

RSPS HSA Executive Meeting Agenda 2020-2021

Date 3/1/21 at 2 PM

RSPS HSA Focus:

Inclusive Community- Faith Centered- Academic Excellence

Meeting Outcomes:		
By the end of this meeting, participants will have:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heard updates on various topics associated with our school and operations - Scheduled upcoming events - Reviewed previous actions items and determined new action items 		
Meeting Roles:		
Time Keeper	Meeting Notes	Review of Action Items
<i>Help facilitator keep track of time for each action item</i>	<i>Take summary notes & decisions for each action item and record action items as they are decided upon</i>	<i>Take the group through each action item and determine if any follow up is still needed</i>
Jen...we are keeping to a 5-7 minutes per chair position so we do not run over	Lauren	Maria
Attendance: Tracy Underwood, Stephanie Finamore, Maria Calvery, Sarah Mariman, Katie Huber, Michael Mayforth, Ashley Mellott, Jen Ford, Lauren Shutz		

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitator
5'	Opening Prayer	M. Calvery
50' <i>Each position should limit to 10 min. maximum; aim for 5</i>	<p><u>Position Updates</u></p> <p>Resurrection/St. Paul's Church Liaison Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From Kersten Reyes: nothing new to reported since last meeting, Parish Council Meeting tonight, 7pm. ● From Michael Mayforth: <p>Notes from meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sarah to send Michael restaurant night info for the church bulletin. ● Also Kersten Reyes followed up after her Church of the Resurrection meeting to ask that we share PantherFest info on the virtual beer tasting with both churches. <p>Treasurer: Financials-February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sharon will run the update by meeting time on 3/1 ● GoG Spring-create timeline 	

Notes from meeting:

- There was a question of when the RSPS business office cuts checks, Sharon Tornatore cuts checks every Wednesday.
- Katie will work with Sharon on Gifts of Gratitude roll out and timing.

Secretary:

- Should the HSA look into adding a virtual assembly to take place during the school day? Similar to the Science Spectacular that took place on Friday 2/26. This was suggested by Laura Schwing and could also be a great in school teachable moment after the assembly for discussion, follow up, peer interaction, etc.
- Update on PantherFest 2.0
- Used uniform sale same time as PantherFest package pickup potentially on Friday, March 26th during afternoon dismissal
- Teacher Liaison for HSA? Mrs. Zalucki or another staff member could be point person for teacher requests for special supplies, assemblies, etc. maybe a parent who is also a teacher and needs hours.

Notes from meeting:

- At the May HSA meeting we discussed adding the position of a teacher to the board, potentially a teacher/parent spokesperson, realizing this person would not be able to attend most meetings but would be a good liaison between RSPS staff and HSA.
- The next used uniform sale will take place on Friday 3/26/21.
- PantherFest ticket sales are going well, 26 purchased so far

Room Parents:

- **Volunteer Hours:** Many struggling. How can we offer additional opportunities. Can we encourage each teacher to create an Amazon Wish list for classroom items? Limit 5-10. Allow for extra purchases to count as hours?
- **Bingo:** Wait to hear how we can assist.
- **PantherFest:** Drum up participation in class Facebook groups and homeroom emails.
- **End of Year/Graduation Planning/Gifts of Gratitude June launch**

Notes from meeting:

- Stephanie Finamore to talk to Mrs. Resnberger about volunteer hour ideas, including a Day of Service with Monsignor John (already scheduled) and RSPS parent volunteers are needed for planning the games portion of Fall Fest 2021
- Aimee Sirmon (7th grade room parent) is taking the lead on 8th grade graduation and how 6th and 7th grade room parents can help; Aimee is scheduling a call with admin to discuss over Zoom

Vice President:

- Future events for hsa to provide? Yes or no?
- Possible teacher "gift" to all using HSA funds. Many teachers

seem to have classroom needs that we could help provide

- Teacher/staff survey results regarding needs, likes/dislikes etc
- Restaurant Night Updates

Notes from meeting:

- Discussed possibility in the future of teacher reimbursement from HSA funds for school supply needs (after teacher submits receipts)
- Kelsey's restaurant night to take place on 3/23, we have also added IHOP to the list of restaurant night locations and Peace a Pizza in Catonsville.
- For the 2021-2022 calendar year we will have no more than 2 restaurant nights a month

President:

- Reminder for everyone to review their Job Descriptions to make sure you are doing what is part of the duties assigned.
- Fall Festival - Stephanie would like to discuss HSA's involvement
- General Meeting April - Screenagers
- Mentor Program - School Board would like to see what we have for this. Truthfully, it probably needs to be cleaned up in terms of who is interested in helping with the program. Sarah and I have talked - maybe we set up a google form for families interested in hosting. Some additional questions:
 - Typically, when does Delyza get the names of new people coming in? If we could start getting names in June then we can better align host families. AND to start making the connection earlier
 - Sarah has documents on when we should email our families and what should be discussed. We will collaborate to make sure we aren't missing anything

Notes from meeting:

- Fall Festival needs a chair/chairs of games, this parent volunteer could participate in meetings with the Resurrection church Fall Fest Committee in person or over zoom; chair/chairs would make sure we have equipment needed for games (in shed) and purchase prizes that are affordable yet fun for all ages of kids; Ashley and Jenn to put out requests for volunteers (already done)
- Screenagers has been scheduled for the April General Membership Meeting
- Regarding the mentor program, Sarah has "welcome packets for new students" documents saved. It is not likely that we will be able to maintain a 1:1 ratio for new students/mentor families in the 2021-2022 school year.
- Letter for bus service to BOE ??

The Board of Education for Howard County Public Schools has made the decision to discontinue bus service for all parochial school students in Howard County. As a community, we are doing everything that we can to encourage the board to overturn this

decision and renew funding of the bus service.

This effort impacts our community in many ways:

- Equal access to our school for diverse students
- Less congestion in the school parking lot during drop off and pick up
- Reduced traffic
- Positive environmental impact for everyone

Please help us to overturn this decision by sending an email to boe@hcpss.org.

Please see the below email sample. Please feel free to use the example email text as a testimony or to write your own.

*Members of the Board and Superintendent
Martirano,*

I am writing to you to express my support for the renewed funding of busing for our schoolchildren. This funding has historically had a profound impact for many families and enabled children from diverse backgrounds to attend our school. Parochial schools help reduce the significant cost and space burdens that our county schools continue to face. School busing is a small cost to pay for the safe transit of our children while reducing traffic on our congested roadways. I appreciate your consideration of this very important issue.

Thank you so much for your support!

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Principal:

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3'	Previous Items:	
2'	New Action Items:	