

York High School PTSA Meeting
May 10, 2021
7:00 PM via Zoom
Minutes

1. Call to Order & Welcome

Meeting called to order at 7:03, Beth welcomed everyone, in particular our first-time attendees; In attendance: Beth Concannon, Dr. Shahe Bagdasarian, Nicole Braun, Lara Stavridis, Eren Loza-Navarro, Jen Baxa, Stacey Roginski, Mimi Black, Kimberlie Daly, Wendee Reedy, Diane Rosenthal, Julie Vacko, Susan Smentek, Tracey Bianchi, Maria Del Carmen Gonzalez, Katerina Hickey

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Principal's Report – Dr. Shahe Bagdasarian

Three big events coming up:

1. Prom this coming Saturday 5/15 at 6:30 on the track; still could use a few volunteers; getting national attention, Inside Edition will be there to do a segment
2. Future Duke Transition Night –next Tuesday 5/18 for incoming freshmen
Principal will speak, building tour, activity fair, etc.
3. Graduation – 5/23 - big change is that it is now planned as a single ceremony for all students, due to changes in CDC/IDPH guidelines. Students very excited to have all students at one ceremony

4. Approval of Minutes

Lara Stavridis made a motion to approve the April minutes; seconded; approved.

5. Treasurer's Report – Lara Stavridis

- we have collected \$7410 in donations for the senior raffle
- paid \$1700 for teacher appreciation breakfast
- finalized dues to IL PTA - \$37
- \$40,713 in the account
- \$20K prom cost and the \$7K for raffle are major upcoming expenses

6. President's Report – Beth Concannon

A. Big THANK YOU to the executive committee and committee chairs! Grateful for everyone's ability to change/adapt/adjust on the fly this year!

B. PTA Council Update – Beth missed meeting due to work conflict, but Casey Braun reported that the big news from that meeting was that Dr. Campbell, the incoming D205 superintendent, attended the meeting and spoke and answered questions; Dr. Campbell is working with Dr. Yonke, the interim superintendent, and they will continue to work together on transition; Casey noted that Dr. Campbell exhibited "contagious enthusiasm"!

C. Interested Volunteers and Chair Position Update Plan

Beth, Mimi and administration plan to meet over the summer to discuss potential changes to certain events with which PTSA is involved; Beth is keeping a list of interested volunteers and will reach out to them once she has a better idea of events/volunteer needs

7. Membership VP's – Wendee Reedy, Diane Rosenthal, Kate Foley

Nothing to report, though Diane did note that she, Kate and Nicole (who also helped with Membership), are done with York this year, so Wendee will be taking the helm next year along with new co-chairs Julie Vacko and Tracey Bianchi

8. Chair Reports

A. Academic Committee – Mimi Black

Amy Thompson attended this past Friday's AC meeting, where she discussed senior post-York plans some, though she didn't have all the data yet since Duke Decision Day had been just 4 days prior. She did say that her Matriculation Report will be available on the website in the future, and showed last year's as an example; Nicole Braun said it can be found along right side of CCRC website

Amy's presentation is available for viewing at the AC website, as well as in two places on Facebook: York Parents and PTSA-AC

Amy also announced that she is retiring in three years, and also that she has been pushing for two people in her position, hoping there is a second person before she retires

Mimi also noted that they were fortunate that Dr. Bagdasarian was able to attend all AC meetings this past school year

Casey Braun noted that even if in the future the meetings go back to in-person, would be nice to record so can watch later even if miss meeting; makes the meeting more accessible to more people; Mimi agreed and hopes to be able to continue recording in the future

B. Prom Raffle – Val Curry – not in attendance

Nicole noted that Val has been spending on raffle items and getting everything ready for Saturday

C. Prom Volunteers – Nicole Braun

Nicole noted that looking pretty good, could still use a few more clean-up volunteers in particular

9. Unfinished Business

A. Officer Election for 2021-2022 School Year

President: Beth Concannon

VP/President-Elect: Katerina Hickey

Treasurer: Lara Stavridis

Secretary: Jen Baxa

Membership VPs: Wendee Reedy, Tracey Bianchi, Julie Vacko

Nicole Braun presented slate for election; no nominees from the floor; slate successfully elected for 2021-2022 school year

B. Installation of Officers – Nicole Braun

Installation ceremony complete, all officers successfully installed

Beth noted that she looks forward to working with everyone, noted that executive committee usually meets once informally toward end of summer prior to first official meeting in September

10. New Business

A. Audit Committee

Susan Smentek, Stacey Roginski and Jen Baxa agreed to serve on audit committee; Lara noted that the books close on 6/30 so after that she will get her reports together and reach out to the committee to set up a time during the summer; must be completed before finalizing budget for next year

11. Adjournment

Once again, Beth thanked everyone for coming, especially new attendees.

Lara moved to adjourn at 7:35, seconded, adjourned.

Next meeting TBD in September.