

## ST. CHARLES NORTH PTO MEETING

Date: March 2, 2021

Time: 6:30 PM

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Laura Thomas, Board President/Board Treasurer
Jennifer Montgomery, Board Vice President
Linda Rutishauser, Secretary
Audra Christenson, Principal
Brenna Ohlson, North Liaison
Bella Rybialek, Student Council Liaison
Erin Manheim, Senior Class Advisor/Student Council Advisor/Asst Director, Student Activities
Filseta Sereke-Berhan, Web Editor
Sue Evers, Holiday Hospitality Chair
Heidi Fairgrieve, Sr. Scholarship Chair
8 additional parent attendees

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PTO website update is completed. There are several new pages including a new page designated for seniors (located under the "For Parents" tab). <a href="https://www.scnpto.com/seniors">www.scnpto.com/seniors</a>

3 PTO board and 7 Chair positions are still needed. Go to the Volunteer page at the PTO website to learn more. www.scnpto.com/volunteer-1

The next senior celebration committee is scheduled for Thursday 3/4/21. 5 additional events are being planned. Instead of Post Prom, the PTO will be partnering with the school on their events as well as hosting a large raffle during one of the evening events. There will be a survey going out to seniors to give feedback on the raffle prizes.

#### Upcoming events:

- 1. PTO is working with the Snack Shack to buy snacks that will handed out to the students when they leave the building on an A in-person day and a B in-person day. Dates TBD.
- 2. PTO is hosting a restaurant day at Taylor Street Pizza on March 25<sup>th</sup> (day of Mr. SCN). They are offering 50% off any cheese pizza.

#### **FINANCIALS**

PTO collected over \$5,100.00 for the family in need with an additional \$200.00 received this week.

\$43.00 was donated to Random Acts of Kindness from the Buona Beef Fundraiser held in December.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Spring musical, Theory of Relativity, is scheduled for April 22 – April 25. Details on how to order tickets will be in Polaris Express. This will be a virtual presentation.

The Class of 2021 celebration committee meetings continue on Thursdays. The committee includes 6 parents and 6 senior students from both North and East as well as 6 total administrators and 6 teachers between the 2 schools. There will be 5 events plus 2 additional events for seniors this year.

8/10 pandemic experience focus groups have been completed with the last 2 to be done the week of March 8<sup>th</sup>. This project is being done with Mr. Richter, Principal at SCE. The information will be shared with SCN staff and BOE once it is completed.

Winter sports are coming to an end. Dance qualified for state which is this weekend. Cheerleading team is going to sectionals. Families and friends can go to NFHS Network to watch the competition. Springs sports are starting soon.

Mock trial is going to state March 12-14<sup>th</sup>. Scholastic Bowl is hosting our first ever regional on March 8<sup>th</sup>, this is the first time we are hosting.

5 Essentials Survey will be completed by the students on March 12<sup>th</sup> during 4<sup>th</sup> period. The survey is also open to parents. There will be a link in Polaris and sent via email.

Graduation will be the last week of May, sometime between May 22 and May 24<sup>th</sup>. The final details will be announced as soon as they are finalized.

Testing is upcoming: April 13th junior SAT, April 15th sophomore testing, April 20th freshman PSAT.

AP testing – There will be 3 testing sessions. Teachers will be talking to the students this week to review testing options which are paper and pencil or online. There is also a survey that will be sent out by Mr. Peters.

Students were able to start playing their instruments and singing this week after the school worked with the district to ensure proper COVID-19 guidelines were met.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Bella Rybialek, Student Council; Erin Manheim, Senior Class Advisor/Student Council Advisor/Asst Director, Student Activities
  - Erin reviewed the plans for Prom which includes 5 different locations that the students will promenade through in groups. Each room will have a theme. Budget is \$2,000 per room. Laura said she would reach out to the decorator who is in charge of post prom decorations to see what supplies they have in storage that they could use and to see if they would be available to help the juniors with decorating the rooms.
  - Seniors are in sub-committees focusing on what they are now calling Senior Kickback instead of Senior Breakfast and Senior Barbeque as well as senior superlatives, and the Princess Superhero Breakfast. Juniors are focusing on Senior Prom and Mr. SCN

- planning. Sophomores are working with restaurants on fundraising around the musical, and the freshman are working on service projects.
- o STCO hosted the custodial appreciation lunch.

#### Jenny Montgomery – DPTO

 DPTO meeting had a guest speaker, Donna Clavelli, who spoke about the St. Charles Youth Committee. They are seeking volunteers to be on the committee. Parents are welcome to volunteer as well. Currently, the only have 1 NHS student volunteer. Go to www.stcharlesil.gov for more information.

#### Brenna Ohlson – Teacher/PTO Liaison

- o Extended learning sessions are still available for students
- Testing season for freshman through junior classes will be starting in April; there will be more information coming out in the near future.

#### Tom Mullally – Boosters (report per Laura Thomas)

 Fundraiser at Top Golf in Schaumburg is April 18<sup>th</sup>, go the Booster website to purchase tickets.

# **Upcoming dates**

Thursday March 25 – MR. SCN 4:00 to 9:00 pm; Taylor Street PTO 50% off cheese pizza March TBD – Student treat days April 6 6:30 p.m. - PTO meeting

#### **NEXT MEETING**

April 6, 2021 | 6:30 PM

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM

## EXECUTIVE PTO MEETING - MARCH 1, 2021

The Board reviewed and approved February financials.

PTO Board approved the use of \$2,000.00 in discretionary funds to be added to senior Post Prom donation.