AHS PTSA Meeting October 17th 2018

Meeting start: 7:04 pm

<u>Attendees:</u> Lesley Harrison, Eva Czukkermann, Claudette Mack, Juan Zucchero, Jessica Jaeb, Christopher Babb, John Timm, Christine Lent, Jeanne Desire, Jessica Gomez, Paula Morro Wrafter, Kelly Williams, Spencer Koonin, Emme Magliato, Sylvia Mazzelli

A quorum was present.

<u>President's Report</u> - Kelly has investigated the cost of the proposed water refill stations for the cafeterias and found that 3 would cost \$3274, so we will be working with the district to purchase 3 water refill stations and get them installed.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> – The minutes from our meeting on September 20th were presented. Christine Lent made a motion to accept them as written, Eva Czukkermann seconded it and all present passed the minutes.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Sylvia Mazzelli reported that our income from spirit wear currently stands at \$18,442.64 and our expenses are currently \$11028.50. Income from membership is currently \$1139. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Claudette Mack and seconded by Paula Morro Wrafter and was passed by those present.

Student Government Report from Spencer Koonin and Emme Magliato -

- HoCo Fest about 400 people came and enjoyed carnival games, a DJ, dunk tank and food. Everyone had good fun and enjoyed the fun prizes.
- Spirit week was incentivized as each student could sign in in their house office each day to show their spirit and those who participated each day got to ride on the homecoming floats.
- Senior Pep Rally was cancelled due to rain, they are trying to work out an alternate senior event.
- Screenagers the students will be watching it next Wednesday, followed by a discussion. There is a community viewing at 7pm next Wednesday. Every Friday they have been showing a trailer in the main lobby.
- Off and Away For the Day Friday Oct 26th people can pledge voluntarily to limit cell phone use.
- Open House v. successful. Had 2 booths, one showing a Screenagers trailer and one for voter registration.
- Have been working with Mrs Bellino to hand out voter registration forms during Social Studies classes.
- Upcoming Thanksgiving baskets will be packed by students from all grads and delivered by seniors
 - Caroling at the Avalon Nursing Home.
 - Spirit of Giving many clubs/classes will adopt a family for the holidays, inc student government. They will get a list of the family's wants and wrap up the gifts. Student government will adopt 4 families, one for each class.

Friends of Rachel – from Jess and Mr Babb

- This is the 11th year of Friends of Rachel, but we haven't held an assembly for a few years, but hope that holding the assembly again soon will help make everyone more compassionate.
- Recently they have added to the wall downstairs and donated to various events and organizations
- Hoping to bring the Assembly next month when Cody is also speaking at UVMS.

House of 2022 - Mr Zucchero

- Stop and Shop rewards tickets were distributed in the community and school
- Counselors are still meeting with freshmen
- 1st small schools meeting last week, thinking of a tailgate party at football game on Oct 23rd for their first event
- Looking into purchasing some games, puzzles etc for students waiting in the house office, rather than the students playing on their phones
- On Twitter starting book of the week recommendations for students to hopefully start conversations, dialog etc

House of 2021- Mr Hogaboom

- Guidance Counselors are connecting with the students
- November 1st is an after school games day organized by the small schools committee
- The Guidance Information Session, Introduction to Naviance was well attended with 150-175 parents and students present.

- Guidance Counselors are going to ELA classes to work with students on Naviance and passwords are being mailed out to parents.
- There will be an opportunity for a field trip for students, to go to BOCES to see 2 programs of the student's choosing.
- Will be looking for nominations for outstanding admirals after the report cards go out.

House of 2020 - Mr Timm

- About 600 juniors sat for the PSAT on October 13th
- Junior Planning meetings are underway and parents have been contacted
- October 24th Screenagers will be shown to all students during periods 2/3 and to the community in the evening
- October 26th is 'Off and Away for the Day', can pledge to turn phone off/use it less
- Participating in Safe Halloween on October 30th
- November 19th is the Community Service Field Trip to assist Project Hope

House of 2019 - Ms Desire

- Guidance Councilors are helping students with their collage applications.
- Senior picture day is October 22nd, during 8th period
- Will be providing cupcakes during safe Halloween.
- Need to schedule senior portraits by December for the yearbook
- Puff Bowl was last Sunday, over 100 people participated
- November 30th is the Senior in the City Trip, about 300 seniors will be going.
- Senior quotes are due, and need to be signed by parents.
- November 14th is National Honor Society induction

Council Report - Christine Lent

- District Art Fair will be in April
- A.E.F fundraiser will be a morning movie showing of Harry Potter on October 27th
- Student surveys are going out for 7-12 graders
- Reflections Artwork is due on December 2nd. Theme is 'Heroes Around Me'. Looking at a ceremony on Dec 4th.
- Next council meeting is moved to October 22nd

Membership – We currently have 150 members

<u>Spiritwear</u> – Sold spiritwear during open house very successfully, with \$4900 in credit card sales alone! Will be selling again before Screenagers

Stop and Shop A+ Rewards – Christine Lent

- The program started a month earlier than in previous years.
- So for 354 people have signed up, with \$419.19 earned last month

SEPTA - Paula Morro Wrafter

- October 25th there will be a talk about ADHD and Executive Function at Van Wyck Junior High
- October 27th there is a sensory friendly walk in Stanfordville
- The BOCES Capital Project was presented at the last meeting. There will be a public vote at central offices on December 4th
- October 27th at Arthur S May School's Touch a Truck, the first hour will be sensory friendly

Other business

• The \$3,000 Jenkins Memorial Scholarship from the NYS PTA, for those pursuing a degree in education. The application form is in the Senior Office. Each school is allowed to submit 2 applications

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 20th

Submitted by Lesley Harrison, Secretary

Approved with/without corrections Date: 11/20/18