

Graduation Committee Meeting Minutes November 18, 2020

1. Welcome by Mr. Nolan and Mr. Morrison. Confirmed grad ceremony date for **Saturday, May 29, 2021.**
 - a. It was brought up by Grads to Mr. Morrison whether it could be held outside, but due to it being in May and weather being unpredictable, it would not be doable.
 - b. Tent outside would go against COVID regulations, as it would no longer be “outside” and we would be back at looking at number so it’s not feasible.
 - c. We are proceeding with the ceremony being in the gym as it was held last year, the Multiplex has been booked in case restrictions are lifted. Set a date to be reviewed in mid-February (Feb.13) as the end time to possibly change Grad if needed.
2. Mr. Morrison reviewed options for Grad Ceremony and option 1 was selected by consensus.
 - a. Groups will be divided alphabetically; and randomly called in as it is **not** possible to put them in order because it is impossible to have staff out organizing the vehicles.
 - b. Valedictorian will be selected, with the possibility of recording a speech being given ahead of time.
 - c. Any awards they are eligible for will be read by Mr. Morrison while students are up on stage. Academic awards will not all be handed out as the school year has yet to be finished.
 - d. Ceremony will be live streamed and the complete ceremony will be recorder.
3. Grad fees roughly estimated around \$75.00 – This does **not** include the \$25.00 for the gown, stole & cap.
4. Tenders will be sent out for photographer. As of right now we are not planning on a group photo, if is possible it would not be on Grad day. If unable to do a group photo our default would be a collage.
5. Discussion of sending out tenders for a decorator as well rather than choosing the same one. Group decorating could be an option but hiring someone would be preferred as we then have to make sure we have enough volunteers ready to set up and take down after the event.
6. Importance of ordering hoodies no later than Dec.13 as this is the reason why we were able to get them at such a good price. Order will be placed as a bulk order.
7. Pictures of grads need to be submitted digitally to Mr. Morrison or Ms. Holdis. 4 pictures are required of each student, Grad photo will be submitted directly to the school.
8. Usually an EPC Facebook page has been created, need somebody to not only set it up but to be a moderator, no type of abuse or rudeness is tolerated.
9. No fundraising will be possible this year, we will not be having an online auction or Buy Low bucks this year.
10. Mr. Nolan has set the date for the next meeting for Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 6:30pm in the gymnasium and the same rules apply for entering the building.