

**Manhasset High School/Middle School Joint Parent Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 16, 2008
Minutes**

1. Welcome and opening of meeting by Jeannette Reilly, High School SCA President

Jeannette welcomed those in attendance.

2. Comments by Dr. Dean Schlanger – Secondary School Principal

Dr. Schlanger reported on the success of the Frosh dance; the Ping Pong tables for the SPA (senior privileges area) acquired through student activities and a fundraiser for the Manhasset Women's Coalition against Breast Cancer. He noted upcoming events: the Soph and induction of students into the National Junior Honor Society.

3. Report from Kathy McIntee – SCA Middle School President

Kathy introduced Jane Grappone, Director of Guidance Services.

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Ms. Grappone reported on the status of the high school seniors and their college application processes. At this date, 96% of high school seniors have applied to college; the Guidance Department has processed 1,679 applications. Ms. Grappone reported briefly on the status of guidance activities for the junior class as well.

5. Report from Margaret Minichini, Community Education Committee Chair.

Ms. Minichini reported on the activities of this committee, including voter education and awareness for students, parents and the greater Manhasset community. She is seeking volunteers to assist in the Community Education Committee.

6. Guest Speaker: Dr. Ira Wolf

Dr. Wolf is the President of PowerPrep and the author of several books on test preparation. He gave a detailed overview of the testing process in connection with college applications, including the PSAT, SAT, ACT and SAT Subject Tests. A detailed Q&A session followed his remarks.

7. Jeannette Reilly – SCA High School President

The minutes from the November 30, 2007 joint Parent Council Meeting were approved.

Important Dates and Reminders:

1/18 Friday Night Live

1/21 Dr Martin Luther King Day
schools closed

2/2 Soph Social

2/5 10th Grade Parent's Meeting

1/22-1/25 Mid-terms/Regents exams

1/25 Second Marking Period ends

1/22 MS Winter II sports begin

1/26 SAT exams (not at MHS)

1/28 Athletic/College Night

2/1 SCA Open Executive Meeting

2/8 MS Valentine's Day Dance

2/18-2/22 Winter Recess, Schools closed

Next Meeting: Joint HS/MS SCA Parent Council Meeting February 29 at 9:30 a.m.