

Minutes of February 9, 2016 Meeting of
Village Elementary School Parent Association - PSA

PSA President, Danielle Impreveduto, called to order at 9:25 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Principal's Report

Mr. Schillaci welcomed everyone and reminded everyone that the schools would be closed Monday, February 15th for President's Day.

He spoke about the Pre K information session that was held and noted that there was a good turnout. Parents were given a tour of the school followed by discussion session. Pre K applications are due by February 19th. Kindergarten registration is up and running on Village website. Parents can schedule appointment for 2/24 - 2/26 to submit required paperwork necessary for registration.

Mr. Schillaci mentioned that "Read Across America" will be held the week of February 29th. There will be a Crazy Hat Day, Character day, Reading Assembly, special guest appearances, Hero Day and ending with Red & White Day. Local heroes from Police, Fire, Military and Special Agents will provide a special experience for the students and staff.

The school had a Professional Development day on February 8th and they discussed 21st Century learning. Recently, the first grade tablets were set up and at this point we have 2 carts. The 1st grade teachers are very excited to begin their training.

Mr. Schillaci said that Village School has a new School Resource Officer (SRO), Officer Martin. Officer Martin will be a liaison to the school and hopes to attend the March PSA meeting to introduce himself.

Vice Principal's Report

Mrs. Vierschilling greeted everyone and began talking about the Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP) testing that will be provided for 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders. This test will provide a huge bank of data to compare each child with other children at their curriculum level. The MAP should be helpful to look long term if a child is on the right path and help identify areas of improvement. This should serve as great tool for teachers. The 1st and 3rd grades have already been tested and the 2nd grade will be tested in April.

Mrs. Vierschilling was very excited to talk about the Bus Brigade Safety Patrol (BBSP). This has been a character education component for children and has been a huge success. It has taught the children to respect the authority of the kids and also assisted the bus drivers.

Teacher Representative Reports

Christine Barbara and Kara Renfroe thanked the PSA and parents for the updated Staff room. It is always packed and has made a big difference in the space.

Village Idol will be coming up in May. Details will be discussed soon.

They also thanked Natalie Klobuchar and Sheila Scarpino for all of their help with the Bus Safety.

Reports of the Executive Board

Danielle Impreveduto - President

Danielle thanked everyone for coming. PSA has sold over 400 sets of pajamas! PSA is excited for Family Bingo nights. This is a great opportunity to wear the Village pjs.

Kids Art fundraiser will be starting soon and will receive back in time for Mother's Day. Children can create a drawing and their artwork will be transferred onto a mug, phone case, etc.

The PSA will be working with a working mom from Indian Hill to run a diapers/wipes drive.

The PSA Board of Elections are scheduled to take place in May. Letter of intent is provided for anyone interested in any open positions.

Suzanne Serini & Tonya Romano - VP of Fundraising

There will be a Parents Night Out on March 11th at the Holmdel Firehouse. This is a BYOB event that will have dinner and karaoke.

Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser will be held on February 22nd. They will donate 10% of proceeds back to Village PSA when flyer is presented.

Suzanne mentioned that the Carnival grand prizes are already done. Volunteers are needed for the carnival.

Tonya reminded parents that yearbook pictures are needed. Can upload pictures on TreeRing.

The Devils vs Rangers Fundraiser was a huge success. Looking forward to having another one next year,

Tiffany Gourlay - Treasurer

Tiffany noted that the taxes will be filed prior to the extension deadline on February 15th. She is hopeful that penalty fees will be waived.

Christine Bavaro - Recording Secretary

Christine asked for a motion to approve the minutes from January's meeting. Natalie Klobuchar made a motion to approve and Alyssa Dormer seconded the motion.

Reports of the Appointed Boards

Alyssa Dormer

Alyssa will be acting as the Chartwells Liaison. She was given a tour of the kitchen and brought things to Chartwells attention that would be good improvement or addition to the menu. They have added water as a drink option and are looking into adding some healthy snack options to the menu. Alyssa can be reached at psal liaison@gmail.com for any questions or concerns.

Janice Petretti

Janice spoke about Box Tops and encouraged to keep on sending in. The school recently received a check for \$2,700 from Box Tops. Shoprite customers can also link your card to earn extra money for the school. Labels for Education will be doing away with the program this summer, so please submit any labels any the end of June to receive credit.

Michelle Sottile

Michelle spoke on behalf of HFEE and mentioned their upcoming gala on April 9th. The event is sold out, but they are still collecting donations. Over \$52,000 has already been raised this year by the Foundation. The Poker night raised \$8,000.

Battle of the Faculties will be held on March 16th. Tickets are \$10 each and are available in the main office.

Susan Hammer

The PLG is selling \$10 discount cards which offer discounts at Salerno's, Cracked Olive, and Philly Pretzel factory.

Upcoming Events

- February 12th - BINGO Night (Pre K/K/1st Grades)
- February 17th - Waste Free Wednesday
- February 19ht - BINGO Night (2nd/3rd Grades)
- February 22nd - Texas Roadhouse Night
- February 24th, 25th, 26th - Kindergarten Registration
- February 25th - School Store
- March 9th - Family Fun Night - Skate night Middletown Ice World
- March 11th - Parents Night Out
- March 16th - 3rd Grade Spring Concert

Other District News:

March 9th -12th - District Art Show 7:00 pm HHS

March 14th - 18th - Satz PSG Sports Equipment Recycling Drive

HCAA:

2/26/16 Tickets on sale for 2nd Annual Teacher Talent Show - Tickets \$5/person

HFEE:

March 16th - Battle of the Faculties

April 9th - Spring Gala

Alyssa Dormer is the winner of this month's raffle.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 am.