



SCA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday, November 7, 2014

Call to Order: 9:10 am

Meeting adjourned: 10:06 am

Officers Present: Tricia Cash, Caroline Kenlon, Kim Haggerty, Cathy Conniff, Kristin Mulholland, Liz Tsalikis, Jill Pullano

Executive President's Welcome – Tricia Cash

- Tricia welcomed all to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Executive President's Report – Tricia Cash

- The walking tours offered in preparation for the bond vote are a very valuable and informative resource, and are highly recommended.
- The Fall Luncheon will be November 19. Maria Herrington and the committee members are doing a great job with the preparations and soliciting raffle prizes.
- The Nominating Committee is looking to fill the following positions: Executive President, High School President, Shelter Rock President, and Executive Secretary. Nominations are due in December.
- Saturday Series is looking for chairpersons.
- Project Share's Holiday Gift Giving Program is underway. Last year, over 150 wish lists items were fulfilled. Wish List items include basic need items such as clothing and shoes as well as a gift item up to a \$50 value.
- Project Share would like to thank Daniel Gale for collecting over 300 coats. Clean Concepts donated the dry cleaning for the coats.
- Project Share's Thanksgiving Meal program will provide 10 meals for families within the school district that have been identified by the social workers. The Girl Scouts provided baked goods (Troop 540, Leader, Cindy Rainson) and other provisions (Troop 563, Leaders Shannon Wilson and Susana Alcaez). Planet Manhasset donated fresh produce.

Executive Secretary's Report – Jill Pullano

- Approval of Minutes:
 - Minutes were approved from the October 10, 2014 Executive Board Meeting.

Executive Treasurer's Report – Liz Tsalikis

- Financial Results ending October 31 are available for review.
- Membership dues are still being collected. As of October 31, \$30,050 has been collected.
- Saturday Series Fall 2014 had a profit of approximately \$25,000.

Presidents' Reports

High School – Caroline Kenlon

- Homecoming Parade/Dance: Thanks to the Keogh, Merola, Reilly and LaRocca families we were able to bring back the Parade Floats!! However the Dance did not have the turnout we had hoped for and will be on hold for next year.
- The Art for a Cure Art Auction raised over \$5,000. Over five years, since its inception, it has raised approximately \$20,000 for MWCABC.
- Upcoming Events:

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- Join the CEC committee and sign up for walking tours to view the proposed changes for the upcoming Dec 3rd Bond Vote. Tours: 11/10 12-1 & 7:30-8:30, 11/18 7:30- 8:30, 11/21 12-1, and 12/2 11:15-12:15.
- Senior Banquet: Wednesday November 12, 6:30 pm at Leonard's. Deanna Durso and Mary Felman have been working hard to create a memorable evening for the class of 2015!
- Parent Teacher Conference Sign-ups: Thursday, November 13, 7:00pm on TeacherReacher.com.
- Holiday Gift Giving Program: Please respond by November 14.
- SCA Fall Luncheon: Wednesday, November 19, 11:00 am North Hills Country Club.
- High School Musical Production, "Sound of Music": November 20-23, Tickets will be available on-line.
- Champions for Charity: December 4-6, Please register and add SCA as one of your charities!

Middle School – Kim Haggerty

- Thursday, October 23 was Photo Make Up Day. There was some confusion with photos handed out too late. If you are still in need of a make up photo please contact us. Sessions are available at Irvin Simon's studio for no additional charge. Again, thank you to Nancy Schlaefter and her committee.
- Friday, October 31 was the MS Halloween Dance. Thank you to Lori Kearns and Erin Kurkjian for organizing a terrific event for the students! They, along with their committee, transformed the hallway and HS and MS gymnasiums in 3 hours. The dance was well attended and the evening was filled with dancing, games, snacks and candy prizes. Thank you to the many volunteers that helped make the evening a success.
 - Thursday, November 13 at 7:00 pm MS Conference Sign ups. Please register prior to 7:00 pm at Teacherreacher.com Conference slots will fill up quickly, typically in 15 to 30 minutes, so it is suggested that if you are interested in attending a conference you logon to teacherreacher.com at 7:00pm.
 - Wednesday, November 19 SCA Luncheon: Thank you to the MS Grade Level Chairs who donated a Beats Pillbox Speaker and an iTunes gift card on behalf of the MS SCA. Hope to see many MS parents at the luncheon!
 - Friday, December 5 is the MS Holiday Dance 7:30 - 9:30pm in the gymnasium.
 - MS Holiday Concerts: Wednesday, December 10 and Monday, December 15.

Munsey Park – Cathy Conniff

- October 22: Joint Parent Council Meeting, Munsey Park Auditorium: The topic was Safe Surfing: Keeping Your Kids Safe While They Surf The Internet. The presenters were Munsey Park Computer Specialist, Deborah Cernuto, Munsey Park Library Media Specialist, Kathleen Olwy, Shelter Rock Computer Specialist, Dina Merolesi, and Shelter Rock Library Media Specialist, Amy Rowland. The meeting was well attended.
- October 27-31st: Red Ribbon Week, The theme was *Friends Don't Let Friends Bully or Do Drugs!*: Red Ribbon Week activities included CASA presentations for grades Kindergarten through 6 in which the students learned about making healthy choices for their bodies and appropriate choices regarding being a friend and not a bully. The children decorated cardboard hands with artwork representing their ideas about bullying and healthy choices. The hands were displayed in the hallways of the school. Special thanks to our Red Ribbon Week Committee chairs Heidi Franchetti and Jennifer Johnston.
- October 31st: 5th/6th Grade Halloween Party: The theme was "Carnevil" and about 200 5th and 6th graders attended. The night ran smoothly and all had a great time.
- November 6th: Blue Ribbon Recognition Ceremony: The Manhasset Board of Education, along with Roger Tilles, New York State Board of Regents, and Judi Bosworth, Town of North Hempstead Supervisor, honored Munsey Park School in recognition of our 2014 National

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Blue Ribbon School Award. The SCA provided refreshments for this ceremony, which was attended by faculty, staff, administrators, parents and students.

- Photo Days were successful. Thanks to Missy Leder, Amy Keogh, and their committee.
- Upcoming Dates:
 - November 12: Munsey Park Parent Council Meeting. The topic is "Study Skills: Best Practices to Help Your Child Succeed!"
 - November 19: SCA Fall Luncheon
 - November 20 and December 3: No classes for parent/teacher conference days
 - December 8: 5th/6th grades Holiday Concert Band and Orchestra, 7:30pm
 - December 17: 5th/6th grades Holiday Concert Chorus, 7:30pm

Shelter Rock - Kristin Mulholland

- The fifth and sixth grade Halloween dance was a success on October 31. We used the fast track pass, which helped to create an efficient entry and exit from the dance. Thank you to Joanna Carlson and Monita Mendiratta for running this dance.
- Red Ribbon week was October 27-31. We had two informative presentations for Shelter Rock students in the auditorium.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Photo make-up day is November 12. Thanks to Tara LaSalle and Whitney Godfrey for three great photo days.
 - Our next PC Meeting is November 13 at 9:30 am the Physical Education teachers will be giving us indoor exercises and games that children can perform to stay active and fit during the cold winter months.
 - The Shelter Rock School Directory is coming out this week.
 - Parent-teacher conference days are November 20 and December 3. There will be no school on these days.
 - Extended Extras continue until mid-December.
 - Enrichment: The Kindergarten students will see a Theatreworks production on November 10. Author David Adler is coming for grade 3 students on November 13.
 - The SCA Luncheon is November 19.
 - Shelter Rock collected over \$1,700 in Boxtops from the 2013-2014 school year. Please remember to send in those box tops. To date we have collected \$10,707 since this program was first started at Shelter Rock.
 - The Splish Splash date changed to Friday, June 19. Shelter Rock will attend on the same day as Munsey Park.

Executive Committee Updates

Community Education Committee – Shauna Devardo

- There are many non-voters. We need to get out the vote. Especially parents of younger children.
- Coffee with Charlie will be next Thursday, November 13 at 7 PM.

Saturday Series – Sheila Riley

- Chairpersons are desperately needed.

Superintendent's Update – Charles Cardillo

- A course gap analysis was begun a year ago comparing Manhasset to 13 other school districts. Courses were finalized in November and student course selection will begin in December and January.
- Identified needs: AP Computer Science, Multivariate Calculus

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- Elementary foreign language will be reviewed and considered. Secondary level foreign languages: Mandarin as a second a language, Latin as a third language, AP Italian and Level 5 Italian.
- Science and Social Studies offering have been previously reviewed and are now considered complete.
- Six walking tours for the bond vote have been scheduled.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Pullano

SCA Executive Board Secretary