

**Coronado High School PTO**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**January 19, 2021 9am Virtual Zoom Meeting**

***“Every child every day will have a challenge, a connection and a champion!”***

Call to Order – Jennifer Shoemaker, PTO President

- Meeting commenced at 9:02am

Welcome:

- Jennifer Shoemaker, President
- Sarah Roughneen – Treasurer
- Anita Lorr – Secretary
- Shane Schmeichel – CHS Principal
- Catherine Burling – CHS Assistant Principal
- Timothy Hopper – CHS Assistant Principal
- School Board Members Whitney Antrim and Dr. Helen Anderson-Cruz
- Plus 20 members/guests in attendance

Treasurer’s Report – Sarah Roughneen

- December is generally a slow month for Treasurer duties.
- PTO has hit its revenue targets and is free to spend the money that was allotted in the budget.
- In December we paid one grant. Approved in prior year for Special Education Garden requested by Special Ed teacher Kate Quinly. Even though the grant was approved last year, the funds had not previously been disbursed due to the COVID shutdown last spring.
- December bank accounts have been reconciled. Form 990 tax filing for nonprofits done.

President’s Report – Jennifer Shoemaker

- Happy new year and happy end of first semester – take time to pause and celebrate successes. These are historic times. Document, journal, and photograph - capture your family life. Hit refresh. Congratulate your students and thank their teachers!
- One Islander Grants – approved applications from English, Math, Foreign Language, and ROTC departments. Last year One Islander Grants included funding for CoSA arts, History, and Special Ed garden. Breadth of different kinds of students that benefit from PTO grants. Wonderful use of PTO membership dollars thanks to member donations. Hoping to present good news story to CUSD School Board.
- January hospitality hiatus. Looking for parent volunteers to coordinate February hospitality, which will be two-fold. Looking for one volunteer to coordinate a signup genius to collect school supplies for teachers. Also, looking for 1-2 volunteers to coordinate a welcome back to campus event for students, which may include some music, some banners, etc.
- Senior Parent volunteers – need volunteers to handle seniors only activities: coordinating senior banner orders and celebratory social events during their final year of high school.

- Update slide from Ella Worthy, ASB Publicity Commissioner – revised homecoming week plans. Hoco will be a revised spirit week Feb 15-19 with some great ideas, working closely with administration to get plans approved. Potential Friday Feb 19<sup>th</sup> Hoco car parade. Follow ASB on Instagram for updates.

#### Special Guest Joellen Semo – CUSD District Nurse

- Dealing with ever changing guidelines. CUSD has adapted well. Most consistent message that has not changed is the protocols: six feet of distance and wearing masks.
- Excited for students returning to campus. Students must understand that to remain in school they must follow social distancing protocols. Gaiters seem to be popular among students, but because gaiters are very thin, masks are preferred.
- CUSD was selected for a pilot study – voluntary on-site rapid antigen testing. Last Thursday, the district tested almost 200 staff. Intention is to eventually offer to students also.
- COVID response team is comprised of staff from every school site. When the team is notified that a staff/student is COVID positive, the team immediately begins contact tracing. When were they last on campus? Who was near them? Were they within six feet for 15 minutes or longer? Classroom seating charts will be considered. Goal is to reduce the possibility of spread and to keep everyone safe.
- Will there be a policy restricting gaiters? Policy is not yet implemented, but highly recommended to wear masks instead of gaiters. Try to transition your students away from gaiters before they return to school. Goal is to keep everyone safe, and a gaiter provide less assurance of safety because of its thinness.
- CUSD requests that you call the school if your student or family member is COVID positive, even though your student is not yet in school.

#### **Community Partners**

##### Mindy Hayes, School Liaison Officer

- Here to support military families. Contact your school's military family life counselor (MFLC) Kendra Miller 858-275-9428 for assistance.
- Kendra's services are confidential. She is integrated with the school staff but is not part of it. She will not share information with CHS staff or with military command. 100% confidentiality guarantee.
- Post-GI bill presentation zoom on Feb 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.
- Coronado South Bay Military Spouses virtual meet-up on Feb 10<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Will you be my valentine - showing love to our partners and ourselves. Will include information on self-care activities, breathing exercises, and stretching. Open to civilian families also.

##### Tara Davies, Teen Librarian - Coronado Public Library

- Library is currently open to the public. Limited 20% capacity. Wear masks of course.
- Winter reading challenge. Earn rewards like subway meals and gift card raffles.
- Coronado Community Read. Stamped from the Beginning by Ibram X. Kendi.

- Check out the library website calendar of events at [Cplevents.org](http://Cplevents.org)
- SAT prep course Tuesday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### Jeanmarie Bond, CEO - Coronado Schools Foundation

- Have you been stung? Part of Hive 365. Our hive of bees land in your front yard, and we request a donation for our beekeepers to remove the hive from your yard. Then the fun part is that you pick who gets stung next!
- CSF Locals card app for \$100 or more donation to CSF ([csfkids.org/give](http://csfkids.org/give))
- Mark your calendars for Virtual Telethon Wed March 24<sup>th</sup> 5-9pm. CHS hour is 8-9pm. Telethon will showcase a district-wide Lego-building challenge (build Legos based on set criteria).
- Golf cart opportunity drawing. This year we have a 2021 Icon 6-passenger lifted golf cart with Bluetooth sound system valued at \$14k. Thanks to San Diego Golf Carts and Willis Allen for their business sponsorship. Raffle winner will be announced at Telethon.

#### Gia Del George, Director of Programs - Coronado SAFE

- Offering virtual coffee talks monthly. Next Mon Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Coffee Talk will cover Parenting the Positive Discipline Way.
- Four-week parenting workshop – dive deeper into Parenting the Positive Discipline Way
- Offering hybrid counseling services. Online counseling available and SAFE can provide counseling in-house using sanitation protocols and rooms offering 6 feet of distancing.
- Ongoing Aloha Club - new families receive welcome gift basket and get matched with existing Coronado families.
- Website is [Coronadosafe.org](http://Coronadosafe.org)

#### Principal's Report – Shane Schmeichel

- Future of CHS – 2021-22 school year transition to 4x4 bell schedule
- CHS is currently a 6-period bell schedule. Some students take 7 classes (E-6 period). Some seniors take only 5 classes (periods 1-5). Most take the standard 1-6 periods.
- With the new bell schedule, students will be able to select 6-8 classes (3-4 classes per semester). Average student will have 7 different classes in any given school year. Minimum requirement of 6 classes per year.
- In the next few weeks, CHS will provide a series of videos to the community to detail the new bell schedule and will offer information on how to select courses.
- Officially students will select courses for next year beginning Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>. Students will meet with counselors beginning early March to discuss their intended schedule. Drop dead date to choose courses will be in June.
- Videos will assist families in determining schedules utilizing tools like homework calculators for different types of courses. Families must consider work life balance, depending on their students' extracurriculars including sports, clubs, work, etc.
- For athletes, there is the potential to take one period off during your sport season, first period at the beginning of the day or fourth period at the end of the day.

- 4x4 schedule will mean that each subject's pace will move faster and the amount of homework will increase. Each subject will be a 90-min daily block period.
- Reopening plan
- CHS is still on target to reopen to hybrid learning on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mondays will always be full bridge.
- To access the most up-to-date reopening plan details, go to the school website: [Coronadousd.net](http://Coronadousd.net) / choose dropdown About / COVID-19 information / CHS On-Campus Reopening Plan
- If CHS must delay its start date, it will be announced in the weekly newsletter.
- Questions in chat?
- Guidance is significantly different for elementary, middle, and high school campuses. CUSD Superintendent newsletter is very general because it encompasses multiple school campuses.
- What will Graduation look like this year? Will depend on guidance at that time, how many in our community have been vaccinated, etc. Last year, CHS spent a considerable amount of time planning a socially distanced graduation, which the County cease-and-desist order canceled (eventually resulting in a drive-through graduation). But the model is in place for this year if the guidance allows.
- What will CHS Lunch under hybrid learning look like? Cafeteria food must be ordered ahead of time and will be provided as a bag lunch. There will be no lunch line, no food options available for purchase. All must be pre-ordered. Lunch will be open campus for ALL students, not just seniors, under hybrid learning.
- There will be two Parent Forums in February covering the new 4x4 bell schedule. One forum for rising freshmen parents and another forum for everyone else.
- The 4x4 bell schedule allows students to develop a more personalized high school plan. Also allows flexibility to make changes along the way.
- What will the rule be regarding masks in the Quad? Students and staff can take a mask break outdoors in the quad. However, the rule is six feet of distance if someone needs a mask break.
- Unfortunately, the school cannot enforce what happens with wearing masks once students step off-campus. Messaging is to maintain social distance protocols to provide maximum safety for all, whether on campus or off.
- There will be staggered bells for morning breaks and staggered bells for end of school day also. To minimize crowded hallways and walkways. One-way hallways inside buildings.

#### New Business

- Next PTO meeting is Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 9am.
- Raffle winner this month is Christina Slentz! Please pickup your prize later this morning at the front desk in the CHS main office. Erin Rowan will be expecting you.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 am.