

## HSA GENERAL MEETING

*DRAFT until approved at January meeting*

1/26/22 @ 8:30am via Zoom

**Welcome** (Jackie Carlson): Welcome everyone to our Zoom meeting. We'll keep you updated whether meetings will be virtual or in person in the future.

**Meeting Minutes** (Jackie Carlson): We didn't post the December minutes, so next month we will approve the minute for Dec. and January.

**Yearbooks** (Maria Chinda): The yearbook pictures can be sent to [yearbook@harbordale.hsa.com](mailto:yearbook@harbordale.hsa.com) or you can use the app (although some parents say it doesn't work well). It's up to you. The last day for pictures will be March 1<sup>st</sup>. The yearbook sales have started. The last day will be June 1<sup>st</sup> to purchase. There is name stamping available when you order (name or year in gold foil). The last day for that is January 29<sup>th</sup>. I apologize for the late notice. The ads for graduating 5<sup>th</sup> graders or businesses are due March 1<sup>st</sup>. You can do this online on the Walworth website. You have options of a ¼, ½ or full page. Anyone can do this, or you can promote your business. Yearbook cover contest: Two second grade students' covers will be on the back cover due to an error.

### **Fundraising** (Sandy Stetter)

- **Walkathon** 1/28: This Friday is our Walkathon. January 28 is the final day. We are doing so amazing, and I'm so proud of the students and thankful for the parents. Last year, we did phenomenally. This year, I can't believe how well we are doing. 202 of 497 students are registered! Our goal meter is about to explode. We do need some volunteers. It'll be in 3 sessions. You can volunteer during your child's time, just your designated session or the whole time. Parents who volunteer for 1<sup>st</sup> session will help decorate. We'll have music, and lots of fun and excitement. We'll recognize students who met the superstar goal of \$200 or more. Promo video shared. We've raised nearly \$17,000!!! Our current goal is \$18,000, so share your children's fundraising page with friends/family. All donations are tax deductible. Remember every dollar counts and will make a difference in funding programs like AR and Scholastic News. T-shirt design contest: Be creative, but stick to the guidelines: shirt must be intact (don't cut it). We sent home individual Ziplocs with a shirt and directions. The only requirement is shirt must say "Harbordale Elementary Walkathon 2022." It can be hand drawn, printed, etc. You may decorate however you'd like. They can be worn on Friday if the shirt meets these requirements; if shirt is NOT decorated, it may NOT be worn on Friday.
- **Spaghetti Dinner** 2/25: A vintage event from 10-15 years ago. They stopped because we had an issue using our cafeteria kitchen. We've had a gracious donation of a hall, decorations, tables from a local church, Church by the Sea...all for free. We have 2 event leads: Claudia and Gabriella. [Spaghettdinner@harbordalehsa.com](mailto:Spaghettdinner@harbordalehsa.com)
- **Spring Fling** 3/11: Coordinated by Kristi Quarles/Jackie Carlson. This event is taking the place of Pumpkin Pizzazz which we typically have in October. It'll be similar to Pumpkin Pizzazz with a fun beachy theme. If you have decorations to share, please do. We have an exciting part that people get hyped about: a basket auction. Values are between

\$700-\$1300!!! You can buy raffle tickets for \$1. Jackie Carlson: We are excited to have an on-campus event. It's a lot of fun. A large part of the fundraising is the basket raffle. Each class is asked to collect donated items for the baskets. We're asking for your help for donation items. Your room parents will be reaching out with more info. If you have a favorite restaurant, hair salon, spa, ask for a donation. We'll give you a letter to drop off. We have a theme for each grade level: K: The great outdoors, 1: Wine and Dine, 2: Family Fun, 3: Pampering your Family, 4: Food and Fun, 5: Fun in the Sun. Anything can go in these baskets: gift cards, toys, sporting equipment, etc.

- Sandy: Volunteers at Walkathon, you'll be getting an email about your t-shirt size.

**Volunteering** (Christina Currie): I'd like to talk to you about one opportunity: volunteers to come in regularly to offer academic assistance to students. You fill out the form, Ms. Gordon gives you a quick primer and you come in to work with a small group to go over a worksheet, help with reading/sounds/etc. This is especially helpful for kids working on FSA, as they often have an easier time getting help from helpers other than their parents. Commitment is key. Email me at [volunteer@harbordale.hsa.com](mailto:volunteer@harbordale.hsa.com)

Eva: Is it ok to do 1 day as opposed to the 3 days listed on the signup? Christina: Yes, just let me know what you can offer.

**Budget** (Eva Shoop-Shafor for Maryanne Cockerille) The HSA account shows \$69,324. Of that, \$9,885 is in restricted funds that we hold for other groups like Adopt a Class and the Go Fund Me contributions, and \$59,439 is HSA money. Income from the Holiday Shop was added: \$4,366. We added two new expenses that were approved at the last meeting: \$3,000 to fund school buses for field trips and \$1,500 to fund new playground equipment for classes each year.

**New Business:** N/A

**Principal's Message:** Mrs. Kashdin: Good morning! Thank you for joining the meeting today. I want to give some school updates. Back in December, HSA provided a staff holiday lunch coordinated by Mrs. Falcone and decorated by Mrs. Mestey. It was a winter wonderland and a highlight for us. I'm excited to let you know we've hired on Mr. Cory from Sunshine as our Pool Sub. He knows many of our students, and he exudes our core values, so I think it's a great fit. He will continue with Sunshine. At our last meeting, Mrs. Saunders shared about the Joint Parks Agreement. The process has moved forward with meetings. The great news is Harbordale will be part of the program. They will implement \$270,000 for updates (resurfacing of PE court and additional equipment). Park will be open to community at non-school times (like weekends). It's non-lighted, so it'll probably not be evenings since Sunshine ends at 6pm. This program exists at many schools and has been a successful opportunity to get more parks and enhance the school. Hopefully we're in final leg of getting approved. It'll take some time to roll it out. It'll benefit students and community. We've received additional laptops from the District to refresh and replace old ones (2<sup>nd</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> and tablets to K). We are really trying to capture as many parent volunteers as possible. It's a great opportunity to help some students who need a little extra push. Reach out to Mrs. Currie or the school. You'll find the rewards so heartwarming.  
Upcoming dates: Ms. Gordon will offer FSA parent training 2/8 virtual. Mon 14<sup>th</sup> is the Day of Service and Remembrance for MSD tragedy. Ms. Bureau has an activity everyone will

participate in. Vaccination program is on hold. 2/14: Ms. Hardison will be doing Jump Rope for Heart during PE. Career Day is on 2/25: Ms. Bureau has pushed out requests for parents/community members who would like to share about their careers.

Any questions? N/A

Meeting adjourned at 9:06am