Home and School Meeting
May 21, 2020

Attendees: Andrea LaPira, Paula Koziol, Matt Hess, Maria Acosta, Denise Disney, Kim Pizzirusso, Claire, Jennifer Lyons, Theresa Cummings, Greg Hilden, Bridgett Scott, Alicia Styer, Shirley Robinson, Mary Rourke, Lois Sach

Andrea LaPira, Interim Principal
Next Friday last instructional day for seniors; June 5 is last instructional day for all others

All things for seniors will be collected after last instructional day. Textbooks, uniforms, etc...Sent link to seniors if they need something out of their lockers.

Underclassmen – hopefully only need essential things or wait until later in the year. Pass/fail grade waiver for seniors can submit through May 29. Underclassman after June 5. Talk to guidance counselor if you have questions about pass/fail

June 5 is graduation day. Special events are planned throughout the day. Students will be receiving their diplomas in 15 minute increments throughout the day. This is not open to the public and we have to be very strict on attendance – had to promise low numbers to be approved. It is NOT OK if a family tries to break the low number requirement; this could shut down the graduation ceremony. Graduates and families won’t be able to leave off of Copples with more than 2 people with you.

Grad walk video being finalized. Looking forward to that day; hopeful that community will come out to support.

Greg Hilden – New SHHS principal

Still at Garnet Valley through June 30. Has a middle schooler and elementary schooler

Started at Cardinal O’Hara for 5 years. Then moved to Unionville for 6 years as counselor. Has been with Garnet Valley for 10 years as assistant principal

Focus on kids. Want to be visible and proactive. Provide your feedback, experiences and insights to shape how we want SHHS to be in the future.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in person in June or July if there is an opportunity.

New Business:

Sincere appreciate to Andrea LaPira. Quite a remarkable year for SHHS. Very glad you were there to steer and provide a person to count on and trust and to provide continuity. Thanks to parents and students for their wonderful support. Great community that has come together.
Grateful for Greg – will be a great team and a great fit. Looking forward to when things get back to normal.

Also recognize all the senior moms
- Kim Pizzirusso
- Sharon Graham
  Ali Holsinger
- Kelly Caulfield
- Donnie Reiss
- Ani Diakotos
- Mary Huff
- Carolyn Foulk

Thanks to Board
- Jennifer Lyons
- Maria Garcia
- Sharon Graham

Teacher appreciation luncheon couldn’t happen so instead Lisa Kauffman to collect gift cards and used budget to supplement donations. June 11 -12 will go to the teachers. Leftover funds in account, so Lisa recommended a recognition/welcome back.

**Election of New Home and School Board 2020-2021**
No guidelines to vote virtually in our bylaws.
- President: Maria Garcia
- Vice President: Tracey Beck-Campbell
- Secretary: Alicia Kelly
- Treasurer: Denise Disney

Other positions include:
- Website: Daphne Bogert
- Directory Ads: Natalie Marra
- Directory Editor: Beth Soch
- Directory Sales: Joan O’Brien
- Grounds & Greens: Patti Kelly
- Hospitality – Staff Lunch: Tammy McCauley, Carrie Kozub (?)
- Nurse Purchasing: Tammy McCauley
- Social Media: Michelle Grunseich
In addition, Class reps are:

**Class of 2021**
- Murray Blanchette
- James Day
- Licia Guilday
- Paula Koziol

**Class of 2022**
- Claire Barone
- TBD

**Class of 2023**
- Tracey DiBonaventura
- Natascha Doeller
- Regina Nangle
- Gretchen Shifflett
- Alicia Steyer

**Class of 2024**
- Rebecca Ball
- Tracey Beck-Campbell
- Lynn Meza
- Amy Sill

**Treasurer Report**
Home and School funded 2 wish list items. A third wish list item was $1500 to go to LINK weekend; this is on hold based on future of LINK.

We expect to end the year with cash of $6000 but have concerns about fundraising for next year. Directory is the only fund raiser and we receive half of the revenue from ads and the other half from sales. What does that mean – is it realistic to go into the community to ask for advertising from small businesses hurt by current situation? Natalee Mara is in charge of ads. Perhaps for those businesses not in a position to advertise, we can do a thank you page for their past support.

Not sure how much longer a paper directory is relevant. Sales are consistent – that’s not the issue. As time goes by, more and more parents are used to online. Over the summer, there will be a discussion on the future of fundraising and what it could look like. Jennifer is stepping down as treasurer as she’s exhausted her eligibility but Jennifer will be involved in Senior Celebration.
Class of 2020
- Big thank you to all for your support over the years
- Welcome to the new principal even if we won’t be there.
- Thank the Home and School board for all its hard work
- Andrea has been amazing – for the high school and above and beyond to make it special for the senior class that has lost so much.
- Thank Department of Transportation to deliver the Cap and Gown.
- Dierdre Abramson to capture the moments – thanks for her work
- Parent volunteers – thank you for four years to go above and beyond to support the class
- To the community – Swarthmore Fire and Protective Assn. hung banner across Providence Road; Nether and Garden City rehung when it blew off
- Hopeful that August 8 will happen for Commemoration, Prom, and After Prom

Class of 2021
- Planning to meet to plan for normal senior events, even with uncertainty.
- Thanks to parental support

Class of 2022
- No report

Class of 2023
- No report

Adjourned, 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sharon Graham