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| **University High School Boosters Meeting** | |
| ***5/4/2022*** | |
| **Agenda:** | * Welcome/Call to Order * Officer and Administration Reports – 20 min   + President (Jennifer McCarron)   + Vice President (Angela Null)   + Secretary (Stephanie Checchi)   + Treasurer Report (Teri Wilson)   + Administration Report (Andrea Markert) * Committee Chair Messages & Reports – 20 min * Old Business – none * New Business – votes for officers * Adjourn |
| **Notes** | |
| **Call to order/Roll call**  Meeting called to order by Jennifer McCarron at 6:33 pm on 5/4/2022.  **Officer Reports**   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **President**  *Jennifer McCarron* | After Prom - Amazing. We have so much to be thankful for this year. First, we were able to have an awesome Cash Bash to raise the funds to have a great After Prom, and then, dozens of parents worked together to bring this party to life for our kids. Over 280 were registered - and had the time of their lives. I can tell you how appreciative I am - that we've got a community like this that cares about our kids. THANK YOU and I know that we'll here more details from our chair.  Credit Cards - We used the reader at Freshman testing. Very successful $3665 in CC sales alone, and that was just because that was all we could handle at one time.  Good to remember that many chips, just don't work. But, we can manually enter as needed. Next year, we may want to get more readers. A few other things - we are set-up as season users, so no transactions should be placed in May or June, we'll go back live in July for registration. Several people now know what to do, and we have a procedure in place for using the equipment. If groups are interested for next years events, please contact BOOSTERS incoming exec team!! (General Email will funnel to all Exec team members)  Teacher Appreciation – Thanks to those of you who have sent in gift cards for teacher appreciation week. If you have not donated, please consider doing this by Thursday. They can be dropped off in an envelope at the office that says “Teacher Appreciation” or emailed to Andrea Markert by 7pm on Thursday night.  Next Year - as leadership for Boosters moves on and it's time for new leadership to emerge, we made a few changes that we think will be positive moving forward.  Parent Support Network - No longer needed based upon great work of UH Counseling team. In lieu of this, we will be requesting updates from Courtney O'Conner from the counseling center and sharing these with you, and have also invited the counselors to attend if they have announcements. We think this is really the best way to offer true support.  Resources Committee - we also feel that what has been brought up, is that parents have questions, and often want to be connected - this liaison position can help new families and old - offering them direction as to where to get information, appropriate staff person, appropriate place on the website, or even appropriate committee to get them the information they're in need of.  Credit Card Process Support - Kelli K is going to help us with this; she's already working on both web and social - this is an extension of this that also adds in a little financial - and I think will be super helpful to have some more hands on deck with this process.  2022-2023 Will be a GREAT YEAR.  It's been a pleasure to serve.  Thank you to all current Exec Board Members and Chairs and to our incoming members.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Committee | This year | Next year | | After Prom | Carrie Kieser and Stephanie Kim | Carrie Kieser and Stephanie Kim | | Cash Bash | Angela Null | Joanne Pacetti | | Hospitality for students | Heather Brown, Laurie Dunn | Heather Brown, Laurie Dunn | | Directory | Mercy Davison | Aslihan Spaulding | | Faculty/Staff Appreciation (FSA) | Boosters Execs | Stephanie Checchi | | Fundraising | VP | VP | | Hospitality for dances | Beth Sauser | Beth Sauser | | Parent Support Network (PSN) | Chris Grieshaber | Committee changing to counseling and Courtney O’Connor will connect | | Spirit-Wear | Kacy Rader and Michelle Cervantes | Kacy Rader and Michelle Cervantes | | Gold Rush Raffle | Julia Heller and Terry Ogunleye | Dawn Miller and Kim Ekhoff | | Homecoming Event | Boosters Execs | Felicia Goodman | | Resources (new committee) | N/A | Chris Grieshaber | | Recognition – Good For U Award | Beth Sauser | Beth Sauser | | Website | Kelli Kiefer | Kelli Kiefer | | President | Jennifer McCarron | Angela Null | | Vice President | Angela Null | Jennifer McDade | | Treasurer | Teri Wilson | Shannon Moreland  Kelli Kiefer (credit card support) | | Secretary | Stephanie Checchi | Angie Reedy | | | ***VP (will also include fundraising update)***  *Angela Null* | **Fundraising/VP Report**:   * No report for fundraising this month | | ***Secretary***  Stephanie Checchi | * April minutes were posted – motion to approve by: Angela Null and seconded by Dawn Miller | | ***Treasurer***  Teri Wilson | * See treasurer report attached at the end of this document.   + Thank you to Shannon Moreland for stepping up to be treasurer for the next school year!   + Increase in funds for general account of almost $3700 for spirit wear sold   + Expenses: gold rush payment, insurance payment, and $2200 for athletic equipment, and faculty appreciation   + Note: After Prom was just held over the weekend so we wi   + See treasurer report below |   **Administration Report *(Andrea Markert – Principal)***   * New director of the laboratory schools – Dr. Anthony Jones will start in July * 3 current openings:   + Mr. Henning (art) – is retiring. 11 applicants for the art position   + School psychologist is leaving to be closer to home   + Spanish teacher opening – Dr. Augsperger is moving to ISU * We admitted 160 freshman and 20 new students in the upper classes – we will have 630 students next year! We offered 160 applications and 155 freshman accepted! Of the 20 upper students that were offered, 19 accepted. * Covid is still here – if you get Covid you have to stay home for 5 days and then masked for 5 days when you return. If you are close contact you must wear mask for 5 days at school. We did not have any Covid positive tests at all at school for 8 weeks but now they’re creeping up. * Thank you for all your support this year! * This was the first time we’ve had Grand March in 3 years! We had a lot less kids (104) attend Grand March but we had 301 kids attend prom – our biggest event ever! The kids were there the longest they’ve ever been, too! After prom was amazing – it was great for the kids! * May 11 is a big day for our school – we will have our first all-student assembly at Stroud Auditorium. Parents will be invited if their student gets an award. Then Senior Brunch at the Alumni Center (catered by Biaggi’s). Then seniors have graduation practice at Braden Auditorium – first indoor graduation since 2019! * Class night is the evening of May 11th. Everyone at the school can be here but we cannot invite the incoming 8th graders due to Covid protocols. This is a big step in the right direction and we’re so excited! Class night will be live streamed – but they will turn it off when they do the moving up of the classes. * Question – if things change with the GPA process it would only impact incoming classes. Looking at moving into a summa cum laude, magna cum laude and cum laude system moving forward. * Question – how will the new Spanish teacher impact the current class schedule – unknown yet – will depend on the application * Question – will be able to do shadowing for an incoming freshman at some point in the future? Yes – we hope to bring that back as soon as we can.   **Committee Reports**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | ***After-Prom***  ***TBD – WILL HAVE MULTI LEADS*** | **Purpose:** After-Prom provides a safe place for the students to go after the dance.  Held a first general information meeting on Jan. 20th. We’ve got some GREAT parents on deck to help with of the key areas; but need many hands on deck.  After Prom will take place from 11:00 pm on April 30th – 2:30 am on May 1st  Theme – Bright Lights, Big City. We need significant help in planning this event!   * After Prom was a HUGE success * We had 280 students attend and the feedback has been fantastic * We will be debriefing next week to talk through what worked well and what we want to improve on for next year * A huge thanks to everyone who contributed their time to volunteering to set up, clean up and RUN the event. We couldn’t have done it without you. And thank you to those of you who contributed gift cards, food and other items to make this night so successful! 85 parents volunteered throughout the week and the evening. Thank you thank you!   + After Prom committee was amazing – each sub committee was   + Decorations – Julie Benner   + Entertainment and publicity – Heather Brown and Stephanie Checchi   + Food – Morgan Blake and Kristen   + Prizes – Bridgette Chenowth   + Registration – Annie Cunningham – worlds fastest checkout EVER!   + Volunteers – Darci Kyle * A huge thanks to the momentum from Cash Bash that was able to significantly fund After Prom | | ***Cash Bash/FUNDRAISER for PROM AND BOOSTERS***  *Angela Null* | **Purpose:** To plan and execute the Cash Bash event. - THIS YEAR'S GOAL WILL NOT ONLY BUT TO HELP TO SUPPORT THE PROM BUT ALSO TO WORK AS A ALL-OVER FUNDRAISER FOR BOOSTERS WHICH SUPPORTS ALL UHIGH CO-COORICULARS  **Cash bash was Friday February 25th at Bloomington Country Club from 6 – 9 pm. It was a huge success!** | | ***Gold Rush Raffle***  *Julia Heller*  *Terry Ogunleye* | **Purpose:** To coordinate the raffle which is one of Boosters largest fundraisers.   * Thank you, Dawn Miller, for taking on Gold Rush for the 2022-2023 school year. Julia and Terry will be transitioning this role to Dawn over the next few months. | | ***Directory***  *Mercy Davison* | **Purpose:** To provide a listing of all U-High students & families for reference.   * Thank you to Aslihan Spaulding who will be taking over this committee beginning with the 2022 – 2023 school year. | | **Faculty/Staff** Appreciation (FSA) | **Purpose**: To provide meals and gifts to the faculty/staff to show our appreciation. This may include late start breakfasts, parent-teacher conference dinner, and freshman testing dinner. Additionally, gifts will be provided at the holidays and teacher appreciation week.   * Thank you Jennifer McCarron for Jason’s Deli for the teachers on freshman testing evening! * Kelli Kiefer arranged snacks for the staff as a thank you for being awesome- a huge thanks to Platinum Plumbing for donating funds to us to make this possible! | | ***Fundraising***  *Angela Null* | **Purpose:** To organize and coordinate fundraising for all sports, teams and booster programs.  The Fundraising committee exist to support groups/organizations at UHigh raise funds – and do so in a way that is in-line with all policies and procedures. We do have to be involved/have knowledge of all fundraising activity – and am hoping this year that we can make that easy and also help groups better promote their events.  Here’s how we can help: | | ***Hospitality***  *Heather Brown and Laurie Dunn* | Purpose: To provide a welcoming environment along with food/drink for our 3 hosting events: 1) Open House in September, 2) Prospective Student Open House (usually in January), and 3) Freshman Testing in April   * Thanks to Heather and Laurie for coordinating the freshman testing snacks! * They served lemonade and bottled water, as well as cookies, assorted fruits, crackers and veggies. * Laurie and Heather split the night in two shifts and had one parent volunteer with them for each shift * The night went longer than expected so the snacks were appreciated. * Freshman testing may change in the future so we may need to reevaluate the approach for next year. * Let’s re-examine the budget for next year to see if we can provide food that is a bit more substantive and maybe even something for the parents of freshman as well. | | ***Hospitality (For Dances)***  *Katy Kraft*  *Beth Sauser* | **Purpose:** To provide hospitality to our dances (back to school, black-light, and Class Night dances)   * There will be no class night dance this year. * Thank you for the work you did to make hospitality a success this year! | | ***Parent Support Network (PSN)***  *Chris Grieshaber* | **Purpose:** The PSN is parents working with and helping other parents address issues that affect us all by having events on different pertinent topics.   * Next year we will dissolve PSN (see Presidents report) and it will be run by counseling. | | ***Spirit-Wear***  *Kacy Rader*  *Michelle Cervantes* | **Purpose:** The purpose is to sell spirit wear and take proceeds to boosters as well as to promote U-High spirit in the community.   * Spiritwear is in and can be picked up in the main office * We opened the link again and the office will be sending it again to all parents again soon. * We sold about $4800 in gear at freshman testing | | ***Recognition – Good For U Award***  *Katy Kraft*  *Beth Sauser* | **Purpose:** The purpose of the Good for U Award is to recognize a student for contributions made outside of traditional academic and sports accolades. This may include acts of kindness, outstanding effort, resolution of issues, etc. Nominations may also be done for teachers & administrators for their contributions.   * No nominations received this month * We will be revisiting whether we move forward with this program now that there’s the Unstoppable Program | | ***Website/Social Media***  *Kelli Kiefer* | **Purpose**: To ensure we have a positive presence & info available on our Website.   * Kelli does an amazing job on managing our sites and promoting events. * Thank you for promoting all the after prom information for us. |   **Representative Reports**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | ***Band***  *Jennifer McDade* |  | | ***Choir***  *Laura Jennings Mitchell* | * The last choir concert (Spring concert) is Thursday May 5 | | ***Dance*** |  | | ***Orchestra***  *Jani Hall* |  | | ***Orchesis*** |  | | ***Speech*** |  | | ***Theater***  *Holly Pfister* |  | | ***Sports/Clubs*** |  | | **STEM**  *Ashish Sawhney* |  | | **Girls Golf** |  | | **Cheer**  *Jennifer McCarron* |  | | **Advisory Council** |  | | **Boys Soccer** |  | | **Girls Swimming** |  | | **Boys Football** |  | | **Boys Wresting** |  |   **Old Business**   * No old business   **New Business**   * Voting for new officers:  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **President** | Angela Null | | **Vice President** | Jennifer McDade | | **Treasurer** | Shannon Moreland  Kelli Kiefer (credit card support) | | **Secretary** | Angie Reedy |   Motion to approve: Michelle Cervantes  Seconded by: Bunny King  All members approved  **Adjourn**   * Motion to close by Dawn Miller at 7:33 pm and seconded by Aslihan Spaudling. Meeting adjourned. | |
| **Attendees:** | Andrea Markert, Jennifer McCarron, Stephanie Checchi, Angela Null, Shannon Moreland, Laura Jennings-Mitchell, Bunny King, Tim King, Dawn Miller, Chris Grieshaber, Felicia Goodman, Michelle Cervantes, Amy |
| **Treasurers Report:** See budget report below | |