**HSA General Meeting- April 27, 2023**

Start 8:06am

**Welcome (Eva Shoop-Shafor, President)** Today is take your child to work day. We have some special visitors. They will be leading the meeting. Lily Shafor, Lilly Hammond and Autumn Streicher.

**Lilly-** This is the second to last HSA meeting. In May we will vote on the budget and nominations. Only in person votes will be counted.

**Approval of March ’23 Minutes-** Rinear made a motion and Stephanie seconded the motion to approve the March minutes.

**HSA Business**

**Give What You Can, Take What You Need Program- Mrs. Bureau-** I am in the planning stages of creating this program. Parents can look at things around their house that they don’t use anymore, i.e., kitchen stuff, baby stuff, anything gently used to recycle for other families. Good opportunity with the flood. How can I help? Great opportunity to bridge the gap. Invite families to go in car loop. Tables will be set up and items will be displayed so families can take what they need. Interact with families that are receiving your stuff. Pilot at the end of the year. Spread the word and save your stuff.

**Family to Family Program Brainstorming-Eva-** There have been lots of needs lately especially with the flood. Putting out requests over room parent chat. There are also people that haven’t reached out for help. Someone needed two twin beds and within 15 min two twin beds were offered. Lots of opportunities to help families. I would like to streamline the process. VSY does a program called Family to Family. They have a website and families can purchase Amazon and Target gift cards. Looking for someone to lead this initiative. Put in a budget item for Mrs. Bureau/social worker to pull from.

**Autumn-** Now for our committee reports

**Committee Reports**

**Fundraising Update**

**Bingo Night- Vanessa-** tomorrow night at 6pm. Pretty good turnout for volunteers. Still in need of adult volunteers for the ice cream table. We have huge bins of ice cream that were donated. Also in need of volunteers for bingo monitoring. Night of bingo night people don’t understand that cards we sell are single use only. HSA, if we see our neighbors during the event please let them know that cards are single use only. Great prizes. 2 nights stay at Conrad, Beetlejuice tickets, etc. My daughter was looking at the prizes and said I can’t see anything. Kids are more visual and would rather see a basket of stuffed animals, Lego set, etc. More appealing for younger ones. If you are bringing teenagers to help let Vanessa know so I know where to put them. If they need volunteer hours to sign off on ask them to bring their own forms and I’ll sign after bingo night. Eva- just a reminder this is a 3rd grade event- push out to your classes.

**School Supplies- Eva-** we will be selling school supplies as a fundraiser next year. Looking at companies and other options.

**Volunteer Update**

**Staff Appreciation Week- Julie-** Staff appreciation week will be held next week, the first week of May. You should have received a flyer from your room parent via What’s App or your child’s red folder. Each day we have some fun ways you can show appreciation to the staff and teachers.

**HSA Nominating Committee update-** still looking for 4 more spots by the end of the school year. Looking for a president, assistant to fundraising have two. Co-chairs for Pumpkin Pizzazz. Rinear- now paying a company to set up the games for Pumpkin Pizzazz. Need a co-chair to be the puppet leader, make phone calls and follow up with people. Event is held in October. Need people to organize and chair it. Stacy volunteered to be a co-chair. Marissa will do sandwich board. We still need a president. Kashdin has mentioned we will need to cut back on everything if we do not have anyone to step up as President. President is a lot more being a liaison. Checking emails, responding to people. Share names if you can think of anyone. If you want to be an assistant talk to us and we will find a spot that works out well.

**Treasurers’ Report- $**142,855.75 in our account. Just deposited $38K check from Walkathon. Fundraising has been amazing. Out of that $8,599 are restricted funds. Hold for class of 23-24, student council, world down syndrome day, etc. Leaves us with $134,256. We have taken in $74,963. Almost doubled what we budgeted. Expenses- $48,950 and so far we have spent $30,038. Rest of the money will be paid out by end of the year.

**HSA Budget Survey-** Has anyone taken the survey? Sent out via your room parents. Stephanie sent out an email as well. One survey went to teachers and one for parents. Questions include where your priorities are, where you want $ to be spent, fundraising opportunity that are underutilized, etc. Mrs. Kashdin will let us know needs that the school has. Laminator, secret stories, blue pouches, carpets for 1/2nd grade. These items are all under $10K. Might put money towards media center furniture. What about iReady? Kashdin- District is in works for them to fund next year. We would just need the reading portion. Around $20K. Hospitality is debating their budget; food is going up. Catering or potlucks? Teachers get $100 at the start of the year. Look at the budget and expenses. Is there anything that doesn’t sit right? Please take the survey by Sunday. Fundraising- so successful because a lot of hands are in the pot, chairing or coordinating it. Generous parents this year.

**Lilly Hammond-** Kashdin will share the principal message.

**Mrs. Gordon-** volunteer breakfast tomorrow. Part of that we get to recognize Eva, our volunteer of the year. Grandparent of the year, Sue. Maryann has 35 years with the district. Thank you for supporting our teachers.

**Principals Message-** Successful year. Mrs Gordon mentioned Grandma Sue, Eva and Maryann. Highlights of many great volunteers. Everyone can help in some way. We don’t want to limit our family activities. Need that person to oversee the HSA. Eva is very humble in what she doesbehind the scenes. Senora Kupferman took 17 5th grade students to an event and they won 17 medals. They did a poetry reading, skit and poster contest in Spanish. They also went on the morning announcements. LYC hosts sailing scholarship. 26 winners from 5th grade. 2-week summer sailing. Mr. Santos in charge of the Tea Garden event. Hosted in Miami. Mrs. A is replacing Mrs. Rothenberg. Both baby and mother are happy. Mrs. Davis is filling in for Ms. Messenger who will be returning in May. Staff meeting last week selected a new picture company. Life Touch Pictures. Merged with Shutterfly. Friday is our last day for the annual parent survey. We are one parent shy. Gordon passed out a blue flyer. Great parent resources available. Support your learner. The goal is to provide guidance and resources needed to help ensure their child is successful in school from home. Lots of resources are available. Pick the grade and subject. End of May we will be starting family sexuality Lessons. Everyone must sign it to opt in or out. Parents choice, make sure we have consent from everybody. Student intentions for next year. Please send form back. Tomorrow volunteer breakfast, small way to say thank you to our parents. Thank you to Mrs. Gordon for organizing it. 25 families for Kindergarten round up. Thursday 5/25 we will have an additional tour for families to visit Kindergarten classrooms.

**Noel and Lilly H.** Thank you for joining us. Don’t forget to sign up for bingo night spots. Consider being involved in HSA and take the HSA survey.

**Adjourn- 8:49am**