

## **Virtual PTA Meeting June 25, 2020 5:30PM**

Becky Burgoon PTA Co-President- Welcome and Agenda for meeting

### **Treasurers Report- Kadir Karaby**

\$6,944 income over expense net for this past year.

Proposed budget of \$45,000 for next year, amid NYC DOE budget cuts. Hoping to still raise money.

Budget approved. No objections

### **Principal's Report**

Alicia was a school today and conducted a building walk through with other staff members. Trying to figure out what re opening will look like and will discuss this later in meeting.

All final grades should now be on pupil path.

RE: CR grade. We sent a form if you want to change numerical grade to CR. Priority is for Seniors right now. Need to download their grades to Naviance to submit to colleges by July 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be processing all other grade CR requests over the summer, but you have until November to decide. -if you would like to speak to an advisor about this to see if this makes sense for you child you can do so in the Fall. CR does not impact GPA.

Teachers were working round the clock to get kids to make sure they finished their work. Not many students got incomplete grades, which we wanted to avoid students having to do work over the summer.

To see final grade, go to Pupil Path – go to report card section. Term 2 – MP1 is the final grade. As of today, there were no grades for Art and APUSH and Sociology, but they were entered today and should be online tomorrow. It is not too late to change a grade. You can Email Ms. Perez Katz or Mr. Keijzer, and they can update if it hasn't been done yet.

Form to change grade to CR will be made available online.

We had information sessions for grades about moving up. Students got to hear about what they will study next year and meet the teachers. Still a lot of unknowns for the Fall and we thought letting them know what courses are offered was important. Importance of continuity, connection and what courses can help them especially if it is an online model. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade can be viewed online. Sending out 9<sup>th</sup> grade course information tonight as it was not recorded.

Summer assignment- For the first time there will be a school wide summer assignment so there will be something common to talk about across all grades. The topic is: The Power of Education. Students will have a choice of books, short stories, fiction and/or nonfiction.

Assignment will be posted on google classroom page and on our website. All AP courses will have an additional summer assignment to get a head start on the work for the AP exam which is in given May.

Families – want AP and want options. Baruch is no longer an AP for All model. Students will have choice. Students must request an AP class on a Google form. Deadline for rising seniors next Tues. Deadline for rising 11<sup>th</sup> grade is this Friday.

AP Statistics for Juniors – new class this year. 12<sup>th</sup> grade – can take AP Statistics and AP Calculus.

Elective courses: some classes cannot work online. As of now we believe school will be a mix of online and in person. Will now have a Study Skills class online- to help students to be successful, it will be for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades. 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades will have a college prep course. Seniors will take it in Fall, Juniors will take in Spring.

Spanish 4 Ms. Nardacci had info session today that will be posted online. AP Spanish option, after Spanish 4 for rising 12<sup>th</sup> graders.

### **QUESTIONS:**

We will be communicating information about the Fall as it becomes known from the DOE.

We do not know when the DOE calendar will come out.

We don't have our budget yet but are expecting a 3% cut. We were told there can only 250 people in building at a time. 540 people total in community (including teachers and staff) so we can only have less than half in the building. Cannot have more than 8 students in a room. There are few classrooms that would be able to have more. Why are we bringing kids to school: Importance of community and relationships is so important for the students. Remote learning benefits from relationships.

Looking into having more actual online time in the fall.

ICT will have 2 teachers online, but not in person.

Spanish 4 will be taught for 2 semesters.

Science Lab time – still not sure how that will work.

Community service requirement under review.

Not sure about out lunch or having kids eat in class. Possibly have school in am and then have kids go home for lunch. Still trying to figure logistics of everything.

Would presume temperatures will be taken for anyone entering building.

Parents do not get a Baruch email, please sign up to receive emails through the PTA section on the website.

There are 2 seats on PTA Executive Board for new parents to the school. Will hold Exec board elections in the fall. Please email the PTA if you are interested.

Please donate to Direct Drive as next year's budget will be challenging due to budget cuts.

If you would like help with fundraising or have any ideas, please email the PTA. We will most likely have another meeting over the summer to communicate what is happening for school next once things become more definite.