

## Kingston High School Parent Teacher Student Organization

February 1, 2022, 5:30 pm

KHS Auditorium

Principal Vince DeCicco (KHS) spoke and introduced the faculty members at the meeting.

Alix Fox Cutrone-Parent Representative spoke about the format of future meetings: Meeting every other month, attendees were polled by show of hands if an earlier or later meeting time would be preferred. Generally a meeting would be 50% Presentation (different topics) and 50% PTSO addressing needs/questions/comments. Suggestions for topics: Building Communication, Parent Engagement, Information Sharing. There won't be elected officers as in traditional PTSO/A organizations. Faculty, Parent and Student representatives would probably meet a little more often and share roles and responsibilities. Interested parties were asked to stay after the meeting and speak to Alix Fox Cutrone.

The topic for tonight: **Social Emotional Resources** (Powerpoint presentation at tonight's meeting listed current resources and community partnerships and the names and contact information of faculty assigned to each cohort. Powerpoint to be available on the KHS website at a later date) Mr. DeCicco stated at future meetings split screen Powerpoint presentations will be in English and Spanish.

Introductions of all attendees were made and any suggestions for future meetings and/or expectations of the organization were shared (listed below).

- Looking forward to parent involvement aspect of this group
- Anything to rebuild community and connectivity, ways to unite the community
- Social Emotional Learning
- Student Voices
- Sharing resources
- Offer to help with a PTSO Facebook page if needed for additional outlet for communication
- Outreach to each other
- Necessary information in all areas (beyond what child tells me)
- Information exchange-how things work at KHS on variety of topics
- College options
- How to find out how my child is doing beyond grades
- Some parents would like to attend individual meetings, i.e., Code of Conduct/Jefferson Committee-(Parents are welcome however the meetings are currently held virtually on TEAMS so that might be complicated right now)
- How can parents support students and teachers
- In person get together when possible-community meals?

In closing Mr. DeCicco thanked everyone who participated tonight and suggested everyone bring 2 friends to the next meeting.

Next meeting at 6 pm, April 5, 2022.

*Notes submitted by KHS parent Shelley Burch*