

DRAFT UNITL APPROVED AT OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

HSA General Meeting 9/22/2021 8:30am via Zoom

Welcome: (Jackie Carlson, President): Thank you for joining us at our 2nd HSA meeting where we meet to raise additional funds for our kids. If you have additional questions, please type them in the chat, and we will get them answered. I want to welcome all returning and new families. I hope you've had a chance to sign up for HSA membership for only \$10 a family.

Schoolwide Programs

- a) **Membership** (Chantal Manno, VP Membership)
 - a. Popcorn Party, Membership Drive: We are kicking off a membership drive on Oct. 1. The class with the most HSA signups will win a popcorn party. Mrs. Vaughn's class is in the lead with Mrs. Guerrero a 2nd. Tell parents in your class! The link is in the chat.
- b) **Volunteering** (Christina Currie, Volunteer Chair) Opportunities to volunteer: volunteers willing to organize uniform closet, help with car loop (go to front office to get badge), volunteer in gardens, dates soon to help organize the library. The county has a volunteer application process (on website). There is a delay, but front office will work with you if you applied.
- c) **Adopt a Class** (Kelly Dean, AAC Coordinator) Adopt a Class is going really well. Front office is sending out a list with each teacher's status, so you know how much your teacher has been adopted. A few teachers waiting for 1st adoption: Fitzgerald, Hanley, Kupferman, Bureau, Gordon. The generosity has been fantastic, and the teachers are so appreciative. Thank you to everyone who has contributed.
- d) **Room Parents** (Eva Shoop-Shafor, Room Parent Coordinator) Thank you to all who have volunteered as Room Parents. I am still in need of people to help with the Staff, such as Guidance and ESE, and Specials teachers. Please contact me at roomparents@harbordalehsa.com if you are interested.
- e) **Fundraising** (Sandy Stetter, VP Fundraising)
 - a. **Dine Out to Donate:** Monday 9/27 at Tarpon River Brewery. Dine out to Donate is my favorite fundraiser because it's so simple. You can take the night off cooking and donate back to our school. Restaurant will donate back 20% of purchases to the school. You have the opportunity to hang out with friends and staff while giving back to school. Class with the most participation will receive a donut party. Enter by dropping your receipt into the raffle box (with student and teacher's name on it) or email to fundraising@harbordalehsa.com Just by turning in receipt, parents will be entered to win a \$25 gift card. Email with questions.
- f) **Merchandise and Yearbooks** (Maria Chinda, VP Public Relations)
 - a. Merchandise: Thank you for your patience. The beginning of the year has been busy, and we are working on getting more sizes. We may have some t-shirts at open house, and we will sell gently used Friday shirts for \$1. If you want to volunteer in the uniform closet you can email me or Christina Currie at volunteers@harbordalehsa.com
 - b. Yearbook: I'm working on the layout. I've gotten a helper to help proofreading. This year it will be easier to get pictures in school. I will send out a flyer about SNAP, an app you can use to download pictures to the yearbook site. Room Parents who are in class should try to take pictures in class. Take pictures at school events and share them. This will help me fill the yearbook. I appreciate the help. Yearbook cover contest flyer will go out in future weeks. Winning picture will get the cover of the yearbook.

HSA Business

- a) **Budget** (Maryann Cockerille, Treasurer) \$60,560 in account. \$10,392 is in Restricted Funds (not for us to spend). We hold money for groups like Adopt a Class in Restricted Funds. This money is carried over each year. Our general budget is not carried over. \$50,167 left in account for HSA. Left column is what we spent, 2nd column is what we budgeted, 3rd column is if we're over/under budget. Fundraiser income: we have donations over budget, membership is about half of budget, t-shirts is over budget. Expenses: administration, emergency snacks, hospitality, incentives, mini-grants, misc., A/R, Scholastic News (way under budget due to donations),

teacher allotments of \$100 each, technology (Flex Math program requested from teachers), website, yearbook (last year's money is showing).

A word from our Principal (Mrs. Bucolo) We have 80 participants today! Thank you for coming.

Enrollment: Our enrollment is 490 students. The district is down students, but we are not. Our classes are all up to 18-24 students. My budget did not get surplused. We have no extra rooms at all. Every resource room is taken. Because of 3 feet we are separating students, we use stage, lobby and picnic tables for lunch.

Open House was delayed due to surge. There will be 2 sessions. Wed. 9/29 K-2nd @ 6-6:45 and Wed. 10/6 3rd - 5th @ 6-6:45. One parent will go directly to the classroom. No children please. We will sanitize after. HSA can put a table outside to sell shirts.

Volunteering: Thank you to Mrs. Streicher for helping with car doors. You can just come in, get a badge from the front office and help out. I feel it's safer for students and helps traffic issues. Media Center: We will begin to open Media Center to check out books, and we will need help shelving books. Ms. Dria will work on that schedule, so contact her or tell me. Uniform Room: We need help with mountains of uniforms. You can also help teachers at home. At this time, we are trying to prevent further quarantining. Visitors must sign classroom log. If there is a case in room, visitor goes on direct contact list. We are trying to limit amount of people on campus. We had an initial surge of cases, but then it stopped. We had one case last week. Hopefully we will continue to have few, so we can re-evaluate .

Covid testing/protocol is starting for those students who want testing. Nurse Sara will do it in clinic. Tests will come from Dept. of Health. If you do not want to do this, we won't. No form = no testing. If you want it done, you need to sign the form for the rapid test.

Perhaps we will move to face-to-face HSA meeting in cafeteria in the future (Oct. or Nov.).

Clubs: We are starting clubs, beginning with 5th grade WHBD anchors, safety patrol and peace rangers. We will be deliberate, so we don't mix students. We will add in more groups in the future. The goal is to start making this an elementary school with things going on/excitement.

Thanks to HSA for picnic tables (Sandy S.) Calvin put them together. Current tables have taken a beating.

New reading series: Benchmark Advance. Teachers received 8 pallets. You'll start to see new materials come home. You'll hear more at Open House. It's district wide. Go Math has not changed, but it will change next year.

A/R: Thank you for providing this. AR (paid by HSA) and I-Ready (paid for by District) are up and running. Use it at home, it's a good program.

Smart Bond: About 6 years ago, each school was awarded money for capital improvements. We have money for roofs and a/c for old buildings (music, K, media center, art, 1st grade, custodial area). Roofs will be replaced or repaired. They wanted to start in August, but I said no. We are on hold now. They are thinking Nov./Dec. We will let you know.

Joint Use Agreement for the big playground is on hold. They are re-assessing what they will do and what funds will be needed.

New Principal: I don't know who it is or have input. Dr. Straus was here on 9/8 for staff input to find out what type of leader staff would like to see (Mrs. Kashdin and Mrs. Bucolo were not present). The meeting was held in the evening for community members and parents. I am waiting to hear when they will start interviews. Mrs. Kashdin did apply. Ad went out a week ago and ended last Friday. The District handles it from now. To my knowledge, Dr. Strauss said they have to have the name to the Board by 10/8 for meeting 10/12. It will be a quick turnaround. I am here until 11/5. It is business as usual. I will be involved in making sure there's a seamless transition.

We are hoping to get back some events like change Challenge Challenge.

Questions:

Marcos V.: Has there been any discussion about critical race theory and changing curriculums? Mrs. Bucolo: Most of changes come from the state. We've had no notice. Benchmark Advance does not include critical race theory. I will let you know if there are changes.

Sarah S: A/R is only available during school hours. Will this change? Mrs. Bucolo: We were forced to open A/R due to Pandemic. It is no longer open after school hours to ensure validity to the tests and student is taking them alone.

New Business

- a) **Fence Coverings** (Sandy Stetter) One concern we brought up recently is that back area where basketball and playground are is open. In the past there was covering and plants designed by a parent. Only the chain link is left now, so people driving by can see through. We are looking for anyone interested in chairing a campaign to find a solution. Please email me at fundraising@harabordalehsa.com

Christina C.: Does county have guidelines for security? Have you consulted with police about recommendations?

Sandy: I have not. In the past we had plastic mesh with the plants.

Christina: I recommend consulting with security at city and county. Mrs. Bucolo: Once we make a decision, I do call District for approval. In the past we had generous parents put up the screens (after Parkland). It looked nice and covered both sides on Miami Road and side by Quarterdeck. We'd check with safety before we go forth. They may give us guidance. They speak with City of Ft. Lauderdale as well.

- b) **Approve minutes** from previous meeting: (Kelly Dean, Parliamentarian) Minutes from meeting are posted on website. Are there any corrections? (No corrections raised) A motion was made by Christina Currie and seconded by Chantal Manno to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2021 meeting. The motion passed.

Adjourned at 9:16am