



GLENBROOK
NORTH
PARENTS'
ASSOCIATION

Glenbrook North Parents' Association

Meeting Minutes February 19, 2020

Present: Dr. John Finan, Chad Davidson, Joli Fridman, Betsy Sharpe, Jane Ciancanelli, Stacy Seiden, Susan Schueler, Shutal Pandit, Nancy Artz, Sunitha Bellam, Alar Sambardam, Erin Cooper, Stacy Witzel, Charlotte Stern, Carol Schmidt, Jamie Feld, Michelle Seguin and Kristin Ihrke.

I. Call to Order / Welcome

- a. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Betsy Sharpe.

II. Guest Speakers

- a. Joli Fridman, a parent working with the Global Citizens Club at GBN.
 - i. A slide presentation of the Fridmans' trip to Kenya last summer was presented. Students from GBN donated their chrome books. The school in Kenya was able to set up a computer lab with the computers.
 - ii. The Global Citizens Club at GBN sponsors a high school student from Kenya each year, so that they may attend a boarding school.
 - iii. The Global Citizens Club meets each Thursday at 7:15am. Mr. Grimaldi is the sponsor.
- b. Chad Davidson, Instructional Supervisor of Fine Arts, took the group on a tour of the Fine Arts spaces of GBN.
 - i. The radio and television studio were first. Both are compliant with the FCC. The radio station is shared with GBS, it can be found at 88.5 WJBK.
 - ii. The Photography Lab was next. Students are taught both film and digital photography. They have the ability to develop film in the room.
 - iii. Ceramic studio was next. There are 3 kilns and potting wheels.
 - iv. The Band and Orchestra rooms were designed to mimic the CPA stage. The rooms can also be used for other types of classes.
 - v. The Digital Music Room is for AP music theory, learning to DJ, editing music, production and technology.
 - vi. The area behind the CPA is a scene garage where students can learn to make scenery and how to do the lighting and sound for shows.

III. School Report

- a. Dr. Finan reported the following upcoming dates:
 - i. February 24-28 Food Drive.
 - ii. February 25-28 Musical Auditions, Winter Band Chamber Ensemble Concert - 7:30 p.m.
 - iii. February 29 Finding the Fit College Colloquium for Junior Families - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Glenbrook South.
 - iv. Turnabout Dance - 8:30 - 11:00 p.m. - GBN Competition Gym.
 - v. March 2 March Institute Day - **NO SCHOOL for students.**
 - vi. March 3 Choir Theater Patrons Organization Meeting - 6:00 p.m. in the Green and Gold CR.
 - vii. March 5 Winter Sports Awards Night - 6:30 p.m. in the CPA.
 - viii. March 6 The Annual TLS Basketball Game vs. GBS - during lunches 2 and 3 in the Main Gym.
 - ix. March 8 IHSAE Art Exhibition - 12:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the Zhou B Art Center in Chicago and the Glenbrook Festival of Music - 3:00 p.m. at the Glenbrook South Watson Auditorium.
 - x. March 9 BPO meeting 7p.m. SCR.
 - xi. March 10 Winter Jazz Band Concert 7:30p.m.
 - xii. March 12 Booster Club Meeting 7p.m. Green and Gold.
 - xiii. March 14 Booster Club Bash.
 - xiv. March 16 BOE and Grad night meeting.
 - xv. March 17 Speech Banquet 6:30 p.m. GBN Café.
 - xvi. March 18 GSO Concert and PA meeting.

IV. Business Meeting

- a. Chairperson -
 - i. A group of PA Executive Board members attended the 8th grade activity fair. A new member signed up. Jane Ciancanelli created a flyer explaining how to sign up for the PA, which can be used again over the summer.
 - ii. Principal search will be narrowed to 6 by this Sunday night. Interviews by PA members, students, teachers and district staff will be conducted Monday and Tuesday. If you are interested, please submit questions to Betsy Sharpe.
 - iii. Surveys from World Language have been emailed. Please fill out.
 - iv. Looking for members to work on the Nominating committee. Please email Betsy.
 - v. Looking for a gift idea for the school. Have contacted Dr. Finan.
- b. Membership- No Report.
- c. Communications - The Distinguished Teacher award sign has been installed. The graduation ad for the Torch and the Yearbook ad are complete.
- d. Secretary - A quorum was present. The January minutes were approved.
- e. Treasurer - No Report.

V. P.A. Committees

- a. Distinguished Teacher – Met with Jodi Panzer. First announcement has gone out to students. Reading of submissions will begin in April.
- b. Spartan Spirit – No Report.
- c. Paul Pryma Award – No Report.
- d. Grad Night –Please consider donating to Grad Night. Fundraiser on March 11 4-8 p.m at Chiptole in Glenview. Please come to the meeting March 16th.
- e. Staff Appreciation – Staff appreciation is May 15th. Planning has started.

VI. GBN Standing Committees

- a. All School Workshops – If you are interested in shaping this event, please contact Betsy Sharpe. A student survey of topic choices revealed the top three desired topics were all related to dealing with stress and anxiety.
- b. Curriculum – Please let Betsy know if you are interested.
- c. Safety –
 - i. Finished with Phase 1 of locks project.
 - ii. Mobile app interface is still being reviewed. Would speed up communication time with both parents and students.
 - iii. Joel Ryes is working on Emergency Operations Plan, which has been reviewed by the staff and now is with the NB and Glenview PD and FDs.
 - iv. Active assailant training is moving forward. All staff should be trained by the end of next year.
 - v. The anonymous concern line tips are often too vague to follow up.
- d. Glenbrook Foundation – Gearing up for the May 2nd fundraising event. Dinner at school and then attending the musical. They asked PA to purchase an ad for the booklet.
- e. Global Awareness – International education night has been cancelled. Also, the Panama trip has been cancelled due to low interest.
- f. Members at Large
 - i. District 28 meetings have concluded.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Ihrke
Recording Secretary
Next meeting March 18, 2020