

Strongsville High School PTA  
General Meeting  
April 15, 2021 | 9:30am  
Zoom

- I. Call to Order 9:35am
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Secretary's Report - Sarah Bass
  - A. Approval of March minutes - No questions or changes to minutes. Pass by consensus. Please turn in all volunteer hours. These are due to council by May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- IV. Treasurer's Report - Hilarie Yankello-Checking account balance \$5,123.29, after prom balance of \$3,235.50. Paid out the last \$500 scholarship, Received \$316 in parking spot raffle. Received very generous \$5,000 after prom donation from an anonymous donor. It is in the account but not reflected in the balances due to timing of the reports.
- V. Teacher's Report - Mrs. Potter: the SHS Derby is now open. It is an inclusive space where students can learn the soft skills needed for employment. Thank you to PTA for donating \$1,500 grant to get the store up and running.
  - There will be 2 new classes co-taught classes where students with disabilities will learn life and employment skills.
  - German Honors society is having their induction, 17 students will be inducted.
  - State testing begins the week of 4/19/21.
- VI. 1st Vice President - Lori Silvis-thinking about doing May meeting online with installation of officers and those that want to meet for lunch after the meeting PTA will make reservations at an outdoor venue. More info will be emailed out closer to the date.
- VII. Principal's Report - Bill Wingler-
  - End of Course exams begin week 4/19/21. These are state exams for graduation not final exams for a grad.
  - Several award ceremonies are coming up in the next few weeks. Most are students only, then live streamed. In person events must still follow the Governor's recommendations so not room for everyone to be at in person events. These rules will follow Governor recommendations and will change if those recommendations change.
  - Graduation still on as previously planned. 6 tickets, ceremony split in 2 groups and held at the stadium. Weather delays/changes might be day of event announcements. We have to do the best we can. SCS follow the Cuyahoga Board of Health rules not just the Governor's proclamations. Don't see a scenario that will allow for 1 ceremony and more tickets.
  - Prom is set-only limit on guests is no one over the age of 20 can attend as a guest. After prom is included in the ticket. Still planning on inflatables, outdoor dining room, casino, DJ, food trucks. Hoping to get volunteers there for prom and after prom. More info to follow.

- School play is 4/23/21 and 4/24/21. It will be live streamed for \$15. All that money goes directly to the play.
- AP tests start in May.
- Board meeting on 4/15/21-the board will recognize National Merit Finalist and Winter Sports teams/athletes.
- Dress code is being enforced to allow for appropriate dress at school. Hoods and masks make it difficult to recognize students and students need to dress for the school environment.
- There were no EOC exams last year. Whatever grade the student got in a class that translates to their EOC equivalent test score. An "A" is a 5, "B" is a 4, etc...

VIII. President's Report - Carrie Dewes

- Thank you to Robin Micko, Tracy Joniak, Laura & Keith Housum, Lori Silvis, Stephanie Kunovich, and Hilaire Yankello for kick-starting After Prom now that we got the green light! The wheels are in motion! Also, I appreciate Tracy for setting up the AR Workshop fundraiser.
- Thank you to our Nominating committee: Sarah Bass, Misti Schulz & Hilarie Yankello. They wrap up their final duties today presenting the slate one last time.
- Council PTA's Leadership Workshop is Thursday, May 20 at 10am via Zoom.

IX. Council Delegate's Report - Allison Applebee, Misti Schulz, Katherine Schoenberger

- Guest Speaker - Carrie Kruzycki from Right At School program. School board approved this before and after school program - Right at School. They will be supporting all 5 elementary schools. The program will be focusing on keeping kids active with fun activities, fitness, and outdoor fun. Also, will have time to help students with homework. They support special needs within their program. Safety is their #1 priority. Offer flexible 1-5-day options for students. Informational virtual events will be held April 21st 10am and 6:30pm. Links to the meeting are on Dr. Ryba's recent email.

Dr. Ryba Update -

- If parents are considering the SCS Connects virtual learning for 21/22 school year, please let Dr. Ryba know ASAP. Based on recent survey, there was not enough interest in offering this for next school year. If you are interested, please reach out to Dr. Ryba.
- Modifications to Council Bylaws and Standing Rules were proposed and approved.
- Council Scholarships - Deadline for essays was 4/1/21. Committee is working on selecting winners. The winners and counselors will be notified by next meeting 5/6/21.
- Council will be hosting a tent at the Strongsville Home Days July 14-17th for fundraising. Sign up genius will be sent out soon for volunteer opportunities.
- Council nominating committee proposed executive board for 21/22 school year and slate was approved.

President: Kelly Jungeberg

Vice President: Misti Schulz

Honorary 2nd Vice President: Dr. Cameron Ryba

Treasurer: Bethany Bixler

Recording Secretary: Susan Thomas

Corresponding Secretary: Vanessa Smith-Whitford  
-Founders Day will be held in person on May 26th. More details to come.

X. Committee Reports

- A. After Prom - Robin Micko, Tracy Joniak, Lori Silvis-More sign ups will be coming out, one for Casino and another food will be coming out. Events will also include bubble soccer, cornhole board (these will be raffled off as prizes at end of night), donating string bags to carry items, concession stand will be used for food, city is donating the use of picnic tables (they will drop off and pick up, they are being very helpful), renaming security to chaperones. Will not use last year's decorations this year. Hope to use them next year. DJ will help with the photobooth. Masks will be required to be worn throughout the evening.
- B. Parking Space Raffle - Lori Silvis-No report
- C. Bylaws & Standing Rules - Vicki Maloney-Not present-presented by Carrie Dewes-summary of changes
  - All wording was recommended by Ohio PTA.
  - Date Changed to 5/13/21-to reflect the amendment date
  - Organization will be changed to association throughout the document since we are a PTA not a PTO.
  - Article IV, Section 3, d-added the word "and"
  - Below are the major changes not mentioned above, ALL other parts of the Bylaw's document will remain the same.

**\*Article II—Purposes**

**Section 1.** The purposes of PTA are:

- a. To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, ~~community, and~~ places of worship, and throughout the community;
- b. To raise the standards of home life,
- c. To advocate for laws that further the education, physical and mental health, welfare, and safety of children and youth; ~~To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth,~~
- d. To promote the collaboration and engagement of families and educators in the education of children and youth; ~~To bring into closer relation the home and the school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth, and~~
- e. To engage the public in united efforts to secure the physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, and social well-being of all children and youth; and ~~To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education~~
- f. To advocate for fiscal responsibility regarding public tax dollars in public education funding.

**\*Article IV—Relationship with National PTA and Ohio PTA**

**Section 9.** This local PTA, in accordance with IRS regulations, shall:

- a. File a Form 990 or 990 EZ with a Schedule A if gross receipts exceed \$50,000 annually or file a form 990 N if gross receipts do not exceed \$50,000 annually with the IRS; and ~~File an annual financial report with the Ohio PTA office;~~
- b. Know that the Ohio PTA office staff has applied for a Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN) for this constituent unit.

**Article VII—Nominations and Elections**

**Section 1.** There shall be a nominating committee composed of three or five current members of this PTA (minimum of 3).

a. The President may not serve on this committee.

This month is a review. The proposed changes will be voted on next month.

- D. Health & Safety – Open-No report
- E. Student Grants - Stephanie Kunovich-No report
- F. Fundraising - Lori Silvis, Michelle Thall-Chipotle Fundraiser did well- \$785.53, AR workshop extended to benefit after prom.
- G. Membership - Lori Silvis-None
- H. Reflections – Open-No one from Strongsville won an award or moved on to the next level-Checking on some kind of recognition locally for entrants.
- I. Rockin' at the Rec - Open/Cancelled-None
- J. School Board Representative - Laura Housum-Meeting 4/15/21
- K. Special Education - Teresa Karsnak-None
- L. Staff Appreciation - Stacie Hershkovitz, Laura Housum-Looking to do a lunch in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May, Mexican themed. Will put a request out for donations through Member Hub.
- M. Teacher Grants - Tracy Joniak, Laurie Majka
- N. Webmaster - Katherine Schoenberger-met with Misti Schulz and Allison Applebee, webmasters for next year. Please forward anything you want posted to Katherine.

XI. Special Committee Reports: Nominating Committee  
Proposed Slate of Officers for the 2021-2022 School year

President	Carrie Dewes	returning
Vice President	Lori Silvis	returning
Honorary 2nd Vice President	Bill Wingler	returning
Treasurer	Hilarie Yankello	returning
Secretary	Sarah Bass	returning
Council Delegates	Kelly Clark	proposed
	Rosann Redd	proposed
Council Delegate Alternate	Nikky Freeman	proposed

Katherine Schoenberger makes a motion to accept the slate as proposed.

No second needed. Proposed by Committee/

No nominations from the floor.

Vote taken; motion passed.

Congratulations to those returning and just joining.

- XII. Unfinished Business-None
- XIII. New Business: Form Audit Committee-postpone forming committee until May.
- XIV. Announcements-None

XV. Adjournment 10:53am

Dates to Remember

- April 15 - Board of Education Meeting, 7pm
- April 17 - Teen Idol, 7pm
- April 23 & 24 - Little Mermaid Jr., 7pm
- April 27 - 9th Grade Academic Awards, 7pm
- April 28 - 10th Grade Academic Awards. 7pm
- May 4 - 11th Grade Academic Awards, 7pm
- May 5 - 12th Grade Academic Awards, 7pm
- May 6 - Council PTA Meeting & Installation, 9:30am
- May 6 - Board of Education Meeting, 7pm
- May 12 - Top 5% Ceremony, 7pm
- May 13 - SHS PTA Meeting, 9:30am
- May 13 - Senior Salute, 7pm
- May 20 - Board of Education Meeting, 7pm @ SHS Auditorium
- May 26 - Founders Day, 7pm @ SHS Auditorium (limited attendance)
- May 28 - Last Day of School
- May 30 - Commencement, 11am (A-L) & 3pm (M-Z) @ Catan Stadium
- June 6 - Prom, 6-8:30pm & After Prom, 9pm-12am @ Catan Stadium