

SCA Executive Board Meeting Minutes Date: Friday, March 13, 2015 Call to Order: 9:08 am Meeting adjourned: 9:58 am Officers Present: Tricia Cash, Caroline Kenlon, Kim Haggerty, Cathy Conniff, Kristin Mulholland, Liz Tsalikis, Jill Pullano

Executive President's Welcome – Kristin Ryan for Tricia Cash

• Tricia welcomed all to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Executive President's Report – Tricia Cash

- Announcements for SEPTA:
 - April 23, 7-9pm, Speaker: Elizabeth Wissner-Gross
 - April 30, 7pm, Ladies Night Out at PWYC
- The Revisions Committee has convened and is considering changes to the number of Parent Council Meetings at the elementary level among other items. Any suggestions should be submitted to Renee Press.
- The SCA Fair is in need of advertisers and sponsors. Interested parties should contact Linda Gurino.

Executive Secretary's Report – Jill Pullano

- Approval of Minutes:
 - Minutes were approved from the January 9, 2015 Executive Board Meeting.

Executive Treasurer's Report – Liz Tsalikis

- The financial statements dated February 28, 2015are available for review.
- The audit for the Manhasset SCA fiscal year 2013-14 is underway.
- Dividend income has an increase due to interest we received on our Vanguard Fund.
- Membership dues are down 20% compared to last year at this time. Postcards have not been mailed out but will be shortly.
- Winter Saturday Series enrollment has increased slightly compared to the fall session.

Presidents' Reports

High School – Caroline Kenlon

- On January 14 our evening meeting was very well attended, with over 100 parents, Dr. Joie Jager- Hyman was the speaker and her book B+ Grades, A+ College Application was given to all who attended – a gift from the SCA.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Spring sports have begun, despite the weather, with indoor practices. Golf and badminton start Monday, March 16.
 - The High School theatre production is entitled, "School for Scandal". Performances are scheduled for March 20-21, at 7:30pm. Tickets are available online at the new website Manhassetschools.org. There is a link on the homepage.
 - Guidance Career Night is scheduled for March 25, 7:30pm, Black Box Theatre. Topic: Business
 - The Senior Prom will at April 18 at the Garden City Hotel. Tickets will be on sale in the main hallway during lunch periods 3-7 on March 25-27.
 - The final exams schedule has been posted and emailed.
 - The third quarter and April 1st not April 21 due to ELA avam

• The next Parent Council Meeting is scheduled for April 17.

Middle School – Kim Haggerty

- 6th Grade MS parent orientation was held on March 4. In addition, on April 28 at Shelter Rock at 7:30pm there will be a Transition Parent Panel. We have 5 parent volunteers as well as administrators ready to present and answer questions.
- Friday, March 6 was MS 1st Annual Dance for A Cure. The students had a great night with 200 in attendance, which was up from last year. They raised \$950 for MWCABC.
- MS Health and Wellness is 3/23-3/27
- Upcoming Events:
 - Monday, March 30: MS Spring Sports begin
 - NYS ELA exam: April 14-16, State Math exam: April 22-24. Students will follow a revised schedule on those days.
 - April 17, 10am: Next Parent Council Meeting

Munsey Park – Cathy Conniff

- January 12-16 was Health & Wellness Week. There was a poster contest themed "Start Your Day a Healthy Way" with winners from each grade. Winners got their picture in the Manhasset Press. Thank you to the co-chairs, Nazli Dibi and Jill Rorech.
- January 29 was Guess Who's Coming To Read. Mystery guests read to our K through 3rd graders and spoke about their interesting careers and the importance of reading. Thank you to Kelly Smith and Karen Solon.
- February 24: Munsey Park Trivia Challenge team won first place in the Trivia Challenge Finals. Congratulations to PJ Flood, Anderson Lu, Cooper Stevens and Colin Pasquale.
- March 2-6 was the Munsey Park Book Fair. The theme was "Under The Sea". Family Night was a success. Our guest reader was 39 Clues author Jude Watson. Despite a delayed opening and a snow day, the week was a success. Thanks to Sharon Messina and Kristin Stevens, the co-chairs, and their huge committee
- Upcoming Dates:
 - March 18: SCA Joint Parent Council Meeting at Shelter Rock at 9:30am. The topic is the District's new website. The speaker is Sean Adcroft.
 - March 18: Jump for a Cure. The fundraiser will benefit the Naomi Berrie Diabetes Center of the Columbia University Hospital.
 - March 18: 5th Grade Maturation for Munsey Park/Shelter Rock at 7pm.
 - March 19: Parent/Teacher conference in the evening, by appointment only.
 - March 24: 6th Grade Maturation Night for Munsey Park/Shelter at 7pm.
 - April 14-16th is Grades 3-6 ELA exams.
 - April 20: Go Green Day, Earth Day Celebration. This day is moved from 4/22 because of the state math exams.

Shelter Rock - Kristin Mulholland

- Guess Who's Coming to Read was on February 24, the snow date, with 21 readers.
- The book fair, Under the Sea, was March 2-6, with Family night on March 2, 5:30-8:30 pm on March 2nd. The Preschool Event was cancelled due to snow. We sold approximately \$37,000 worth of books, which is \$3,500 more than last year, and with only four instead of days. We doubled up on Friday to accommodate all of the classes.
- Grade 6 Parent Night and Tour was at the MHS Auditorium, 7:30pm on March 4.
- The Budget Work session was on March 7 at MHS. SR projected classes: five sections of K, Grades 1, 2, 5 and six sections of grades 3 and 6, and four sections of grade 4 and special education.

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- Upcoming Events:
 - In View Testing March 12[:] Grades 4-6
 - Tower dinner is March 14 at Plandome Country Club at 7:30 am. It is sold out.
 - Grade 5 Maturation night: March 18 at 7pm, girls at MP and boys at SR
 - MP/SR Joint Parent Council Meeting: March 18 at 9:30 am at SR- Mr. Adcroft will speak about the new district website. Mr. Cardillo will speak on the budget.
 - Grade 6 Maturation night: 7pm on March 24, boys at SR and girls at MP.
 - SCA Fair May 2: Linda Gurino is looking for volunteers.
 - ELA: April 14-16, Grades 3-6
 - Go Green Day: April 20, Jill Murphy and Jennifer Marchignoli
 - MP/SR New Parent Kindergarten Orientation Meeting: April 20 at SR, 7pm. This is replacing the daytime visit in May.
 - NYS Math Exam: April 22-24
 - Grade 6 Transition Panel Meeting: SR at 7:30pm. For Grade 6 MP and SR, parents only.
 - Kindergarten Screening: April 27-May 1, The SCA will provide water and pretzels for the children. 95-100 students are projected for 2015-2016 in Kindergarten.
 - Extended Extras: Due to snow, some classes will run until the first week of May.

Executive Committee Update

Saturday Series – Annie Yeung

Exploring online registration.

Website – Laura Pavolovich

• Distributed a survey inquiring about the SCA website and Highlights.

Liaison's Update

CASA – Caryn Sawyer

- Over 150 students attended Chalk Talk.
- Recent presentations: Dr. Dewey The Teen Brain, Power of Parenting Bullying
- March 18 is National Kicks Butts Day. There will be an E-cigarette presentation in the HS science classes and a poster contest.
- Health and Wellness week will take place March 27 in the MS.
- Senior Prom promotions proceeds will benefit CASA and the SCA.

Superintendent's Update – Charles Cardillo

- The budget process has begun.
- State aid information is expected at the end of March.
- There is growth in enrollment and curriculum at the secondary level.

Board of Education Update – Regina Rule

- GEA letters are available on the Manhasset Schools website.
- Also look for the BOE newsletter online.
- Tuesday, May 19 is the school budget vote.
- Arena Sports has Manhasset car magnets available for sale.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Pullano SCA Executive Board Secretary