CONANT BOOSTERS 2019-2020

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 14, 2019

Welcome from President – Elizabeth Paveza opened the meeting at 7:00pm and welcomed all in attendance. She welcomed newcomers, Heather Sharbaugh and Heather Vargas.

Thirteen (13) Board members were in attendance: Elizabeth Paveza, Carol Hominac, Melanie Tomaso, Katie Palomo, Jen Schols, Amanda Piecuch, Adrienne Bolbot, Julie Henry, Angie Catania, Molly Bryant, Traci Garcia, Paula Waterman, Kathy Stanislawski

Three(3) General members were in attendance: Heather Vargas, David Gilbert, Heather Sharbaugh

Recording Secretary – Katie Palomo asked for a Board member motion and a second to approve the December 10th meeting minutes. Melanie Tomaso made the motion and Carol Hominac seconded it.

Principal Report - Julie Nowak was not present and reported busy and challenging tech issues for incoming freshman night. It was not ideal but overall good. They are working on best possible placement for students by going into the junior highs. This will be an average class size. Finals went really well. They are navigating the new wellness program and pulled the final out of traditional finals week. This reduced the number of students having 3 finals in 1 day. If any student has 3 finals in 1 day, they can ask to change their schedule. Not having students in the gym during finals also allowed staff to inventory gym equipment. The students like having finals before winter break so they can relax. The start of second semester has been good and very smooth. They are digging into teacher evaluations and the hiring process to get the best teachers available. Kids are picking their classes early so they can use it for evaluations and deciding what classes to offer. The 5 essentials survey has begun, and parents have almost reached the percentage goal. Students will take it next week. In PE, the beginning of this semester, they were looking into the fitness vs classroom component. The fitness section is a small part of the grade. If they miss a class, they get a no credit mark and an opportunity to make it up.

Activities Director Report – Mark Langer was present and reported this Saturday is the winter dance in the cafeteria. We have begun competition season for winter activities, including BPA team(Business Professionals of America), MSL competitive dance. We are hosting the Jr. High girls GEM event. 3 students won the Congressional App Challenge.

Athletic Director Report - John Kane was not present.

President – Elizabeth Paveza was present and reported she posted the 5 essentials survey to Facebook and will do it again. We got a letter and photos from Mrs. Hess who got a \$400 mini grant for Author Day. Liz really likes our blasts this year and the most recent was really good. She especially likes the new spotlight segment. This spotlight was girls wrestling and the next one will be about the BPA team. Looking to next year, we need help for post prom.

Vice President Report – Debbie Anestopoulos was not present.

Treasurer Report – Melanie Tomaso was present and reported she has the December financials, but Paypal is a month behind. Most of the December activity is spirit wear and gift cards. She also has the November financials if anyone wants them. Please fill out check request forms if needing a check.

Corresponding Secretary Report – Sky Capriolo was not present and Liz reported she sent out 2 cards. 1 congratulations to Nate Elzinga on a baby girl and 1 condolence to Laura Castro on the passing of her father.

Committee Reports

Communications - Sky Capriolo was not present.

Conant Social Fundraiser - Traci Garcia and Dynette Lucas were present and reported the website is updated and ticket sales are available. We just need to push ticket sales. Donations are coming in. We have a new vendor for the silent auction. We can get a discount of 40% on top of already discounted price. They will send a flyer to Liz. You can also sign up to be a table sponsor. They decided not to do Lyft but will think about it for next year. The tickets are \$50 and include food and an open bar for 3 hours. They asked Mark to ask staff to donate. They want to create a Facebook event. A Chuck-a-Duck game with a 50/50 prize is being worked out. 10 Disney hopper tickets were obtained.

Concessions - Yassi Delgado and Dan Sarich were not present.

Craft Fair - Tracy Gebhardt was not present and Liz reported the craft fair will be September 26, 2020 and 58 booths are already full.

Craft Fair Concessions - Angie Catania and Patricia Laudando were not present.

Dances - Kathy Stanislawski and RoseAnne Caboor were present and reported they need volunteers for coat check and concessions. They have 4 for each so far and want 10 for each. There are about 200 students attending currently. The cafeteria location is deterring some students. The theme is a blackout – black outfits with neon lights.

Fundraisers - Carol Hominac and Jenn Reiger were present and reported the Savers event is what helped us get the Disney hopper tickets. The mattress fundraiser will be April 18, with more information to come. Last year we got the signs late and the ground was frozen. We are

still doing the Buffalo Wild Wings "Team C" fundraiser. The gift cards were a big hit and we are considering doing another in the spring – "Moms and Grads".

Grill - John Williams and Patti Jennings were not present.

Hospitality - Molly Bryant were present and reported the Honors Convocation will be April 30th and will have about 250-300 attendees. We voted to change the name Hospitality to Special Events next year. We need a date for the Custodians' dinner.

Membership - Paula Waterman and Jen Schols were present and reported nothing new other than 1 future freshman family paid for their membership for next year.

Volunteers – Jen Schols was present and reported we need to put up an event for Honors convocation night. No senior parents can volunteer. We also need volunteers for the Social. You can attend and volunteer.

Post Prom - Adrienne Bolbot and Michael Clark were present and reported prom and post prom will be Saturday, May 2nd. Prom fair does not have date or theme yet but will need volunteers. Once date and theme are known, there will be an art department contest to design the ticket. We will need 25 volunteers for post prom. Volunteers will also be needed to sell tickets during lunches.

Scholarships - Kelly O'Hara was not present and Liz reported the application is ready to post on the website. She will request an announcement to be made on the D211 website. Applications are due March 13.

Cougar Corner Spirit Store - Julie Henry and Paula Waterman were present and reported the last day is May 8th. There was a price increase on hoodies. The store is starting to be open for home basketball games. We are already making a profit for this year. We will get more senior yard signs and possibly regular Conant yard signs. We will need to retire some items since there is not too much room. We are selling left over gym banners to coaches.

Website – Paula Waterman was present and reported David will be the co-chair for next year. She updated scholarship information and started online ticket sales for the Social. Send her any updates.

Adjournment – Elizabeth Paveza adjourned the meeting at 7:53:pm

Next Meeting - Tuesday, February 11 at 7:00 pm in the Media Center

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by

Katie Palomo

2019-20 Recording Secretary