**HSA General Meeting- February 22, 2024**

**Start 8:11am**

**Welcome (Elisa, President)-** Thank you for joining us and being on zoom. Emily is under the weather and joining via zoom

**Approval of January 2024 General Meeting Minutes**- Rinear made a motion and Bronwyn seconded the motion to approve the January minutes.

**Committee Reports**

**Fundraising Update**

**Walkathon 3/8-3/20 (Maria Chinda and Rinear Coulter)-** Yearbook Update. I need pictures for the yearbook specifically for 2nd, 3 and 4th, Kindergarten. 2nd went to Everglades. Need pics from their activities. 3/1 is yearbook picture deadline. 5th grade parents. Ads are due 3/1. Turn in yearbook 3/19. Delivered in May. Distribution is 3 days before class ends. Walkathon- 3/15. Kindergarten parents since you’re new. Proceeds go back to school. AR, field trips, teacher appreciation. Things that the district does not cover. Register. All kids raise $40 get sunglasses. T-shirts with logos anyone that sponsors $300 and up. We need cash sponsors help pay for t shirts and prizes. I have raffles every week for kids that earn $. Smoothie King gift cards or ice cream, Star Bucks. Teachers get incentives for amount of money they raise. Top earning classes get a prize. Need volunteers for the day of the Walkathon. Sponsorships needed. Have 8- 10 logos currently. Thank you to Mrs. Kashdin for getting shirt sizes. Take a video of your kid and post on social media. Last year we raised over $40K.

**Marque Update-** $10 get it in 2 weeks ahead.

**Bingo Night-** 4/19 have sales through the website. Need prizes for every round. Drop off at office

**Dine out**- 2/29 11-8pm at Carlos and Pepes

**Treasurers’ Report (Maryann)-** 85 K in account. Spent $64K for boards and printers. Keep up the fundraising. Restricted have $10K. leaves us with HAS $74K. first column what we are doing, 2nd budgeted, 3rd is over or under budget. Budgeted $55K for expenses, paid $86K out. Still have a lot to pay out in expenses. Doing good, that’s all that matters.

**(Elisa, President)-** March 21st is denim day. HSA meeting 3/14, Staff Appreciation, 4/29.

**Principal’s Message (Kashdin)-** Good morning. I asked for Ms. Ferrero to join us. One of her many responsibilities is working with HSA and volunteers. Recognize one volunteer to represent for our district. Giving her the honor of 2023 and 2024 volunteer. Spent 8 consecutive years here. Many services. Very thankful. 10 wonderful ladies nominated. Congratulate Bronwyn Bekkar. Volunteer breakfast in the spring to recognize all of our volunteers. Thank everyone for volunteering. Our school would not be the school we are today without our commitment of volunteers. Congrats to Bronwyn.

A Kindergarten student passed away last week. Had a rare disease. Pushed out some arrangements for family asked us to share. Appreciative of Ms. Brotman’s class. Started a meal train. Very appreciative. Thank everyone for coming together. Room parents pushing out Go Fund me account if you’re interested. Service is this Saturday in Miami.

Book Fair 2 weeks ago. Big success. Thank you to Midge, Wislande and Moira. Big task. Kids love to shop. Mr. Ciotti sent 4th and 5th graders to an honors choir. Many people went out of their way. Very well behaved. Thank him for doing that. Last week healthy heart challenge. Promote physical activity. Thanks to Mrs. A. We also have beautiful new sod in front of media center. Recognize local girl scout troop. Mrs. Ackerman came on 2/14 and kids had to lay down sod. Learned very important skills. Thank you to Mrs. Leah and Mrs. Webb as well. Girl scouts paid for the sod and did the labor. Thank you for providing it for our students. (Mrs. Ackerman) 2 pelts of grass cost $500. Anyone that wants to give 2 more pellets we will put it in. Do we have HSA landscaping money? Plenty of garden funds. Kids were using for recess and tracking mud in classrooms. Impacting Mrs. Webb. Kids came up with this and used their money from cookie sales. 2/14 HSA collected denim day for leukemia foundation. Former student asked us to support this cause. $237 raised. We will be doing something as a memorial for the Kindergarten student that passed away. Come up with ideas to honor her memory. District redefining our schools. Past meeting in Ft Lauderdale High. District wide parent training. New things coming up. May not apply to elementary age students. Up tick with drugs, alcohol and edibles. Get additional education on 3/5 Plantation High School in conjunction with Broward sheriff office. Are children allowed to attend? Geared towards parents. Conducted at the adult level. Tuesday we sent out the proof of residence forms. Due to our capacity 515 students highest we have been in 20 years. District requires you provide your proof. Does not impact reassignment students. 5th grade stem mobile. Friday is 2nd grade. Hands on learning. Received a grant through city of Ft Lauderdale. If a student is on a PMP (Progress monitoring plan). Student test scores below level. PMP received a letter with their report card. Monthly update on that PMP. Last Tuesday of every month going to send out a standard form. Close that academic gap. Any questions direct to teacher or Mrs. Ferraro. Starting next Tues. parents have access to tools online. Progress monitoring 3 will be in March. This is what Promotion criteria will be based on. World down syndrome day activities will be on 3/21. Money raised will go to ESE dept. 3/21 that week doing activities at school. 3/21 world down syndrome day. Celebrated globally. 3rd copy of 21st chromosome. Helping parents and kids to learn about learning differences. Teachers will do a reading in the classroom,. Selling t shirts. $25. Kids can wear shirts on 3/21. Crazy socks. Selling wrist bands and other things. Support this initiative. Supports ESE dept. speech, OT, PT, reading support. This is where $ goes to. Buy these specific programs and help them learn. Not a large sum of money but tailored to a group of children. Make a donation for $5. Forms go out next Tues. Fill out form and send it in with your child. Learning varies kids have different strengths and needs. Funding goes through HSA and ESE team can buy what they need. Quackenbush is trying to buy a tablet. Goes back to teachers that work with the students.

Elisa- Thank you for coming

**Adjourned 8:48**