# **UCVTS – APA PTSO Meeting Minutes**

# **November 12, 2020**

#### 7:00 PM

# **Virtual Meeting on Zoom**

# 1. Call to order - Heather Lessing

## 2. Motion to skip the reading of the Oct. 8th meeting minutes

**a.** Maria Rose Breien made the motion and was seconded by Maritza Sokolosky and Celeste Aarons-Jenkins

## 3. Principal's update -Ms. Marcello

- **a.** PowerSchool is closed to parents and students until 5pm on Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> to allow teachers to enter grades for the first marking period. The closure is longer than usual due to accommodations made for the hybrid learning environment and the extension of handing in assignments to be graded.
- **b.** Instant Alert: There was a test of the new alert system of Sept 25<sup>th</sup> through the website vs. Honeywell. The parent information was obtained through Infosnap. If information wasn't entered into infosnap, there isn't a way to contact you via the alert system. A second test alert will be conducted at the end of the month. This is the system used to alert everyone about school closings such as snow days.
- **c.** Virtual Halloween Dance: Thanks to Dr. Bakari for organizing many of the activities and several APA students attending, the party was a huge success.
- **d.** Student Council Fundraisers:
  - Freshman Chipotle fundraiser on Dec 8<sup>th</sup> in Clark
  - Chocolate Wednesdays in December via Zoom for holiday themed activities and games
- **e.** Underclassmen photos: Possible selfie uploads into the yearbook site for consistency

#### 4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

# a. Treasurer's Report – Jennie Hernandez

- Main account: As of Oct 1<sup>st</sup> \$14,517.57 As of Oct 31<sup>st</sup>- \$15,426.84
- All combined accounts \$41,398.70
- Mixed Bag: \$126.40 thus far. The PTSO receives 40% of every order
- Amazon Smile: \$53.38 for past 3 months

# b. Membership - Pamela Magee

- Membership deadline was extended until November 15th
- 122 Members (28 Freshman, 35 Sophmore, 35 Junior, 24 Senior), almost everyone rejoined
- Directory is going out shortly

### c. Facebook/Website - Maria Rose Breien & Pamela Magee

**d.** All is working well on the site. The Mixed Bag fundraiser link was added. It was also added to our Facebook page

# e. Spirit Wear – Jennie Hernandez

 APA ornaments are \$12 and will go the site at the end of the month.

#### 5. FUNDRAISING:

- a. Mixed Bag Heather Lessing
  - BoonSupply.com
- b. Holiday Spectacular showcase is being created for family and students to participate in similar to Broadway night.
- c. Bingo is officially moving from January to Spring at an outdoor venue
- d. Ongoing: Amazon Smile, FlipGive Please sign up and spread the word to family and friends.
- e. Scip gift card fundraiser is coming soon
- f. Project Graduation Committee Updates:
  - Class of 2021 Krispy Kreme has been approved but timing is based on Krispy Kreme availability. It will be virtual with the purchase of a coupon and donut pickup during specified times. PJ location will tentatively be at Lifetime Athletics in Berkley Heights (Please keep this confidential as it is a surprise for the seniors). 3 different scenarios are being planned based on CDC guidelines.
  - Class of 2022 Rocky Horror brought in \$750. The group that runs the drive in is looking to get an extension on the lot they use through the holiday. It could be a great PTSO fundraiser in the future. A virtual trivia night is being scheduled as well.
  - Class of 2023
  - Class of 2024

### **6. NEW BUSINESS:**

### a. Committee Updates:

 Great response to volunteer requests and are in the process of organized based on requests. The priority is Student Performance Committee, which already had liaisons for Theater and Dance so the names of the volunteers were provided to them. There were 2 parents interested in being representatives for the Tech department. All other committees are being worked on such as Prize Bingo and Relay for Life. The Hospitality committee needs to determine what should be done for the staff for the holidays, if that is possible.

# b. Staff Appreciate Gifts:

 Christine took care of the goody bags for Oct and is looking for volunteers for November and December. Please reach out to Christine. Approx. 25 bags should be made. The expense should be minimal

#### c. Art of Creation:

Will be virtual and working on logistics and timing.

## d. Snow Days:

 To be determined; probably virtual and may be used for other purposes

#### e. Year Book Orders:

 Time to order and there is an early bird pricing opportunity now with pricing increasing as we approach June

## f. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

- General Meeting Dates
  - 1. January 7, 2021
  - 2. March 11, 2021
  - 3. May 13,2021
- Executive Committee Meetings (consists of Executive Board and the Committee Chairs)
  - 1. Monthly
- Executive Board Meetings (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, Board of Ed. Liaison)
  - 1. As needed

# g. Senior Class Candygrams

 Please keep the class of 2021 in the loop regarding Art of Creation and the Family Night so that they can take orders for