



SCA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday, November 13, 2015

Call to Order: 9:05am

Meeting Adjourned: 9:45am

Officers Present: Lisa Grygiel, Kristen Ryan, Katie Lane, Jeannette Reilly, Cathy Conniff, Kim Haggerty, Leslie Fleck and Liz Tsalikis

Executive President's Welcome – Lisa Grygiel

Pledge of Allegiance

General Announcements – Lisa Grygiel

- SCA Luncheon- will be held on Wednesday, November 18th. Please join us!
- Champions for Charity will be held Thursday, December 3rd through Sunday, December 6th. Please shop and register the SCA as your charity.

Executive Secretary's Report – Katie Lane

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2015 SCA Open Executive Board Meeting.

Report of Interim Votes:

- The proposal to spend \$3,264.10 for Munsey Park yearbooks was approved via electronic communication by the SCA Executive Board as of Monday, October 19, 2015.
- The proposal to pay \$3,613.75 to Spectrum Designs for sweatshirts for 6th graders at Munsey Park was approved via electronic communication by the SCA executive board on Wednesday, October 21, 2015.
- The proposal to spend approximately \$16,700 on one enrichment program per grade at Shelter Rock and Munsey Park was approved via electronic communication by the SCA Executive Board on Wednesday, November 4, 2015.

Treasurer's Report – Liz Tsalikis

- Financial results as of October 31, 2015 are available for review
- Membership dues are still being sent in and as of October 31st we have collected over \$16,000.
- Saturday Series fall enrollment fees have increased over \$7,000 from the fall of 2014.
- Expenses from Halloween as well as Homecoming are being paid and are continuing to come in and can be found on the Executive Level page of the financial reports.
- Munsey Park school directory, extended extras, school supplies and yearbook bills were all paid.
- Shelter Rock Extended Extras instructor fees were paid.

President's Reports

High School – Jeanette Reilly

- The Secondary School Directory is at the printer and will be mailed shortly!
- Homecoming/Pep Rally – The HS SCA hosted a (private!) fruit & bagel breakfast for the senior class on Friday, October 23rd - the last morning of Spirit Week. The senior class was covered in paint and looked exhausted, but appeared to be having a ton of fun!
The SCA also funded the DJ for the afternoon Pep Rally events.
- Discussions at our Grade Level Meetings regarding Photo Days and Senior Portraits led to a subcommittee meeting with Dr. Schlanger and the Co-owners of Irvin Simon Photography. The photography team was incredibly receptive, and the company continues to work extremely hard to please the Manhasset Secondary School community. With regard to the senior portraits, we are working together to make adjustments to the selection of backgrounds, and increasing the number of photographs taken on the Yearbook (blue) background. We believe this will satisfy the majority of suggestions/comments we have accumulated.
- Senior Banquet: What a great celebration! A huge thank you to our three fabulous SCA co-chairs: Tara Baranello, Karen Barnes, and Karmen Dadourian. The evening was a wonderful tribute to the Class of 2016.
The students orchestrated much of the program. The “Remember When....” trip down memory lane segment was a hysterical, highlight portion of the night. We should be extremely proud of our talented (and, extremely funny students!)
- Our next HS/MS Parent Council Meeting is scheduled for Nov. 13, 2015.
Sean Adcroft, Director K-12, Instructional Technology and Libraries, will be sharing his expertise regarding the district website, vmware, and other district technologies.

Middle School – Kim Haggerty

- Saturday, October 31st was the MS Halloween Dance. Thank you to Michele Stollsteimer and Janet Hayes for organizing a terrific event for the students! They, along with their committee, transformed the hallway and High School and Middle School gyms. The dance was well attended with 395 students and the evening was filled with dancing, games, food and prizes. Thank you to the many volunteers that made the evening a success.
- Middle School Conference sign-ups are Wednesday, November 18th at 7:00pm. Please register prior to 7:00pm at Teacherreacher.com. Conference slots will fill up quickly, so if you're interested in a conference log on to teacherreacher.com at 7:00pm. Conferences are Friday 12/4.
- Wednesday, November 18th is the SCA Luncheon. Thank you to the MS Grade Level Chairs who donated a gift basket on behalf of the MS SCA. Hope to see many MS parents at the luncheon!
- Friday, December 18th is the MS Holiday Dance from 7:30-9:30pm in the gym.
- MS Holiday Concerts will be held on Wednesday, December 9th and Tuesday, December 15th.
- The MS directory has been delayed, but it is at the printer so it will be mailed soon.

Munsey Park – Cathy Conniff

- October 8th: Joint Parent Council Meeting, Munsey Park Auditorium
The presentation was *Box Out Bullying*, brought to us by CASA. The presentation provided parents with practical tools, information and guidance to identify and address bullying issues. We had a good turnout.
- October 12-16st: Red Ribbon Week
The theme was *Box out Bullying*. Red Ribbon Week activities included CASA presentations for grades Kindergarten through 6th in which the students learned about bullying. Special thanks to our Red Ribbon Week Committee chairs Heidi Franchetti and Jennifer Johnston.
- October 31st: 5th/6th Grade Halloween Party
The theme was "Monster Bash" and about 200 5th and 6th graders attended. The night ran smoothly and all had a great time. Thank you to Chris Whittaker and Virginia Madden, the 6th grade chairs, and Melissa Chiovitti, Lisa Fanuka, Amy Nass and Jennifer Giordano, the 5th grade chairs. Also, a big thank you to all those parents who volunteered.
- Operation Sweet Tooth -Munsey Park students and families donated almost 400 pounds of candy to The Inn, The Interfaith Nutrition Network, which helps the hungry and homeless of Long Island. Thank you to Debbie Colallilo.

Upcoming Dates:

- November 16th: Parent/teacher conference day; no school.
- November 17th: Enrichment presents David Adler to 3rd graders.

- December 4th: Parent/teacher conference day; no school.
- December 10th @ 7:30pm: Band & Orchestra Holiday Concert
- December 16th @ 7:30: 5/6 grade Chorus Holiday Concert
- December 21 @ 9:15am: Grade 4 Concert.

Shelter Rock – Leslie Fleck.

- Red Ribbon Week was the week of October 13th. There were “Box Out Bullying” student presentations for K-6 at Shelter Rock on Tuesday, October 13th. Miriam D’Orio and Celeste Sforza chaired this important event.
- Homecoming was Saturday, October 24th. Students from both Shelter Rock and Munsey Park marched in the parade.
- 5th and 6th Grade Halloween Party was Saturday, October 31st. Thank you to Monita Mendiratta and Sona Schwartz for chairing this event.

Upcoming Events

- November 17th: Enrichment Presentations to all 3rd Graders by David Adler
- November 18th: Photo Make-Up Date
- December 2nd: Holiday Luncheon for Support Staff. Thank you to Kristin Mulholland for chairing this event.
- November 16th and December 4th: Parent/Teacher Conference days. There will not be school on these days.
- Directory: The Shelter Rock directory is in its final stages and will be out before Thanksgiving.
- December 8th: Shelter Rock 5th/6th Grade Holiday Choral Concert at 7:30pm at Munsey Park.
- December 11th: Shelter Rock 4th Grade Holiday Concert at 9:15am at Shelter Rock.
- December 16th: Shelter Rock Band/Orchestra Holiday Concert at 7:30pm at Shelter Rock.

Executive Committee Updates – Lisa Grygiel

Enrichment - we are very proud of the programs we have provided for each grade this fall. Since our last meeting several more grades have benefitted from the SCA’s enrichment program including:

- FIRST GRADE : SMLI: Amphibians and Reptiles
- FIFTH GRADE : Birds of Prey for
- KINDERGARTEN: Curious George

Family Theatre - tickets are on sale now for a “Charlie Brown Christmas” that will be held on Saturday, December 5th at 2pm.

Saturday Series – the fall session was well attended and successful. It will come to a close on Saturday, November 21st. The Musical Theatre class will perform **Grease** on Saturday, November 21st at 2pm at the Shelter Rock auditorium.

Planet Manhasset - fall Cleanup was performed on November 1st and the gardens were put to rest until the spring.

Project Share - forms to participate in The Holiday Gift Giving Program are available now and due back by November 19th.

Webmaster – our new webmaster Andrea Phelan, began this week. Thank you to Laura Pavlovich, who has been our webmaster since September 2013. We will miss you!

CASA Update - Caryn Sawyer, Executive Director of CASA

- CASA will be sponsoring a fundraiser through Chocolate Works after each of the elementary school holiday concerts in December.
- The first CASA Coffee will be held on December 2nd at 10:30AM. The topic will be the emotional roller coaster of the teenage years.

Superintendent Update - Charlie Cardillo

- Anniversary Party for Charlie Cardillo - the 10th anniversary party last Friday was over the top great. He was very surprised.
- Bond Project - The bond project has been delayed due to a shortage of engineers available to approve the project. The administration should know something more definitive after the New Year. Many schools on Long Island are also experiencing delays in approval for building projects.
- Memorial Field - the sod at Memorial field will be installed during Thanksgiving week. The field renovation should be finished during the first week of December. Next spring, a ceremony will be held to celebrate the re-opening of the field. The sod will need to be left idle for a season, so Memorial Field won't be ready until for school sports until the fall of 2016. However, the tennis courts are done and will be ready for the spring.
- School Calendar for 2016-2017 - the Manhasset Schools may be able to go back to a more traditional calendar, one in which the school year begins on the Tuesday after Labor Day. The December break from 2015-2016 will be shorter and Passover and Easter will coincide next year, allowing for only one spring vacation.
- Senior Banquet – The Senior Banquet was held last night. It was an uplifting night where you could feel the goodwill in the room. It was great to see the

Senior Class highlighting their school years from elementary school through high school.

Board of Education Update – Pat Aitken & Regina Rule

The Next Board of Education meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19th. There will be a presentation regarding the use of Chrome Books in the English classroom.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

November

- SCA Fall Luncheon, North Hills Country Club, 11/18
- Manhasset High School Theatre performance of ***Hello Dolly***, 11/19 - 11/21 @ 7:30pm and 11/22 @ 2pm, HS Auditorium
- Saturday Series' Musical Theatre performance of ***Grease***, Saturday, 11/21 @ 2pm, SR Auditorium

December

- SCA Family Theatre presents “Charlie Brown Christmas”, 12/5 @ 2pm, MP Auditorium
- Champions for Charity Shopping Fundraiser @ Americana Manhasset, 12/3 – 12/6

The next SCA Open Executive Board Meeting will be held on Friday, January 15, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Lane
SCA Executive Board Secretary

