REPAC Meeting – Thursday, May 14, 2020 (Held via Zoom due to COVID-19)

1) Welcome and Introductions:

Karen Seifert – President Linda Walters – Current Vice President (Treasurer elect) Alicia Pepper – Secretary Jill Bosecker – Hospitality Chair Kim Bowers – Chair of Programs and Grants Committee Jeff Koweek – Durham Bulls Group Leader Mandy Summerson – Durham Bulls Coordinator, At Large Member (VP Elect)

2) Approve Minutes from March 12, 2020

- Karen had March 12 correction that Science Olympiad profit was \$410 vs. \$700. Mandy motioned for approval of minutes, Jill seconded
- Minutes approved

3) Recent REPAC Events (Kings Dominion cancellation, Senior Celebration gift cards)

- REPAC treasurer and Tim have been working to reimburse the fees already paid for the Kings Dominion Field Trip and parents were able to give the full, portion or none of the amount as fundraiser and we were able to raise \$3375! Thank-you to all who gave. We are likely going to be unable to have much (if any) Bulls fundraising this summer and this is huge help for 2020-2021 budgets
- The Senior celebration has been canceled and as REPAC Executive Board we decided to use some of the funds reserved for this. We gave each senior \$25 gift card to Pomodoro Italian Kitchen (who would have been catering the event if it had been held). The cards were given out when the seniors came to the school to pick up their honor cords and graduation items. Gift cards were given to 72 out of the 80 seniors the remaining 8 failed to respond to requests for updated addresses or pick up times.
- 4) Treasurer's Report
 - 43 of 50 Kings dominion reimbursements (for those requesting it) have been completed. Rest will be done this week. Thank-you again for the generous donations (see above).
 - The only other expenditure since the March meeting was the honor cord purchases
 - Just noting that we haven't been able to use a lot of the equipment and other budget funds due to the limitations of shipping things to the school/faculty due to COVID 19.
 - The budgeted amount we expected to have at the end of the year was \$4849 and right now if no further spending happens we'd have an end of year balance of \$20,911 without any Durham Bulls fundraising this summer.
 - Karen made a motion on the floor is to permit the Executive Board to spend the money in the current fiscal year budget to support the purchases already approved until the 2020-2021 fiscal year is approved. Jeff 2nd motion.
 - Motion is approved

5) Thank You to Senior Parents who served on REPAC Executive Committee

- Meredith Marley has been the volunteer coordinator for several years and is always willing to help out and jump into to all REPAC activities.
- Stephanie Austin our At Large Member who has chaired the Senior Dinner for two years and constantly helping with hospitality and all areas of REPAC.
- Thank-you to all our parents for their support and efforts to keep REPAC running and supporting our teachers and students.

6) REPAC 2020-2021 (set dues and elect officers)

- Officer Candidates for 2020-2021 school year:
 - President: Karen Seifert
 - VP: Mandy Summerson
 - Secretary: Alicia Pepper
 - Treasurer: Linda Walters
 - Jill Bosecker motioned to approve the slate, Jeff Koweek 2nd. Motion passes with 0 votes against
- Karen made a motion that the REPAC Membership Dues for the 2020-2021 REPAC academic year be once again set to \$0. Linda 2nd motion. Motion passes with 0 votes against.

Volunteer gaps: REPAC needs you!

- Science Olympiad 2021
- Webmaster/assistant 2020-2021
- Hospitality Committee Chair 2020-2021
- AT Large Member (prefer Freshman/Sophomore parent) 2020-2021

7) Upcoming REPAC Events (Durham Bulls, Welcome Back Picnic)

- Bulls: We are hopeful that the Bulls fundraising will be able to continue this summer, be on lookout for updates via email
- Picnic: We are unsure of the status of the Welcome Back Picnic and if we will still be able to hold it on Sunday, August 23 Welcome Freshman & Welcome back Picnic at Eno River. Stay tuned
 - Sabrina suggested if we are unable to have a picnic if there is some way to pair up old families reaching out to incoming freshman and family. Would need some logistics to figure out how/if this is possible.

8) Tim Town Hall

- Welcome everyone who was able to attend tonight.
- Thank-you to all parents who supported the PTA group fundraising efforts to issue \$25 Amazon card to every teacher and staff member in the building.
- The Engineering Program comprises 25% of the RHS student body. This portion of the school is often the high achievers of the school and get recognition. REPAC worked diligently to meet the May 4 senior pick up date of honor cords.
 - Tim went on to explain the testing series of the pre-ACT (sophomores), the ACT (juniors) and the Work Keys Test (seniors). Students are awarded a platinum, gold, bronze, silver rating on the Work Keys Tests.

- 40 of the 80 seniors this year received platinum (meaning they are ready for 99% of jobs in US workforce)
- 23 received gold (eligible for 93% of the jobs in workforce)
- (Silver dips to 65% of the jobs)
- Since the students missed the normal Work Keys ceremony that would have taken place in April at the school, we distributed the medals during the May 4 pick up.
- RHS is working on the Graduation Ceremony plan. You can find more information on the RHS website
 - Students are going to come through in 3 waves to assist with crowd control
 - Awards Day ceremony that would have been held during school hours normally is going to be held virtually
- Engineering seniors typically do a superlative that is shared on the Senior Celebration night. The students are completing the ballot online and this will still be completed.
- Virtual tours for underclassmen are happening with many local NC campuses
- 8 of the sophomores got selected for the NCSSM and 6 of the 8 have decided to attend, 2 staying.
- The 10 senior Disney trip has been canceled this year. This is a great senior trip that involves a 3 hour lab and all the engineering that takes place in the parks.
- Lottery is complete! Full 140 into the program. REPAC will be looking at arranging an order online of spirit wear for those who were unable to attend registration in person. Over 400 applications for the 140 seats!
- 3rd straight year that PLTW selected us as Distinguished school! This distinction not only reflects on the students and their successes but also the staff and teachers, including the diversity and methods in which we accept students into the program. 25% of the RHS students are in the engineering program and are often the highly engaged student leaders.
- A lot of great open discussion with Mr. V, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Strand-Poole and the parents on how remote learning and classes are going.

Attendees:

Faculty:

Adam Davidson Russell Strand-Poole Tim Velegol

Officers:

Karen Seifert Linda Walters Alicia Pepper Todd Patton

Parents(s) of seniors (and others) Sabrina Lamar

Parents of juniors (and others)

Linda Alling Jill Bosecker Kim Bowers Tom Edds Colleen Johnson Michele Kloda and Cyrus Dastur Jeff Koweek Meta Kuehn Jaime Baize Smith Jenny Umbarger

Parents of sophomores (and others)

Kristen Brigman Jill Foster Heather Gavilan Teri and Matt Lowder Micah and Jeanne Luftig Michelle Rice

Parents of freshmen

Joy Brewster Joanne Campione Donna and Bill Clark Karrie Comatas and Brian Ridder Michelle Guilmette Steve Haine Kathy Holt Jim Nonnemaker Martha Payne

Parents of incoming

Laura Ades Abee Boyles Kristin and Steve Bradley-Bull Kellie and Powrie Amanda Sublett Kristi Wescott Dawn Wilcox