



**GLENBROOK
NORTH**
**PARENTS'
ASSOCIATION**

Glenbrook North Parents' Association

Meeting Minutes April 3, 2019

Present: Dr. John Finan, Dr. Charles Johns, Greta Satek, Carol Currie, Stacy Seiden, Joanne Mock, Betsy Sharpe, Jane Ciancanelli, Okhee Choi, Julie Kim, Erin Cooper, Shital Pandit, Sunitha Bellam, Audra Casey, Susan Schueler, Deborah Phadnis and Margaret Grouzard

- I. The meeting opened with an informal reception for Dr. Charles Johns, incoming Superintendent of District 225. Dr. Johns met and spoke with Parents' Association members from 7:00 – 7:30 P.M.
- II. Dr. Johns was officially introduced by Dr. John Finan at 7:30 P.M. and Dr. Johns said a few words.
 - a. He spent the day at GBN today and will be at GBS all day tomorrow. He visited 6 or 7 classes at GBN today. He was impressed by our articulate students and the GBN culture. Dr. Johns noted that GBN students have high expectations but they have lots of support and good guidance from GBN teachers and staff.
 - b. He has spent 20 years in schools. He has a gratitude for teachers. He also sees how athletics, the arts, and other activities help create well-rounded students.
- III. School Report – Dr. John Finan
 - a. On Monday 4/8/19, there will be a Band Parent Organization meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the Spartan Conference Room
 - b. Also on Monday, there will be a Sophomore Standardized Testing Prep. Presentation at 7:00 P.M. in the CPA
 - c. On Tuesday, 4/9/19, there will be no school for seniors. SAT testing will take place as follows:
 - i. Freshmen at 7:30 A.M. in the back competition gym
 - ii. Sophomores at 7:30 A.M. in the fieldhouse
 - iii. Juniors at 7:30 A.M. in assigned classrooms
 - d. Also on Tuesday, the Glenbrook Symphony Orchestra will have their banquet at 6:30 P.M. at Chevy Chase Country Club
 - e. On Wednesday 4/10/19, there will be a Booster Club meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the Spartan Conference Room

- f. On Thursday 4/11/19, sophomores will be able to order class rings from 10:45 until 1:15 and from 5:00 until 7:00 P.M.
 - g. Also on Thursday, there will be a CLS Art Exhibit starting at 5:30 P.M. at the Highland Park Art Center
 - h. The Glenbrook College Fair will be from 6:30 until 8:30 P.M. at the GBN Fieldhouse on Thursday, 4/11/19.
 - i. On Friday, 4/12/19, there will be a Radiothon from 2:00 P.M. until midnight to benefit Cancer Research. John will put a link in his weekly update.
 - j. On Monday, 4/15/19, there will be a Grad Night meeting. John will be in attendance. The meeting will be at 7:30 P.M. in the Green and Gold Conference Room at GBN.
 - k. Also on Monday, 4/15/19, the Symphonic Wind Ensemble will have a concert beginning at 7:30 P.M. in the CPA
 - l. On Wednesday, 4/17/19, the Student Activities Executive Board Elections will take place at GBN
 - m. On Thursday, 4/18/19, the Pride Assembly will take place in the GBN main gym at 1:55 P.M.
 - n. On Friday, 4/19/19 school will be closed for Good Friday.
 - o. The spring Children's Play, *Winnie the Pooh*, will run from Thursday, 4/25/19 through Saturday 4/27/19. The show will be at 7:00 on Thursday and Friday and at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday.
 - p. Wednesday, May 1, will be college day at GBN. Students often wear shirts representing the colleges they have selected or those of their siblings.
 - q. The spring musical, *Mamma Mia!*, will begin on 5/1 and run through 5/4 at 7:00 P.M. each night. The show is at GBS this year. The Glenbrook Foundation dinner will be on Saturday night before the show.
 - r. The next Parents' Association meeting will be on May 1st in the Spartan Conference Room at GBN.
- IV. Membership - no report
 - V. Communications - Carol has placed the ad for the Torch final issue and Betsy Sharpe has sent the payment
 - VI. Secretary - March 2019 minutes were distributed via email and are posted at www.gbnpa.org. Carol Currie moved that the March minutes be approved. Greta Satek seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all approved.
 - VII. Treasurer - Betsy Sharpe reported that a \$250 donation was made to the Glenbrook Foundation and \$240 has been paid for the Torch ad. The balance is \$50,844.93 currently.
 - VIII. Nominating Committee presented the proposed slate as follows:
 - a. Chairman - Betsy Sharpe
 - b. Membership - Audra Casey and Jane Ciancanelli
 - c. Communication - Stacy Seiden
 - d. Secretary - Kristin Ihrke
 - e. Treasurer - Susie D'Orazi
 - f. Margaret Grouzard moved to approve the slate, Joanne Mock seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all approved.

- IX. Distinguished Teacher Award – Susan reported that they are getting volunteers to come in and read. The meeting will be on 5/8/19 to determine the winner.
 - a. There are 36 nominations and 31 candidates
- X. Spartan Spirit Award – Carol reported that Laura Callahan and Ann Nugent have been working with Dr. Tarjan’s office and things are moving along.
- XI. Paul Pryma Award – no report
- XII. Grad Night – Carol Currie encouraged people to sign up to help decorate by visiting www.gbngradnight.com
- XIII. Staff Appreciation – Margaret Grouzard reported that Wednesday, May 8th, will be the next staff appreciation day. It will be the dessert / sunday bar as we have done in the past.
 - a. We will need to get servers for the two shifts of 10:30 – noon and noon – 1:30 for that day
 - b. We will need to ask people to bake and bring desserts
 - c. There was discussion about moving the pizza dinner to the fall since there is no second semester parent night in the classroom any longer.
- XIV. All-School Workshop – Spartans Connect was a huge success but 726 students were called out and that could impact the viability of continuing to have this event in the future.
- XV. Curriculum – The committee did not meet in March.
- XVI. Dean’s Advisory – Deborah Phadnis reported on the meeting
- XVII. Glenbrook Foundation – Please attend the foundation dinner – tickets are still available
- XVIII. Members at Large – no reports

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Currie for Kristin Ihrke
Recording Secretary
Next meeting May 1, 2019