

## **PPAS PTA MEETING via ZOOM**

### **November 19, 2020**

Meeting called to order at 6:32PM  
Waive reading of the minutes

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- Executive board met last week and discussed fundraising and By-Laws.

#### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

- Discussion of school shut down
- Possible return after Thanksgiving on Monday, November 30th if the city falls below the 3% COVID infection rate.
- Confident that the school year will return to normal in September with the implementation of a vaccine.
- Pupil Path notices for students to stick to their schedule for remote learning.
- Calendar of live classes will be released on Monday, November 23rd through Pupil Path.
- 8th grade families will be invited into a Zoom meeting via Pupil Path to discuss high school applications.
- 9th grade families have the option go through the high school application process to transfer schools
- Zoom chat request for more live instruction - teachers are only required to have 1 day of live teaching
- Students are not required to have their cameras on, however teachers will reach out to a student that is regularly in class with a camera off.
- Awaiting State decision about Regent exams.
- No graduation date for 12th graders yet. Will confirm soon. Graduation will likely be virtual.
- College board exams prep courses continue virtually. Awaiting decision on exam procedures.
- AP exams will happen in person, in the building, in the Spring.
- Handful of teachers are conducting live classes via video in the PPAS building, most are working from home.
- Any students that need books for classes, they can be picked up at the front door of the school.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- \$113,000 in bank account
- \$8000.00 donations over the last 4 months from monthly commitments
- \$11,500 private donation

- Need to come up with more fund to supplement departments

#### PARENT COORDINATOR'S REPORT - Teri Gindi

- PPAS PTA is attached to Amazon Smile for donations, link is on PTA website
- Support for parents and students is always available, especially in these trying times
- Stop & Shop has a kickback program for PPAS

#### DANCE DELEGATES REPORT - Dawn

- Had a successful virtual Curriculum & Cocktail event with parents

#### MIDDLE SCHOOLS DELEGATES REPORT - Leslie

- Working on fundraiser for Waterwell with Drama Delegates- raised a ¼ of goal so far
- Suggestion to have a Meet & Greet with parents

#### MUSICAL THEATER DELEGATES REPORT - Dana

- Had a fun parent mixer

#### VOCAL DELEGATES REPORT - Stephanie

- Had a parent mixer last night
- Soiree scheduled for next week
- Messiah sing-a-long planned

#### FUNDRAISING REPORT - Mark & Carol Ann

- \$12,000 has been raised over the last 2 months - 25% of goal
- \$10,000 donation from a fund in Minnesota
- Additional campaigns will be emailed to solicit donations
- Art auction planned (before Christmas) with artists' donated works - 50% of proceeds go to PPAS - Contact: Jackie Fuchs 631-880-1711
- Redoing the school website - will be completed by the next school year
- Mask fundraiser planned - choice of colors, 2-ply hybrid cotton cloth masks, adjustable ear loops, 2 sizes available, costume design vendor
- Motions for mask fundraiser and art auction were passed
- Suggestion to set up ecommerce website to sell remaining PPAS merchandise
- Suggestion by Danielle Powers to have a Zoom Talent Show to raise PTA funds - Virtual Slam
- Suggestion by Jackie Fuchs to auction baskets of PPAS merchandise

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Highly encourage parents to check Employer Match programs for donations

- Suggestion by Jackie Fuchs - Virtual “clothing line” fundraiser for the holidays  
-anonymous wishlists and donations for families in need- can possibly be done through Amazon -Keith & Teri will look into it
- Teri will send out link for upcoming Actor’s panel

TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Bring in college counseling team to discuss their role

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020 6:30PM

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:36PM