



**SCA HS/MS Joint Parent Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Friday, April 17, 2015, 10:00am**  
**Manhasset Secondary School Board Room**

**Welcome**

- **Caroline Kenlon, HS SCA President**
- **Lauren Barrett, MS SCA Vice-President**

**SCA Reports and Business**

- Senior Prom – 4/28 at The Garden City Hotel and Frolic Fundraiser
- Author Phil Klay, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 HS Auditorium
- NYS Math Tests – April 22 -24 for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades
- April 28 – Middle School (6th Grade) Transition Meeting at Shelter Rock at 7:30pm
- SCA Fair – May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Volunteers needed. Please use Sign-up Genius
- Staff Appreciation Luncheon – May 13th

**Guidance Update - Kim Cosenza, High School Guidance Counselor**

- April reminders send out via email, Connect Ed and can also be found on-line
- Career Night on April 21<sup>st</sup> – A speaker from St. John's will focus on Career Trends in Pharmaceuticals (Pharmacy and Health Services) and Physician's Assistants
- April 21 and 22 – College Night in the Black Box Theater sponsored by Nassau Counselors' Association SUNY and Hofstra University. Check on-line and the Manhasset School's website for agenda. Also, check on-line for Port Washington's schedule.
- April 27<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night - Presenter will be from Method Test Prep and will outline the differences between the old and new SAT exams. Tenth Grade is also invited.
- Honors Override Forms are out today and are due back by May 8<sup>th</sup> – no exceptions

**Special Presentation – Ray Scacalossi, District Mathematics Coordinator**

- Discussion of Common Core Curriculum – refer to Power Point Presentation on Website
- Second year of Common Core Algebra; only one Regents this year: Common Core Algebra
- Two teachers will have seen ½ of CC modules for next year's Algebra 2 (all that is available)
- CC Geometry will be more hands on: using tools and drawing pictures
- Two Regents this year for Geometry = traditional and Common Core
- June 5<sup>th</sup> – last day of classes – plenty of prep/review time (Ten 1hr sessions)

**Principal Report – Dean Schlanger, Principal Manhasset Secondary School**

- Q3 Report cards will be available Monday at 4:00pm
- Senior Prom – awesome time; great class
- Dr. Schlanger is working with Sr Class on a special memorial to Karie Sit, a tree planting and plaque will be dedicated at the Senior BBQ; Yearbook Dedication is heartwarming
- Honors overrides – have discussion now with your children and look at the totality
- ELA testing – all went fine
- Math Testing – similar schedule as for the ELA's
- Special guest speaker and book signing on Wednesday, 4/22. Phil Klay, author of *Redeployment*, is the winner of a 2014 National Book award for fiction. Two hundred books have been pre-ordered. Event has been advertised in papers, email blast sent; very exciting!

- Art Gallery – Grand Opening date will be posted in the District Calendar for next year

**Charles Cardillo, Superintendent, Manhasset School District**

- State ELA's – very low Opt-Out rate in Manhasset
- Budget approved Wednesday night
- Budget continues to restore and to rebuild aspects of the "4 A's" – Academics, Arts, Athletics and Activities – that were negatively impacted by the 2013-14 budget votes; addresses needs at all levels including an integrated co-teaching model, course GAP analysis; funding for instructional technology, etc.
- Spread the word – get out the vote
- Letter to Editor in Manhasset Press – very inaccurate
- Budget Information is available on the District website: [www.manhassetsschools.org](http://www.manhassetsschools.org)
- Budget vote is Tuesday May 19 – 6:30 a.m. – 10 p.m. at the High School Gym

**CASA Update – Caryn Sawyer, Executive Director**

- Upcoming Programs
  1. April 18<sup>th</sup> - Shed the Meds Pharmaceutical Take Back Event at Shelter Rock Elementary School
  2. April 23 – Hang Up and Drive with Jacy Good
  3. April 29 - Power of Parenting - Raising Confident and Healthy Girls
  4. June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> - Red Watch Band Program – CPR Training for seniors
- Reminder - Prom Fundraiser / Nubest Coupon
- See CASA website for more details

**Next HS/MS Joint Parent Council Meeting, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Secondary School Boardroom**