

Payne HSC General Meeting

Wednesday May 18, 6pm

[Link to meeting slides](#)

Walkathon:

- Aim was to raise \$21,000 through pledges. Received about \$25,000 so far, plus some corporate matching to come. Also received \$4,000 from sponsors. Will have raised about \$25,000 after costs.

Spring Fling:

- Silent auction didn't have a goal but we raised \$1,200.
- Ice cream bar sales are ongoing - money going toward the 5th grade science camp for 2022/23. Goal is to raise about \$1,000 - we're currently at about \$500 from Spring Fling and last Friday's ice bar sales. Three more Fridays sales to come.
 - Location of ice cream bar sales is just outside the office.

Yearbook:

- Still available for purchase. Design is being finalized. If you don't order in time for school delivery, they will be delivered to your home.
 - Note: Can't see a preview of the pre-designed yearbook pages before ordering

2022/23 H&SC board:

- Julia Rogers is stepping down as vice president and Jessica Bladen will take over
- **Vote:** Members of 2022/23 H&SC board
 - Result: Approved

Getting involved in other ways:

- Please consider leading a specific committee or volunteering for a specific event in the next school year. Examples: Yearbook, walk'n'roll, walk-a-thon, spirit wear sales, Spring Fling.
- We had lots of participation in the events this year, but low numbers of volunteers - the school will have a goal next year to increase volunteerism

2021/22 budget update:

- During this year we found some funds were unused due to pandemic impacts and changing priorities, so they were reallocated toward assisting each grade with field trips (an extra \$630 for each grade to use for field trips). The executive board approved this reallocation, but we now need a general meeting vote.
- **Vote:** While the executive board approved this reallocation of funds, we need a general meeting vote too.
 - Result: Approved

2022/23 budget proposal:

- Increase grade-level funds by 10% to account for higher gas prices for field trips and other experiences
- Increase teacher classroom reimbursement
- Reserve additional funds (\$1,500) for a bookkeeper to help manage H&SC funds
 - Struggled to find a volunteer co-treasurer
- Changes to income for next year:

- Removing Scrips program
- Removing yearbook as it doesn't generate income
- Aligned income with the 2021/22 school year, so we expect about \$79,000 in 2022/23
- **Vote:** Budget proposal for 2022/23
 - Result: Approved

Principal's report

- On behalf of Payne staff, thank you for Staff Appreciation Week
- Payne is hosting a district summer school next year
- Potential soccer field - an "urban pitch" field that is placed on top of our current field
 - Partnership with South Bay Soccer, who will use it after-hours, while we can use it during school hours
- Adding water filling stations - one on primary side, one on upper grade side
- Need to improve lighting for after-dark safety & security on site, so looking into this for next year
- SBAC testing happening right now
 - Tests are shorter this year
 - Hoping to finish the majority of testing this week
 - Next week will be make-ups for those kids who were absent
- COVID surge at the moment - not as bad as the start of the year, but more cases and exposure notices at school, reflecting surge in the region
- Open House coming up on May 25 from 6-7 p.m.
 - Asking parents to visit only their own child's classroom this year - due to COVID surge and also because parents have not had many opportunities to see their child's classroom this year or chat with their teachers
 - Masks strongly recommended indoors
 - Book Fair will be open during Open House - volunteers still needed
- **Vote:** Funding needed for outdoor reading/chess space in front of library (up to \$15,000 from H&SC savings)
 - Result: Approved