



GLENBROOK
NORTH
PARENTS'
ASSOCIATION

Glenbrook North Parents' Association

Meeting Minutes May 27, 2020

*Present: Dr. John Finan, Jason Markey, Betsy Sharpe, Jane Ciancanelli, Stacy Seiden, Susie D'Orazi, Joanne Mock, Joy Axelson, Maria Fox, Noah Foster, Kristin Ihrke and others.

- I. Call to Order / Welcome
 - a. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Betsy Sharpe.

- II. School Report
 - a. Dr. Finan announced new staff members.
 - b. Spartan Movie Night - Tuesday, May 26th. Join us on Netflix Party for Ferris Bueller at 8 P.M.!
 - c. Awards Assembly - A link is being sent out on Wednesday to enjoy this annual senior assembly. The assembly will be aired on Friday, May 29th at 7:00 P.M. Join us as we honor this special class.
 - d. Couchella - Sunday, May 31st (6:30-7:30) is our special evening for seniors! The code to join will be released on Friday and again on Sunday. Prepare for an AWESOME hour of shoutouts, trivia, and some cool surprises.
 - e. Spartan Slushies - June 1-4 Kona Ice will be coming around to all of the neighborhoods of Northbrook. Check your email tomorrow for sign-up to place your order.
 - f. End of school year student pickup and return of materials (6/1-6/20)
 - g. Some details have changed as we will not have students entering the building. You will receive a follow-up message with details on Tuesday evening. Please sign up for a day/time to come to campus.
 - h. June 13 Graduation event.
 - i. Dr. Finan introduced new principal Jason Markey.

- III. Guest Speaker
 - a. Jason Markey will be taking over as principal at the end of June.
 - b. Mr. Markey was a social studies teacher, prior to moving into administration. He then worked as an assistant dean, and an assistant principal.
 - c. He has coached baseball and basketball, as well as sponsoring numerous clubs.

- d. During this transition period he has been meeting with various groups at GBN, working on what school will look like in the fall, and how to support the students in the best possible way.

IV. Business Meeting

- a. Chairperson – The slate of new officers that was presented at the April meeting was voted on. The nominations of Jane Ciancanelli, as Membership Chair and Greta Satek as Secretary passed.
 - i. Please contact Betsy Sharpe if you are interested in being on a committee.
 - ii. Thank you to outgoing chairs. Audra Casey is leaving after 5 years as Membership Chair and Kristin Ihrke is leaving after 2 years as Secretary.
 - iii. Thank you note was sent out to all retiring GBN staff. Dr. Finan will hand these out to retiring staff.
 - iv. Dr. Finan is retiring from his principal position. He has been principal for 5 years. A thank you note from the P.A. was shown to the meeting.
- b. Membership- Member funds were used to pay for teacher appreciation gift. Membership will stay the same as last year. There is a link to pay on the PA website. Thank you to Audra for all that she has done.
- c. Communications – Recordings of virtual PA meetings will be available upon request.
- d. Secretary – February and April minutes were approved.
- e. Treasurer – In good shape financially. There will be an audit this summer.

V. P.A. Committees

- a. Distinguished Teacher –A recipient has been chosen and will be announced at the awards ceremony.
- b. Spartan Spirit – A recipient has been chosen and will be announced at awards ceremony.
- c. Paul Pryma Award – A recipient has been chosen and will be announced at awards ceremony.
- d. Grad Night – Grad card sales were great. Each senior received a Mophie charger along with the gift of a blanket. These items will be delivered to the graduates. Thank you for all the support.
- e. Staff Appreciation – Teachers received a coupon to Tropical Smoothie. New chairs were purchased for the Math Enrichment Center as the PA gift this year.
- f. Nominating Committee – Slate was voted on and approved.

VI. GBN Standing Committees

- a. All School Workshops – No Report.
- b. Curriculum – No Report.
- c. Safety – Pandemic was added to preparedness plan. Considerations for re-entry were discussed. Emergency kits in the classrooms are moving forward. Active assailant training has been postponed. Text-a-Tip and anonymous concern line volume have stayed the same. Please note that school and grounds are closed.
- d. Glenbrook Foundation – No Report.
- e. Global Awareness – No Report.
- f. Members at Large - No Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Ihrke

Recording Secretary

Next meeting August 26, 2020

*Please note it was difficult to ascertain those who were "present" at this meeting because the meeting was conducted virtually.