

**FCAHS PTO Meeting Minutes**  
**April 10, 2019 9:30am**

In attendance: Dan Lentz, John McGee, Sandy Garcia-Tunon, Candace Uricchio, Diane Markovitz, Liz Rambeau, Kelly DiNatale, Kelly Caracciolo, Frits Pil, Joanna Patterson Izenon

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME-Sandy Garcia-Tunon

TREASURER'S REPORT- Sandy Garcia-Tunon for Anne Marie DeGeorge

\*Bank balance of \$30,391 with roughly \$10,000 committed to charging stations and \$1500 to senior breakfast. Income still expected from FCGT.

\*Suggested keeping balance at the start of next year of \$10,000 and making set amount of remainder available for teachers to submit grant proposals.

\*Membership contributions are down ~\$1000. Question whether this is from confusion surrounding online forms at the beginning of the year.

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE-

Dan Lentz

Middle States

\*We passed Middle States. Lots of positive comments from review board including those related to the students' behavior, curriculum, and club/activities offerings.

Recommendations made by Middle States, one to improve communication. HS administration will address this summer. Report available in the fall. FCAHS now accredited for 7 years. Thanks to parents that helped.

John McGee

Safety Update

\*Working through perfecting Ruvna app

\*At least one staff member is at every entrance in the morning until 7:27am and then doors are locked

\*O'Hara police officers are present in and around the building periodically in addition to the resource officers.

\*Regular ALICE drills being conducted. Staff debriefed after. Teachers have kits in their classrooms to use in case of emergency.

\*All visitors are identified and escorted.

\*Parent questioned security at after school events. Dr. McGee stated a school administrator is at every activity along with school security guards.

\*EMS night at school on 4/29/19 with first responders participating in exercises re:responding to emergency situations at school

\*Discussion related to survey given to staff re: their relationships with students. Parents questioned school hiring social worker, counselor, psychologist etc to help work with students.

\*Parent suggested hiring a female officer in the HS and more minorities.

## Title 9

\*2 students who spoke at school board meeting 4/8/19 re: Title 9 were met with the following day by Ms. DeComo, Dr. McCommons, Mr. Mahoney, Dr. McGee. Follow up meeting scheduled with Ms. DeComo with goal to have a plan in place.

## ACTIVITIES UPDATE- Erin Butkovic

- \*Prom is 5/4/19. Tickets on sale this week.
- \*NHS cancelled their proposed fun run due to scheduling conflicts.
- \*Blood drive 4/17/19. Parent volunteer opportunities on sign up genius
- \*One additional parent of a 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grader needed for graduation speaker committee
- \*Senior breakfast 4/26/19

## ADMINISTRATION-

- \*No report

## FCGT-Candace Uricchio

- \*Thursday 4/25/19. 7pm
- \*15 acts performing each no more than 4 minutes
- \*Sponsorships strong with \$2700 in income
- \*Discussion re: how to pull raffle winners to save time
- \*Parent(s) needed to take over as chairs
- \*Students will be helping night of the show. Parents volunteers also needed for concessions, raffle

## DISTRICT FORUM-Sandy Garcia-Tunon

- \*Last public meeting cancelled due to unavailability of administration
- \*Officers needed for next year

## START SCHOOL LATER-Liz Rambeau

- \*Prompt follow up completed to provide administration and Hill Group published research on the subject and names of medical professionals able to speak re: later start times.
- \*Next committee meeting 4/23/19

## OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- \*Parents questioned cost of SAT boot camp and ability to stream it to those unable to attend. Would like to see it budget neutral.
- \*Nominating forms available for PTO officers and emailed with April meeting agenda
- \*Committee of 3 will be reviewing FCAHS PTO financial reports
- \*Wellness Day 5/30/19. PTO will support in manner to be determined with guidance dept
- \*Welcome back breakfast for staff scheduled for 8/21/19. Budget \$1500
- \*Additional discussion re: dispensing grants to teachers-form to use/how much to give for each

Meeting adjourned at 11:36am

