



## **Manhasset Secondary School SCA Meeting**

**Date: Friday, March 18, 2011**

**Title of Meeting: MS/HS Joint Parent Council Meeting**

**Location: Secondary School Board Room**

### **Welcome and Opening of Meeting**

Jeanine Toes, High School SCA President, and Laura Tranchina, MS SCA President, opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees. Jeanine reminded the attendees of the SCA Fair and that it is the largest fundraiser for the SCA. The SCA will be providing two \$1000 scholarships for this year's graduating seniors. A \$1000 scholarship will be provided to one girl and boy.

### **Guidance Update**

Jane Grappone, Director of Guidance/Counseling 7-12

Middle School: Meeting with 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents to discuss the transition to 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Information regarding Internet safety and CASA flyer on teen drinking was distributed to parents.

High School: 1000 AP exams have been ordered with 400 students taking one or more exams. The cost is \$87 per exam not \$86 as originally posted.

Look on Guidance website for scholarship and summer studies opportunities.

Letter sent out in January to all Junior parents to schedule post secondary planning meeting with counselors. Very low response.

Mock College Interview Night on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Increased to 72 students, positive response from students and parent volunteers.

Mailing sent to parents with students with disabilities outlining college services for those students.

10<sup>th</sup> grade parent meeting held in February. Pre College Planning was the theme and well attended.

A lunchtime workshop for 10<sup>th</sup> grade students regarding standardized testing is being planned for the near future.

College Fairs at Schreiber HS April 13 and Hofstra University May 11<sup>th</sup>.

9<sup>th</sup> grade parent meetings with guidance counselors on going with strong participation.



### **Principal's Report**

Peter Vercessi – Assistant Principal, 7-9

Tentative Final Exam Schedule posted on the secondary school website on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

A change to the school calendar is necessary. June 14<sup>th</sup> will be a regular class day and not an exam day.

Progress reports and recommended course schedules were mailed home.

\$12,000 was raised at the Middle School MDA Dance.

Exemplar Food Drive was successful.

6<sup>th</sup> grade parent orientation was well attended.

The Junior Prom was successful. No disciplinary actions were taken. A parent inquired as to why the school policy prohibited students from other districts to attend as a guest. Policy was implemented because of past disciplinary issues.

### **District Science Coordinator**

A presentation on the District's Science Curriculum, was given by Theresa Curry, District Coordinator. A similar presentation was presented to the Board of Education at its February 3, 2011 meeting. The presentation is available on the district website

### **Superintendent's Report**

Charles Cardillo, Superintendent, discussed the Budget Working Document. All information can be found on the district website.

Meeting concluded at approximately 11:30 a.m.