

Stone Bridge High School PTSO 43100 Hay Road, Ashburn, VA 20147

3/16/2021 PTSO Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Lori Steger, Veena Sajjan, Amber Talbert, Saige Burns, Jen Underwood, Jeanne Murck-Meyer, Calvin Adams, Tim Flynn, Kacy Nielsen, Sandra Sokol, Beth Sastre, Wendy Ragoon, Gita Urban-Mathieux, Patti Cantor, Heidi Hayes, Lisa McGrail, Debra Skrzypek, Sandy Guilliano, Becca Welt, Liz Hafer, Laurie Guzman, Mary Reilly, Rose Ridolfi, Jeanette Fehr,

General Info: Lori

- Tonight's meeting: Brief PTSO business meeting and updates, then we will hear from Assistant Principal Calvin Adams who directs SBHS Special Education department, speaking about special ed concerns, and also Principal, Tim Flynn who will give school updates. Specifically we have asked them both to share information on support services for students who have struggled academically during this school year related to distance learning due to Covid-19.
- SBHS Theater Boosters 1st restaurant spirit night fundraiser to help raise money for the Stone Bridge theater department, Monday, March 22nd from 4-10pm at Texas Roadhouse, 19990 Riverside Commons Plaza, Ashburn, VA 20147.
- Open PTSO board and committee positions: we are specifically looking for a treasurer for next school year, but are open to other interest as well please contact <u>stonebridgeptso.pres@gmail.com</u> if interested in joining our team (Project Grad, Fundraising, Scholarship committee, Hospitality)

Secretary updates: Jeanne

• Written and video minutes provided in February are on the PTSO website for review and board approval

Scholarship updates: Jeanne

- Opened application March 15, 2021
- Link to Application Form
 - 2021 Stone Bridge PTSO Senior Scholarship Application
- Senior applicants parents must have a current 2020-2021 PTSO membership
- Non-senior parents are needed for the committee, please email <u>stonbridgeptso.sec@gmail.com</u> if interested

Hospitality: Saige

- Grab and go breakfast was a success on 2/22 (put bags together) and 2/23 (staff picked up bags). Thank you to our volunteers and all those who donated!
- Signs for teachers yards delivered on Monday before hybrid began. "Sponsor a sign" money raised was very generous, thank you!
- Next event: Staff appreciation in early May

SBHS PTSO Membership Form

Treasurer: Gini

- Income as of 2/1/2021 9,690.58
- Expenses as of 2/1/2021 \$4,3367.20

Minority Student Achievement Advisory Committee (MSAAC) info/updates: Amber Talbert

- Meetings are held from 7-9 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. All meetings are being conducted virtually right now, with links being shared prior to each meeting.
- February Meeting Video Link: <u>https://vimeo.com/513413899</u>
- March 17 meeting topic: Inclusion https://www.lcps.org/Page/164836

Project Grad: Lisa McGrail and Carolyn Brooks

- Very good & up to date information is on the Website:<u>https://sbangp.ecwid.com/</u>
- Senior Yard signs will be delivered in the next week.
- Plans for the party are on hold awaiting further graduation confirmation.
- We are collecting baby pictures for guessing game via Google docs

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) info/updates: Veena

- SEAC meetings, first Wednesday of each month
- March 3rd meeting was Transition Planning for College Bound Students, presenter Hannah Serota, CEO, M.Ed., CEP, Creative College Connections
- Parent Resource Services offers several online workshops. For more information, please visit <u>https://www.lcps.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=179754</u>
- April 7th is next meeting : Instructional Practices: Science of Reading & Equity

Administration Team Update:

Mr. Flynn, Mr. Adams, Mrs. Hayes, Ms. Nielsen:

Mrs. Hayes is moving back to Washington State and will be leaving. Very sad day! Shout out - she's been a great help.

Mr. Flynn - thanks to the PTSO for the large donation provided to assist in the security/safety of the school; setting up the lanes every day is a big chore & so a skater vehicle will be purchased with the funds donation from the PTSO

Graduation/Prom: Eagle Bank is no longer available for the graduation, so Plan B is in effect - graduation will be held at Stone Bridge; graduation may be a "graduation weekend" and not just one day depending on the safety/covid protocols. There may be one graduation in the stadium or staggered 100 students at a time (4 separate) if needed due to whatever safety protocols are in place. He doesn't want to limit tickets, inside would be too restricted, hoping that we can have one graduation outside with everyone in the stadium. Weather can be a factor depending on heat.

Prom: Hotel was canceled. Working on some creative solutions including outdoor prom on decorated tennis courts? He is working with students and student leadership on these ideas, input is being gathered, district input / ideas. Mr. Flynn is waiting on issuing messages about this until exact information is available.

COVID mitigation efforts are going well. SB is not on the list for new infections every day... Kids have done an excellent job with the protocols.

Reminder: course selection is happening now; it has been slower in this virtual format with most students. Running into problems right now including the same problem as last year, ASL. There is very limited staff available for that. No applicants for this position are in so far for ASL, not a lot of people are certified in teaching this. It is a struggle.

Administration Team Presentation:

Mrs. Hayes - Credit & Concept Recovery Slides

Tiered approach - credit recovery is for folks who have failed a class; concept recovery is for students who have important gaps; tier

Tier 1 is for everyone concept recovery/universal support; Tier 2 is for folks who have failed 1-2 classes; Tier 3 intensive interventions for students who have failed 3+ classes

Tier 1 - <u>Universal Support</u> (slide presented) - teachers are working with individual students in their classes on concept and grade recovery for students;

Flynn reminder; AP/DE center funding was budgeted to assist with concept/content recovery since the end of last year; Writing center is in place

Tier 2 - <u>Targeted Interventions</u> (slide presented) - teachers are working on credit recovery with students who failed 1-2 classes in the first semester (currently in process - email teacher if this has not been discussed with you regarding your student)

Tier 3 - <u>Intensive Support</u> (slide presented)- available to students who failed 3+ courses for the semester; Invitations sent March 2nd, program started March 9th. Any interested parents should reach out to their school counselor; Kids are really doing well & this program is doing well.

Summer School - summer school will be available to students who fail for the year; it will be similar to intensive support model - in person 4-5 days a week - this will be communicated more fully at a later date.

Mr. Adams - Special Education discussion

<u>Students with IEPs at Stone Bridge</u> (slide presented) 13% of students; varied levels of student support are in place including self-contained settings to general ed classes depending on need Partnerships with other organizations including very successful Cedar Lane ES program (re-started)

<u>What if I'm worried the IEP is not being followed (slide presented); reach out to case manager</u> first, then up to dept. Chair, den, AP Mr Adams, Principal Flynn or up to Cluster Supervisor Ms. Hansen

<u>Unified Sports Program</u> (slide presented): special olympics criteria for athletes; partner athletes can be any student; SB has basketball and track & field; SB is looking to add Bocci! <u>Why do students have a different special education case manager each year?</u>: (slide

presented): Case manager is a co-teacher in one of the student's classes generally based on the system used at SB.

How does admin. Staff know if the Case Manager is following the protocol? (slide presented): The admin team follows up with case managers and teachers regularly

<u>Testing Accommodations (slide presented)</u>: Accommodations are handled in two different ways - SOL testing or other school based is determined by student's IEP; Guidance counselor

Kristen Fulcher coordinates the College Board testing accommodations requests (for PSAT/SAT). Please allow plenty of time for this application process.

<u>Transition Services:</u> (slide presented): there is a dedicated transition teacher that consults with all students with IEPs with their transitions - into SB and also outgoing to support career goals; Post secondary support is very highly individualized.

<u>Will SBHS offer any learning loss recovery programs for special education students other than</u> <u>those who failed a class?</u> (slide presented). YES, SB is already offering concept recovery Will there be any extra electives offered over the summer, such as in reading/writing? More information is coming, however SB admin is considering all options

<u>Areas of focus</u> (slide presented) - coordination with cluster schools; staff training in MANDT (for de-escalation/conflict resolution); streamlined communication has been a focus to include website improvements; newsletter features; collaboration among teachers & staff; parent focus group to identify student / parent needs

Questions: How does content recovery work for a student that isn't failing? If there is a specific area that a parent is worried about, please reach out to the teacher or admin about this; content recovery is done on an individual basis; Mondays are an entire day that students can use to schedule individual meetings for content recovery issues with their teachers