

Homestead High School Parent Club

November 12, 2020 Minutes

Zoom Meeting 11:00 am

I. Welcome

II. Dr. Ginder:

Goal to provide most info via mailings, tweets and email.

Updates and Q/A

Transition to all real-time:

- Impressed with students logging in and making transition
- Outstanding participation so far
- Happy with the adapted schedule

Extra curriculars:

- Will likely have no or limited spectators for all events.
- If county changes to Covid-Red status, we will have no fans or audience
- Goal is to remain active – plan is in place to allow winter extra curriculars to continue with limited or no audience.
- Everyone in county is on same page. Students go, participate, leave and next group comes in.
- *Plans are approved by county and shared with the state.*
- *Live Feed and Streaming are invaluable.*
- *HHS Media has been extremely impressive and try to provide that for as many activities as possible.*
- *We may be required to cancel, but we will move forward.*
- FANS in the STANDS – Return to Play – have been posted and approved.

GRADUATION:

- Format will be determined as date gets closer.

Homestead planning based on Covid and Governor's Orders:

- Quarantine list is different than students who are ill/tested positive.
- HS has a reliable real time update of students home for quarantine and illness.
- Number of adults required to quarantine prompted transition to virtual learning. Staff and subs are extremely limited.
- Students/staff are not being exposed at school. *Exposure is due to travel sports, church camps, dance studios, and other non-school related activities.*

- Quarantine and contact tracing is provided by county and the length is determined by the county health department.
- While many of the kids that are in quarantine are not testing positive and getting sick, contact tracing and two-week quarantine are not likely to change.
- Thanksgiving is a concern, but HHS will monitor. As well as for Winter Break.

Teacher Morale and Boosting Morale of Students:

- Difficult without it seeming hollow as there are so many students.
- Teachers are reminded to talk to each student each period.
- If kids are in stress, parents should reach out to staff on their behalf
 - Interventions are in place and ongoing
 - Less worried about kids who are involved in winter activities
 - Worried about kids that have not been in building since last March.
 - Brainstorm ideas – speakers, presentations, etc. social distancing limits options

III. Guest Speaker: Jeanne Zehr, Director and Founder of The MINDCAP Center

Thank you to Dr. Zehr for her informative presentation.

IV. Treasurer Report:

- Spent \$1000.
- Accepted a donation for teacher appreciation.
- Update on curriculum grants.

V. Reports:

a) Teacher Grants

Photography–Cameras, Science-3D models, Visual Arts-Cricket, Math– graphing calculators for student use in classroom.

b) Adopt a Teacher – Huge Success!

- 220 staff and teachers
- One parent adopted 16!! Signup genius filled quickly!

c) NHS – Had four presentations and went very well.

Next Meeting: January 14, 2021

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