



Hillcrest Academy Home & School Association (HAHSA)

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

7:00 pm

Via Zoom

HAHSA meeting

Attendees: Renee Neratzas, Jenny Georgopoulos, Maria Guglielmino, Karen Palassian, Jennifer Charbonneau, Cathy Carbone, Naushine Bakali, Angie Lazaris, Katerina Stavridis, Theodora Zikos, Dora Tavares, Jefferey Drake, Maria Almedia, Sylva Yapoudjian, Lucy Makris, Tania Creswell, Jennifer Maselli, Athena Kuimanis, Veronica Morgentaler, Patrick Cristofaro, Sheyda Senoglu, Danielle LaBlanc, Lola Moyle, Catherine Kapogiannatos, Despina Psilios, Kia Cunningham

Guest: Jennifer Butler, Sotoria Kamperogiannis

Absent: Maria Dimopoulos, Tanya Rembacz, Izabella Truschnigg, Shannon Capstick, Frangiska Xenopoulos, Hiba Aziz, Maria Patstis, Vanessa Mastriorgio, Andrea Chotintomadis, Leonidas, Mimi Sara

Minutes

Agenda item: *1. Approval of Agenda*

Presenter: Renee Neratzas

- The agenda is approved by Cathy Carbone and seconded by Karen Palassian.

Agenda item: *2. Approval of Minutes – September 16, 2021*

Presenter: Renee Neratzas

- The September 16 minutes are approved by Sheyda Senoglu and seconded by Jeffrey Drake.

Agenda item: *3. Business Arising*

Presenter: Renee Neratzas

Discussion:

3.1 Online voting /e-votes

- Voting will be done via email as it is clearer and easier to follow vs. voting in a zoom.
- An email was sent out for uniform rep. nominations; however, we didn't get any replies. Angie Lazaris has agreed to take the position. Renee motions, Cathy Carbone seconds.

3.2 Budget presentation by Maria G.:

Maria presents the budgets from last year & this year's breakdown. Details will be attached to the minutes.

- Pizza day sale detailed information
- Athletic Gear vs. Top Marks
- Afterschool activities with Amelia/Active
- Insurance info
- Etc.

Naushine asks if Google Meet will be part of the budget. Renee is using a trial offer atm.

Patrick asks if Word Press falls under office expenses. Maria confirms it does.

Sylvia Y asks about how much we currently have as when there was the voting to be done for an activity (ex: pumpkins), it was hard to decide. Maria is going to send a monthly updated budget.

J. Butler asks about how much Google Meet is costing and asking why we weren't using zoom instead. She also asks if HAHSA is still donating funds to grad, which we are.

Jenny G. relays a message from Governing Board asking about the transparency about decisions made by HAHSA without all HAHSA members. Admin must list activities to Governing Board so they can approve them as parents are paying for them.



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Maria Almeda suggests putting a procedure/protocol in place to have structure and clarity for planning afterschool activities.

Administration decides on what activities will be coming into the building.

3.3 Holiday Fair:

- Christmas decorations (wrapping paper) for the school.
- Cookie decoration. \$2.5k budget (\$5 per cookie with milk per student).
- Santa parade with sleigh for December 22.
- Holiday breakfast will be offered to the students. Cost per child is \$5.50 (no meat) / \$5.75 (with meat). Still TBD.

Agenda item: *4.1 Principal/Vice Principal's Report* **Presenter:** Jennifer Butler

Discussion:

- Huge success for the corn roast.
- Food drive for Halloween
- Terry Fox run was well organized and over 11k was raised.
- Maison des Arts outings planned, waiting for Governing Board's approval.

Agenda item: *4.2 President's Report* **Presenter:** Renee Neratzas

Discussion:

- Everblast scheduled for the week of October 25.

Agenda item: *4.3 Vice President's Report* **Presenter:** Sheyda Senoglu

Discussion:

- Says thanks for electing her and that she's here if you need any help.

Agenda item: *4.4 Treasurer's Report* **Presenter:** Maria Guglielmino

Discussion:

- See 3.2.

Agenda item: *4.5 Governing Board Representative's Report* **Presenter:** Theodora Zikos

Discussion:

- Nothing to report

Agenda item: *4.6 Charity Director's Report* **Presenter:** Cathy Carbone

Discussion:

- Received a cheque for \$100.



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Agenda item: *4.7 Fundraising Director's Report* **Presenter:** Karen Palassian

Discussion:

- Reminder that Super Recycleur is this Sunday with used uniform sales.
- Bad Monkey is donating all the popcorn for the Halloween fundraiser, so 100% of the funds are coming back to the school. 144 boxes of popcorn with 77 buckets sold, still finalizing numbers.
- The email, facebook post and website are done/sent regarding the Holiday Shop.
- Athletic merchandising – no date yet regarding the sweat pant shortage. Called different suppliers and there is a shortage across Canada. As soon as she gets more news, she'll advise the parents.

Agenda item: *4.8 QFHSA Representative's Report* **Presenter:** Naushine Bakali

Discussion:

- Submitted all the forms for the QFHSA.
- A few of the exec. Members attended the workshops that were offered. Will notify members of upcoming workshops by email.
- Taking advantage of the insurance offered for pizza, TCBY and afterschool activities.
- 35 members have paid the fee.

Agenda item: *4.9 Uniform Representative's Report* **Presenter:** Angie Lazanis

Discussion:

- Nothing to report.

Agenda item: *4.10 Photo Representative's Report* **Presenter:** Dora Tavares

Discussion:

- Retakes will be done on October 22. Tania C. and she will be at the school.
- 15% commission cheque coming in latest January 2022.
- Some parents are saying the photos weren't great. Only close-up pictures were offered and only found out say of. Class pictures were not able to be done as students couldn't remove their masks. They stated that they will do class pictures at a later date. Last resort will be a mosaic style, but TBC.
- We have a 1-year contract & may change supplier. Email them for suggestions.
- Kathy asks if we can discuss with the photographer about our options before the graduation pictures take place. Dora clarifies that this can be discussed during grad committee meeting as it does not HAHSA, however Jenny G. reminds them that there is no grad committee this year.
- Issues are brought up and a few people have conflicting opinions. Renee mentions that she will have to mute everyone when a conversation gets out of hand when everyone is talking at the same time as when it's being held online it can become chaotic.
- Jennifer C. suggests that anyone that has complaints regarding their pictures to send feedback to the company directly.
- Naushine suggests asking parents via email for feedback regarding picture day, uniforms, etc.



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Agenda item: *4.11 Head Volunteer*

Presenter: Kathy Stavriadis
Catherine Kapogiannatos

Discussion: • Needs 6 volunteers for Sunday's Super Recycleur and used uniform sales.

Agenda item: *4.12 Hospitality Directors*

Presenter: Danielle LeBlanc
Kia Cunningham (abs)
Hiba Aziz (abs)
Jennifer Maselli

Discussion: • Decorated for Halloween. Taking down around November 2. Tentatively for Nov. as it's a ped day.

Agenda item: *4.13 Cycle Representatives*

Presenter: Pre-K: Sylva Yapoudjan
K: Veronica Morgentaler
I: Debbie Psilios
Patrick Cristofaro
II: Jefferey Drake
Mimi Sara
III: Lola Moyle
Sotoria Kamperogiannis

Discussion: • Veronica asks about tasks that she can do.
• All other cycles: Nothing to report.

Agenda item: *5. Varia*

Presenter: Renee Neratzas

Discussion: • Super Recylceur info updated for Sunday.
• People can drop off used uniforms on Sunday as well.
• J. Butler suggests investing in technology for Hillcrest Academy (Chrome books, ipads, etc) for our next big fundraising project.
• There may not be a Governing Board meeting next month. Will know early November if it will be held.

Agenda item: *6. Date of Next Meeting*

Presenter: Renee Neratzas

Discussion: • Tuesday, November 16, 2021 @6:30pm or 7pm, time TBC.

Agenda item: *7. Adjournment*

Presenter: Renee Neratzas

Discussion: • *Adjournment at 8:30pm motioned by Renee Neratzas. Approved by Sheyda and seconded by Kathy Stavriadis.*