We also have a mini-grant program that has already been used by heads of the grade levels to supplement various needs. If there is a need, we will definitely fill it. Maryanne: In the past, we have adjusted the budget when we had extra money, and there was a need (like the \$20,000 we spent on computers last year). Mrs. Bucolo: As we get close to end of the year, if we are still in the same Covid 2.0 restrictions, we can start to bring in virtual field trips, etc.

Gina: A team of people is starting to work on book fair and read-a-thon. Any update on FSA testing? Mrs. Bucolo: Testing starts on April 6<sup>th</sup> (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> writing and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading). Calendar is the same. No further info on students at home other than that they will need to come to school. Testing may be in cafeteria. There are lots of unknowns. Testing can determine middle school placement, so we need to take it seriously. Primary: I assume there will be some kind of assessment, but I don't know what.

Closing: Gina Reynen: Thank you for being here and taking time to join us. See you next month.