

**General Meeting
August 25, 2022
8:00 am (also via Zoom)**

Welcome: Eva Shoop-Shafor

Hi everyone, and welcome! Thanks for coming out for our first meeting. I'm Eva and I'm the President of the HSA. I'm so excited that we have such a huge group today. First, I'd like to explain the purpose of the HSA. The HSA is a group of parents, teachers and school staff that support Harbordale through membership, fundraising and activities for kids and families throughout the year. Last year, our income was over \$60K. It's important to note that all money goes directly back into the school for things that the district doesn't pay for, like laptops, iPads, reading applications, rugs in classroom, school busses for field trips, the new dismissal app and many other things. We also support the specials teachers who get \$100 each to start the year off to get additional supplies they need. We have Adopt-a-Class to allow parents or businesses to bring in extra money for the class. There are so many opportunities to get involved in the HSA; whether you're full-time working out of the home, work from home, or stay at home parent. I urge you all to get involved because there are lots of ways and there's something for everyone. If you have limited time or an abundance, we need you! How can you get involved? 1) 1st step is to join the HSA. You can do that on the website at Harbordale@HSA.com or in person here today, or, stop in the office anytime. It's only \$10 per family per year. With your membership, you get all communications of what's going on in the school so you are informed and can plan for many events and activities we host. 2) You can volunteer - whether you work in an office or at home, we can fit you in. There are many things you can do even if you can't get away. We want to find a role for you! 3) Adopt-a-Class, we fundraise money to support each teacher to enhance the particular needs of the class. These contributions can be from parents or donations from local businesses who would receive sponsor benefits like logo placement, link to their website, etc. 4) This year we are focusing on sponsorships. We have a team that is looking at new and inviting ways to reach out to our local businesses for financial support. I'm so excited at how big a group we have today. In addition to those we have here, we have 32 people on Zoom. We want to be as inclusive as possible. You can attend our meeting via Zoom, but when there's a vote on something, you have to be present at the meeting to vote. You can't vote using Zoom.

I'd like to introduce our Board members:

VP Communications – Stephanie Streicher

CO-VP's Fundraising – Kristi Quarles and Steve Quarles

VP Membership – Jackie Carlson

VP Public Relations – Maria Chinda

Treasurer – Maryann Cockerille

Co-Assistant Treasurers – Kelly Ray-Sosnowski and Dale Sosnowski

Secretary – Cathy Eltringham

Parliamentarian – Chantal Manno

I would like to thank all of the volunteers. We have a great group of people and we always welcome you to come on in. If you have an idea and want to get involved, please do! Thanks so much to the hospitality committee for the great breakfast! Also, a big thank you to the Greg and Mary and your team for putting in overtime and sprucing up the campus. Thank you for the contribution from the City Manager's office and from the Fort Lauderdale Neighborhood office for the donation of material.

Minutes approval:

Eva: We will be approving the minutes of the May 2022 meeting. They are posted on HSA website. Renier makes motion to approve. Eva: Is there a second? Chantal second. Eva: minutes are approved.

Parent Social: Rinear Coulter, Parent Social Coordinator

The parent social is something we do to bring families together. This is great event that we hold at the beginning of the year. It's planned for 9/8 from 5:30-7:30 at Whiskey Neat. We have fun raffles. It's an opportunity to meet people who are in your class and get to meet Mrs. Kashdin. If you have any raffle items you'd like to donate you can do so through the website: harbordalehsa.com or contact Kristi, Eva or me.

Kindergarten Parent Social: Rinear: 9/20 8am in the Media Center. We're excited to have a meet and greet for our Kindergarten parents. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new parents to the school and those that have older kids in other grades.

Membership Update: Jackie Carlson, VP of Membership

Hi everyone, our membership goal is to reach 100% parent participation! Just to let you know, the HSA is proud of the fact that 100% of the proceeds go directly to Harbordale for the many extras we can provide to the teachers for their class and to the students. As an HSA member, you get to attend the meetings, you get information on all the happenings around the school, and it's only \$10 per year for a family. Signing up is easy. We have forms, you can scan the barcode and you'll be signed up for the year, or, you can go to Harbordalehsa.com to sign up. We will be having a membership contest that you'll hear about soon. All classes will participate. The class that has most participation will get an ice cream sundae party.

Fundraising Update: Kristi Quarles, Steve Quarles Co-VP's Fundraising

Pumpkin Pizazz: Pumpkin Pizazz is back! It's a fun event where kids show up in costumes. We have games and food and it's a lot of fun. Steve will talk about our needs. Steve: We know of a few needs now, but we may discover more as we go along. We need a cook! We need three or 4 people to help cook. What are you cooking? Hot dogs, serve chips and soda. We lost our police parent this year, so please ask around if there are any police parents. We would like extra security. We also need student volunteers. Middle schoolers, girl scouts, social groups, church groups, any group that needs service hours - bring them on. It's a lot of fun and they get their requirements at the same time. Do you have the 5013C letter? We will add it to the website so you can print it yourself. It's also attached to the sponsor letter that's sent out.

Our Fundraiser Co-Chairs are Claudia and Misty. Newest to the team is Corey. We are going after corporate sponsorships. Most businesses welcome these. They earmark funds every year and they know they have money to spend, so let's go out and ask! There are a lot of volunteer opportunities. Thanks to Elisa we have a Dine out to Donate next Friday. Dine out to Donate is a fundraiser where you go to a local restaurant to eat, and the restaurant gives us back a percentage of money they earn from all who come. Parents and families can attend. We schedule them typically once a month, so if you typically go to the same restaurant, ask them if they'd want to participate. Next dine to Donate is next Friday at Zona Fresca 9/2 from 12-8:30pm. At this restaurant, **YOU MUST HAVE THE FLYER TO GIVE TO THE CASHIER FOR FUNDS TO BE DONATED.** This restaurant will give us 20% back. You can also drop the receipt in the red box near the cashier to be entered into a contest for the classroom with the most dollars donated. The class with the most participation will win a contest (popcorn party or something like that).

Adopt-a-Class: Kelly Dean, Coordinator, Adopt-a-Class:

This is my 5th year coordinating it. Adopt-a-Class is a super program. 100% of the money goes to the teachers to enhance their class. One teacher bought an easel and markers, another bought books specific to their class needs. Go on the website and sign up on-line, or, you can go into the office and drop it in the turtle box. The goal of each teacher is \$500 to be fully adopted. We include specials teachers too. If they get more than \$500 they share it with the other teachers. This year we have a running total on the application page of the website so you can see where your child's class stands on adoptions. Parents can go in and donate towards their class in \$50 increments. If you have a business, you can put your logo on our sponsor page on the website and we can link your business's website from our sponsor page too.

Merchandising: VP Public Relations, Maria Chinda

I placed the order for polos shirts and they will be here in 2 weeks. When they arrive, the office staff will need a few days to fill the orders and they will go home in the backpacks. Hopefully the order will be received before we have back to school night.

Communications: VP Communications, Stephanie Streicher

Hi Everyone, I'm the one that bombards you with emails! Along with the agenda, I made a survey to find out how you want your HSA communication delivered. Please fill out the survey on how you want to get info so I can get it to you more efficiently. We are keeping Zoom this year. You can't address the group when Zooming, but you can chat. As Eva mentioned, any voting must be done in person so you can't vote if you're participating in a meeting via Zoom. You can get emails direct from us with all the events going on when becoming an HSA member. You can check the mailing list for my email or any of the HSA or school staff emails there too. If you want to add events to your own Google calendar, when you log in to our website you click the + Google Calendar on the bottom of the calendar widget on our homepage harbordalehsa.com. We will be getting a new website in about a month. I'll send an email when it's up and running.

Volunteer Coordinator: Ulrica Hammond

I'm going to pester you to pitch in and volunteer throughout the year. There's always something you can help with but you must be a Broward County approved volunteer. Go on-line and get it done. It doesn't cost anything and you're ready to go if something pops up that you want to volunteer for. We ask everyone to do it. If you volunteer in the classroom, you need to be approved. It's good to have the approval in advance if you are on campus and a need arises or if you want to help at events and end of year parties, you will need the Broward County approval. It's fun and great to see what your child's doing. You don't want to miss out because you weren't approved. Another volunteer opportunity is to open doors on the car loop line. K students are small and it's great to have people who are patient and smile. If you happen to be at school and notice they are short staffed, you can park your car, stand there, welcoming and don't slam the doors, please! Anyone can help, it's easy. 10 minutes. If you have the chance please do. We are looking for a coordinator for Amazon Smile. There's a setting you can add to your app that will allow Amazon to donate money to the HSA. We want someone who can remind people how to update their app. We are also looking for someone who is creative. We have access to Canva for making flyers that go home in the red folder. If interested, please let us know. Canva's pretty easy. If anyone needs login info contact Eva or Stephanie. If you have a graduate this year, the HSA raises money for for the event in return for parents' time. There are 3 events scheduled for the grades this year. 3rd grade: family bingo night is planned in the spring. 4th grade is pumpkin pizazz and 5th grade is the spaghetti dinner. We will send more info about these. If you work on these projects at home, please submit your hours to us as we do track hours if you work at home put them in at the front office. If you're doing anything, log the hours.

Literacy Coach and Volunteer Liaison: Mrs. Gordon

Everyone knows me as the car line lady! Please volunteer, log on or stop by front office and remember, you must register to volunteer EVERY year. Just because you volunteered last year, it doesn't carry over. It is a pretty quick turn time these days. There are many opportunities here: I coordinate academic support, provide students one on one help, parents come to help with reading, math. Whatever works for you, we can fit you in. We have the Research room – teachers have added more material. Those looking to support academically, we pair you with a teacher. Thanks for coming in and making a difference.

Room Parent Coordinator: Julie Loughery

We are still looking for a commitment for 10 teachers and specials. The time commitment is about 1-2 hours per week. You must be a Volunteer to be a room parent. Being a room parent is a lot of fun. You are the first to know what's going on in the class. It's a bridge between the teachers and parents. It doesn't take too much time and teachers love it. We will have a WhatsApp chat so you and the other room parents can communicate to see what they're doing and bounce ideas off them.

Treasurers Report: Maryann Cockerille

Balance is \$93,373 in account. Restricted funds are held in account for different things for example adopt a class, go fund me, reading program, student council among others that total

\$89,332.00. Next page 1st column is what we will spend, the 2nd what we budget and the 3rd is over/under. I've written about 80 checks that aren't showing yet b/c of computer issues. Fundraisers are all there. The total income budget is \$37,000 and that's what we plan to take in. What we make this year goes into next year's budget. For expenses, there's custodian, snack filed trip budget among the others and we are at \$48,850 for expenses for this year. Any questions? No. I paid for the agendas. The budget was \$1000 but check was \$1200 because of the increase in price. I recommend we raise the budget for agendas from \$1000 to \$1200. All in favor.

Principal's Message: Mrs. Kashdin

Good morning! I'm delighted to be here and I thank you for coming! It's a new year and we see many new faces so please give us some time to get to know you and your kids. I want to thank teachers and staff and thank you all for your patience. We're working on dismissal. The goal is 2:10 and yesterday was 2:14. Lagunas family, Thank you for making the campus so beautiful with the landscaping! If any of you want to pitch in, I know they could use the help! I'd like to recognize our custodial staff too, as they worked really hard to get the school ready. Thanks to the HSA board. Under Eva's leadership it is going to be a great year! I want to point out that we aren't one of the schools that got extra money through special funding so the money HSA raises goes right back here.

Let's talk about the construction projects. The good news is one new air unit was installed in the music room. All other work has been delayed because of permitting issues. We will not allow work during the school time, it must be done when students aren't here.

Harbordale was approved for a nature grant. Students will create a garden and learn how to grow and harvest. It's primarily a 2nd grade project, but it's a school-wide project. If any of you want to come out and be involved in design or installation process, you're welcome. SAC is School Advisory Committee and meets once a month. Teachers, parents and the community look at school academics and develop and evaluate the school improvement plan. Everyone is welcome and meeting dates are posted on website. Safety update – I hope they talk about drills. Fire drill and lockdown drills are practiced in every school in Broward and in the State. We make them simple and as possible. If there are any concerns please reach out to Ms. Bureau. We've made improvements. We have to be prepared. Every class door now auto locks. That's the number one prevention measure. We also updated our phones. Our armed school officer and Mr. Jose know your kids and are in the best hands. We take security seriously.

Updates: Students will be taking reading and math progress monitoring K-5 assessments 3x per year. The first will be in September on the computer. This assessment is a snapshot where they are. Information on the program is slowly coming out, but we'll keep you informed. Is it different from iReady? It's similar in format. We no longer use iReady. We will get a lot of data from this and it has great potential. Teacher meet and greet was hit, but the Open House is more comprehensive. You will have the opportunity to have engaging conversations with the teachers. It's planned for 6pm Sept 14, for grades K-2 and Sept 21 for grades 3-5. We decided

to break it up to give the parents with multiple kids an opportunity to both. We're so glad you're here and we look forward to you meeting each other and welcome you into our family. That about wraps it up.

Questions:

Have you set up a meeting to explain the progress monitoring? We are looking at a first meeting in September with an informational session. In addition to items already discussed, are there any other specific wants or needs that the HSA could benefit from? Donations and Volunteers for the classroom. As for fundraising? We are blessed that every student in grades 1-5 has a laptop. We really use HSA There's always a need. What prompted the decision not to move forward with iReady? The new math series comes with a new reading series. iReady was very expensive. It was \$20K last year which the district paid for. This year, they school must pay for it. Is it still a plan to change the playground to allow the public to use? Yes, we were granted the funds and we are getting almost \$300K to do so. On the weekend it'll be open to the community. It will go to the design phase. If it's open access, will it be cleaned up and how do we keep it safe? The city will be responsible for cleaning and monitoring it for safety. The protocols are with the city and the community. Hopefully the kids will enjoy it even more. Sunrise Middle has it and it's been a positive impact for the school and community. We are excited about the project and once we know more, we will share. Thank you all for your time

Eva: We have a few quick new business items. The entire playground is exposed to the street and cars. A parent has donated screening. Steve will put screens up so that's exciting. We will also have banner opportunities for sponsorships. This will be the first year we do this. We will keep you posted on how we will roll it out. As for other need: Playground equipment is always needed like basketballs, hula hoops, etc. We replenish each year to each classroom. We have an HSA budget so if someone wants to do the research and order them, let us know if you're interested. If you're here early or after school, walk the campus and pick up trash. I'll provide garbage bags. It's a great way to teach the kids. We will bribe you with coffee/donuts on a weekly basis or something fun! My email is president@harbordalehsa.com. We really appreciate you coming today, so stick around and say hello!