PSG Meeting February 17, 2017

Opening:

- Anissa welcomed everyone and pointed out the emergency exits. She asked that all cell phones be silenced.
- Anissa thanked Michelle Sottile, Alicia Baylock and Jenn Rainess for coordinating the great breakfast.
- Anissa welcomed back Ms. Imbro and congratulated her on her new addition.
- Anissa explained that a folder would be passed around during the meeting. The folder contains an attendance sheet for today's meeting along with sign-up sheets for upcoming events.
- The Treasurer's report for January was distributed. Anissa requested that everyone please review while listening and a motion was made at the end of the meeting to accept the report and the minutes.

- Anissa stated the PSG Mission Statement:

- To support the students and & staff of the W.R. Satz School and to enhance the educational experiences of the students.

Student of the Month Presentation: February 2017

Team Pride: Tommy Chyzowych Team Victory: Sophia Mocci Team Honor: Christina & Eliza Korolevich Team Triumph: Abbey Ferguson Team Integrity: Eric Gulko

Principal's Report, Mr. Howard

- Students need to be careful when bringing in coffee and tea. They are reminded to clean up and have a tight lid on all cups.

- Lockers must have locks on them at all times. They also need to be locked not just on the hook.

- DC trip moving forward. Counselors are working on rooming assignments for students who don't yet have roommates. Once complete, the teachers pick their group chaperones.

- A parent inquired about tennis for Satz. Mr. Howard will investigate and report back.

Teacher Representative, Ms. Imbro

- Thank you to Christina DeMola for filling in for me during my maternity leave. She did a wonderful job as our teacher representative.

- We are doing a *Hoops for Heart* 3vs3 Basketball tournament for the American Heart Association. Sign-ups have been this week and I am meeting with teams tomorrow to give them the fundraising forms needed.

March 1st-7th grade day after school (3:15-5:00)

March 2nd-8th grade day after school (3:15-5:00)

All teams need to fundraise \$30.00 as a TEAM, in order to participate in the tournament. Also, students that want to fundraise but not participate in the tournament will be able to do that too. - Congratulations to the *MATH COUNTS* team for placing third in the regional competition on

Saturday Feb. 4. This team competed with 23 other schools and won trophies for their amazing talents. Congratulations to Brian Liu for being the 1st place winner of the entire region at MATH COUNTS on Saturday. He had perfect scores on all 4 events!!!! Amazing! He will represent the Satz School at the State competition at Rutgers on March 11.The team may be going to the State Level of the competition in March as we missed 2nd place by only half of a point.

March is Epilepsy Awareness Month. In support and honor of the Patrick Ring Foundation, the Builders Club will be hosting a movie night in the High School auditorium on March 16, 2017 from 7-9 PM. They will be showing one of Patrick's favorite movies, the original Ghostbusters. Admission is free. They will be selling concessions, t-shirts, and accepting donations. All purchases and donations will go to the Patrick Ring Foundation. Best of all, there will be no school the next day so students won't have to worry about homework. This morning, the Builders Club began handing out order forms for advance purchases of t-shirts to be worn on Epilepsy Awareness Day (Purple Day), March 24th. All support is appreciated.
8th grade Fair - April 5th - Students have started their research in their 8th grade English classes. Over the next few weeks they will continue working toward achieving their goals for making a positive impact on the world around them. The culmination of the 8th grade research/action project will be April 5th during the school day. Parents will be invited to view their work and ask questions. PSG will sell concessions.

PSG, President- Anissa Quirk

- *PSG Gifting initiative*. Purvi and Anissa had a meeting with Chantal, Art and Buildings & Grounds – they reviewed 2 quotes – a very pricey project, but B&G is going to go through the items to see if they can reduce costs by choosing more cost effective hardware. They plan to meet in the next 2-3 weeks with one of the vendors to shop his catalog of products. - 8th Grade Graduation Dinner-Dance theme is "Hollywood."

PSG, VP, Fundraising -- Lori Umbrino and Erika Roth

- Satz Snack Shack – every Thursday, we've been steadily earning money each week thanks to the generosity of parent donations of chips, candy, donuts, pretzels and baked goods; There is a sign-up sheet in the folder going around.

- *Basketball Concessions* for the Home Games – Our last home game is next Thursday, Feb. 23rd.

- *La Ginestra* Food Fundraiser – Tuesday, Feb. 28th – dine in or take out – cash only and La Ginestra will donate 15% back to the PSG

- Tricky Tray – we are filling up fast; we need baskets – we have a letter to local businesses to seek donations.

- *Spring Clothing Drive* - If anyone is planning to do some spring cleaning in their homes, please save your stuff for us – drop off is the week of April 17th

- *Spiritwear* – new this month black t-shirts with the Holmdel "H" - \$15 – limited sizes of small, medium and large; only a few extras left: 3 quarter zipped and 1 hooded sweatshirts (\$25), black sweatpants (\$20) and Straight Outta Holmdel t-shirts (\$10).

- AmazonSmile - If you shop online, remember to start with AmazonSmile and designate Satz to receive 0.5% from your purchases.

- Green Initiatives – another reminder of two great programs that are simple to do and are great for the environment: the first Shoebox Recycling Program - send us your old shoes and they will be recycled and refurbished and re-sold to developing countries; the second is Teracycle - -

- Beauty Brigade – send us your empty containers of beauty products – these get upcycled into new consumer products.

Terri Ferguson, Membership

- We have 207 members (families) as of today. Teachers (48).

Purvi Shah, PSG Treasurer

- The Treasurer's report was distributed and is available upon request. Balance as of 1/31/17 was \$20,625.04.

Jennifer Rainess, Holmdel Alliance Representative

- Next meeting is March 21st. Will report out at the April PSG meeting.

Susan Hammer, HFEE

- 4th Annual Poker Night was February 3rd. Changed to The Park and was a huge success. \$8,800 was raised—thank you!

- Thank you to those who have contributed to our Annual Giving campaign and have applied for a corporate match. Through your generosity, we have raised over \$43,000 so far this year. That really puts us much closer to making our gift initiative a reality-the Music Innovation Lab to be used by the students of Satz and the High School.

- Information and applications for both student and teacher mini-grants can now be found on our website under the mini-grants tab. Applications are due to the building principal by April 6th. The qualified applications need to be submitted to the HFEE by April 26. In addition to this, please find videos explaining the mini-grant process on our website.

- Battle of the Faculties, 3/30/17 at the High School. Tickets will be available for purchase online. 6 tickets per family.

- HFEE will be contributing to the Satz tricky tray.

HCAA, Teresa Rampulla, Satz representative

- The Little Mermaid Satz play was a huge success. The dates were January 20/21

The total profit from ticket, concession and monetary donations was \$663.51.

- Save the Date for the Teacher Talent Show, Games Show Edition on 2/24.

ARISE- Advocating Rights In Special Education, Ana Vander Woude

- Ana encourages everyone to check the ARISE website regularly, it is frequently updated (weekly). Go to Holmdelschools.org. Under ARISE tab.

Holmdel Board of Education, Ana Vander Woude

- Board had a special closed meeting on 1/25 on a student matter. All student names are never disclosed in public meetings.

- 2/1 Public meeting was held. Dr. McGarry sends out a "Holmdel Highlighter" which provides a top line over view of the board meetings for those who are unable to attend.

- Board has approved a medical leave for Lauren Anderson from March 27 through the end of year.

- Dina Schultz was approved as a new lunch aide.

- Dr. McGarry joined Facebook.

- It's budget season for the board. All four schools participate. If you are a member of the public, have something you would like to bring to the board, now is the time to do so.

- Slight change to the 2017/2018. May 25, 2018 is now a half day.

Closing, Anissa Quirk

- Anissa thanked Mr. Howard and Ms. Imbro for taking the time to come to our meeting.

- Thanks again to Michelle Sottile, Alicia Baylock and Jenn Rainess for the breakfast and setting up the hospitality table.

- Thank you to all of you who came to today's meeting.

- Our next meeting is March 20th! See you then!