

Miami Palmetto Senior High School PTSA
Last General Meeting and Elections
May 13, 2021
Minutes

- I. Call to Order & Welcome 7:05
- II. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting no objection or corrections so minutes are approved
- III. Principal- Ms. Dobbs
- a. Graduation & Senior Activities- in person June 9 at 9:30am.
 - b. Construction/Move in- another meeting today, cafeteria is so close to being ready! We will finish the year with the old cafeteria. Black box theater should be ready for school opening. Demo of basketball courts, fencing, all final details coming together. Hopeful that auditorium will be ready.
 - c. Updates on Summer learning opportunities & 2021-22 School Year- summer 305. If you need to make up a credit, this is the only way to sign up for summer school. Connect ed and email sent out. When you register for a class, you need to show up, especially for credit recovery. Classes will be held at Killian. Monday call will be directed to students who need credit recovery, PTSA please share.
 - d. Role of parents and volunteers next year- if we are all back at normal capacity, we should be able to have parent volunteers back at school. We will know more as the next school year approaches.
 - e. Block Scheduling- we have started creating schedules and seeing how many sections of classes we need for next year. July-we start seeing how it looks, we are on block schedule again next year. We will be looking at FLVS 1/6 period to see what works best for students and families. Learning differences will be handled better next year, all students need to be on campus, no virtual option from our school. Teachers had a good year of getting a feel for block schedule, they voted to continue. Possibly back to 2 lunches, longer break.
 - f. Superintendent visited our school because we had ASPEN CHALLENGE WINNERS! Nice presentation, kids won MacBook computers, check for the school. Congrats to Dr. Schlactman and Dr. Edelman. Working on advancing sustainability and environmental efforts.
 - g. Girls tennis regional champs, 2nd in states!! Wonderful season.
 - h. Girls Softball beat Coral Reef; last regional game is tomorrow.
 - i. Football scrimmage on Saturday first spring game is next Thursday.
 - j. Announcement tomorrow for the seniors reminding re cap and gown pickup 5/21. On campus gets during lunch, MSO gets after school 2:30-5. Cleared students who did not purchase can pick up a form to purchase their cap and gown. If you are not sure re graduation status, please contact your counselor!! Parents can pick up MSO after school. Tickets- do not lose your ticket!!! They cannot be reissued. Honor cords will be picked up from sponsors- please check email. Magnet stoles- go through Corradino and Hayduk. Varsity athletes- contact coach, then contact Batten. Top 5 or 10% wait until after Senior awards- guidance dept. will give those cords and stoles.
 - k. CDC updates- no changes yet, putting together activities and plans for yearbook pickup for seniors, tentative June 1 yearbook pickup. Will allow for some yearbook signing if possible.
 - l. We are not a uniform school. should be brought up during EESAC.
- IV. CAP- Mr. Nerenberg with College/Advising Updates- **Farewell Mr. Nerenberg WE WILL MISS YOU!** Linda Dwyer- incoming CAP. Remind seniors that they click enroll on SCOIR so we can send transcripts, send them out in the end of June. Bright futures, can keep testing until December to try to hit the score. Secret Sauce is 6/7, Nerenberg working on it. 5/20 Miami

Dade college open zoom for enrolled students. Transcript requests though MPSH request is not the final transcript, please click enroll on SCOIR. Nerenberg here for over 39 years, thankful for PTSA and how we treat counselors. Appreciative!! Common app prompts are out, so start writing essays!

V. Activities Updates- Ms. Valero- **Congrats on your new addition!** New baby boy yay! Grad is June 9. They are still figuring out exactly what graduation will look like. There will be only 2 tickets per family. Preregistration info will be sent out to fill out online, RSVP for grad, who the guests are, phone number name and guests, all for contract tracing. If you don't preregister, you can't enter. Everyone in car must have ticket. No babies on lap without a ticket. Cannot hand out extra tickets. Two tickets. Only. Ceremonies will be great. Working on graduation so did not take maternity leave. Students will have a graduation rehearsal 6/2, physical students will physically walk and will stream on zoom so MSO can watch. 6/21 cap and gown distribution will also receive list of what they need for graduation. Senior awards 5/25, invites tomorrow or Monday, sent via email to their school dadeschools address, will live stream on YouTube. Anyone can watch. Underclass who received an award, certificates are available the same day the senior certificates, so just hang tight...probably May 27 pick up. Advocacy pamphlet regarding services for students in need or crisis, working with a student who is coordinating the template and will be sending it out with opening of schools materials, will also be released digitally. Official return is when summer begins, so will be working all summer. Activities for next year, grad bash is booked for next year, we are still waiting because we don't know! Placing holds for activities but not paying for them, hopeful. Holds for homecoming as well. Not sure what clearance we will get for after school club meetings, might be size dependent. Very eager group of students who are ready to start school spirit- have already started homecoming theme. Student Council Senate applications are due May 15- great way to get students involved, interviews via zoom over the summer. No student volunteers at graduation this year.

VI. President's Report

- a. Field Updates- How can you help? MDCPS matching up to 250K grant. Jenn Gould, Katie Abbott, Louisa Santos and school and district reps. Some students are working on getting a grant from the NFL. Looking at raising funds through alumni. Need to create a committee, please let Gina and Jenn know if you are interested in helping.
- b. THANK YOU TO ALL who have helped make this year a success!
- c. Wow thank you baseball player Brody Seed for rescuing an injured driver!!
- d. PTSA nominated for several awards!!!!
- e. Follow Facebook and Instagram for updates over the summer.

VII. Treasurer Report

- a. Budget please see attached. We did well this year, raising 49, 307.76. Audit is over the summer, we will use the accountant, takes place after June 30 when our books close.

VIII. Membership and Donations- MemberHub (Nicole)- Thank You to ALL who joined and donated this year! Sponsorship banners will be removed by May 20th.

IX. VP/Chair Reports & Any Upcoming Events

- a. 1st VP Updates- Fatima

- i. Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week- coffee bar, cookies and crepes. Great quotes from teachers and staff, teachers super happy.
- b. 2nd VP Educational Updates- Shannon- speaker with Psy Alpha society, more next year!
- c. Paw Fundraiser- Dana- special senior add ons, great way to celebrate seniors and welcome freshmen to the school.
- d. Special Projects- Dionne-
- e. School of Excellence- Francisca- survey is coming out next year, please fill them out by June 15. We would be the only high school in Miami with this recognition. Gives access to grants and awards.
- f. Public Relations & Marketing- Mona
 - i. Stay Close Go Far- including more schools, all accepted will be highlighted on social media as well as most selective showcased in a 4-page ad in several publications. Annual ad is ready! Accepted into over 220 different schools.

X. Legislative Updates- Dr. Nancy Lawther DETAILED INFO WILL BE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE IN OUR LEGISLATIVE & ADVOCACY CORNER. Please read and stay informed!

XI. Election of 2021-22 Executive Board

President Gina Vinueza

1st VP Lynn Goldenberg

2nd VP Shannon Del Prado

3rd VP Elyssa Lewis

Treasurer Maritza Shapiro

Recording Secretary Francisca Puga

Corresponding Secretary Fatima Chaiken

Thank you nominating committee and congrats board!!

Thank you to everyone who has served on the board!!

XII. Dates- SUBJECT TO CHANGE

May 20	Silver Knight Award Night	May 31	Memorial Day/No School
May 21	Senior Cap & Gown Distribution	June 9	Last Day of School
May 25	Senior Award Night (Virtual)	June 9	Graduation, 9:30 am

XIII. Adjournment **HAVE A WONDERFUL AND SAFE SUMMER!**