

PSG Meeting
Wednesday, February 18, 2015

Opening:

- The meeting was called to order at 9:40am
- Anissa welcomed everyone and pointed out the emergency exits and asked that cell phones be silenced.
- She thanked Pat Geller and Carol Lyons for providing the refreshments for the Hospitality Table and Linda Jackman for coordinating the Hospitality Table.
- Anissa explained that an orange folder would be passed around during the meeting. This folder contains an Attendance Sheet for today's meeting as well as sign-up sheets for upcoming events.
- Mr. Howard led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Anissa introduced Satz School Principal, Mr. Howard; Assistant Principal, Ms. Marino; and Teacher Representative, Mrs. Imbro

Student of the Month Recognition Program-January Recipients:

-Continuing with our Student of the Month program being piloted this year, we are happy to introduce those students chosen for the month of January:

Len Huang	Team Victory
Charvi Shah	Team Pride
Lily Towle	Team Integrity
Jake Robertelli	Team Honor

The student chosen from Team Triumph could not attend the meeting so they will be recognized at the March 23rd PSG meeting.

A teacher from each team said a few words about the student chosen from their team and Ms. Marino congratulated them and also invited them to a special lunch. Parents of the students were invited to see their child receive recognition.

Principal's Report-Mr. Howard:

-Battle of the Faculties is 3/26/15. Tickets are being sold at the main office of each school. No tickets will be sold at the door.

-Mr. McGarry has made available on the district website FAQs on PARCC :
holmdelschools.org/curriculum/parcc_faqs.shtm

Assistant Principal's Report-Ms. Marino:

-Speaker scheduled for last month was rescheduled again due to yesterday's snow day

-There will be an assembly on 3/17 on the topic of the use of social media

-The Holmdel Alliance is funding several speakers for Satz students:

7th grade-"Under the Influence" on drug and alcohol awareness

8th grade- topic of transition between middle school and high school

Teacher Representative's Report-Mrs. Imbro:

1. Spirit Week: Team Pride won first place for the second year in a row! Congratulations to all the students and teachers for all their effort and enthusiasm.

2. Mrs. Flynn and Mrs. Barth's class just finished a very cool project on Taxonomy that also incorporated genetics. The students needed to give scientific names to strange creatures that are left on the earth after the Earth has become polluted and destroyed. An evolutionary tree, illustrations and a dichotomous key was created for the organism as well. They then needed to cross two of these creatures to create a brand new species. This was shown with Punnet squares, an illustration of the new critter and a 3-d model of it as well. Kids had a good time being "mad scientists" when creating their new critter.
3. Singing with the Staff Karaoke contest - The student council will be hosting the 9th annual *Singing With the Staff* karaoke competition on Friday, March 27th. For those that don't know, *Singing With the Staff* is a chance for you to sing with your favorite staff member in an assembly in front of the entire school. Funds raised will be donated to a charitable cause.

The following staff members have volunteered to perform.

Mr. Arecchi, Mrs. Barth, Ms. Cornacchia, Ms. Crane, Mrs. Donovan, Mr. Ebinger, Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. Kapoor, Mrs. Marino, Ms. Nemeth, Mr. Proctor, Ms. Scott, Ms. Sinck, and Dr. Tetreault.

4. The 8th grade dance theme was voted last week: *Theme will be "Under the Stars"*
5. Congratulations Math Counts Team from William R. Satz - Mrs. Marian Amitrani - Advisor
 - Jason Yan was best in school for this competition. Jason and Prahlad ranked in the top ten of over 200 students. Their outstanding performance qualified Jason and Prahlad to be in the exciting Countdown Round.
 - Twenty two schools competed at the regional competition on Saturday, February 7, 2015 at the Union County College. Members of the team received a trophy for their sixth place win. We are very proud of the team's outstanding accomplishments.

Executive Board Announcements:

Co-Presidents-Anissa Quirk and Michele Samson (Michele was unable to attend):

- -Our EB is in the process of reviewing a list from Mr. Howard of potential items to gift the school; we are reviewing our remaining expenses of the year and hope to choose an item to advise the membership.
- The PSG is beginning its Nomination Process for next year's Executive and Appointed Board positions. Letters will be sent to the current 7th grade parents as well as the parents of the 6th graders at Indian Hill who will be coming to Satz next year. If you are interested in holding a board position or being a part of a committee or regular volunteer, look for our letter next month with descriptions on how you can be a part of The PSG. We plan to announce a slate at our April Meeting and vote at our May Meeting.
- We are looking to have a Ladies Event at Mulberry Market in Colts Neck – April 29th 6:30pm – a chance to purchase gifts for many occasions: Mother's Day, First Communion, Graduation, Teachers, etc. – a flyer will be forthcoming with all the details;
- The PSG has coordinated a date for Spring Picture Day – April 30th – we encourage all students to sit for a picture – Lifetouch gives \$2 back to the PSG – no obligation to buy – just sit!

- We are going to have the 8th grade graduation ceremony videotaped and will be selling this DVD for \$15; we'll take pre-orders as we get closer to the end of the school year; we did this last year and had a great response;
- March Madness Event – Thursday, March 5th – 7-9pm in the Satz gym - all 7th and 8th graders welcome to come and participate or watch – shooting stars competition, beat the buzzer game, best layup and half court shots;
- We still have some Spiritwear for sale – come and purchase.

Vice-Presidents of Fundraising-Stephanie Wuestneck and Robin Andersen (not in attendance):

No report

Vice-President Membership-Carolyn Zofchak (not in attendance):

No report

Treasurer-Amy Lem Varey:

-Anissa presented the Treasurer's Report and made a motion to accept the report. It was accepted by Lucia Van Name and seconded by Kami DeSilva

Recording Secretary-Andria Wojtunik:

-A motion was made to accept the minutes from the Jan 21st PSG meeting. It was accepted by Anissa Quirk and seconded by Carol Lyons

Corresponding Secretary-Maria Curreri (not in attendance):

No report

Appointed Board Announcements:

Specialized Fundraising-Jane Zysk:

-Ongoing contest for boxtops "Warm up with Boxtops" ends 2/26

Snack Shack-there is a sign-up sheet for the next Snack Shack on 3/12

7th Grade Dance Party Hangout-2/27; taking RSVPs and seeking donations

Advocating Rights in Special Education (ARISE)-Ana Vander Woude-not in attendance and no report received

Holmdel Board of Education (HBOE)-Dennis Pavlik (not present):

Regular Business Meeting of the Holmdel Township Board of Education.

January 28,2015- 7:30 PM

•• #1- Presentation - Fall Sports All- Stars and State Championship Teams Awards- Randy Westrol, Monmouth County Freeholder - Serena Dimaso.

•• #2- PARCC Test- Grades 3rd through 11th. Students/ Parents that decide not to take the test will be placed in the Library during testing. Parents will send a letter five days prior of the test to

the Principal of the school that their child attends, stating that their child will be refusing to take the PARCC Test.

•• #3- Harassment Intimidation Bullying Report-

**Village School - 1- Case Substantiated.

**Indian Hills School - None

**Satz School - None

••High School - None

•• #4- The Board of Education approved Textbooks\Supplemental Resource Books and materials for the following grades: 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade classes.

•• #5- The Board Of Education accepted with gratitude, a Non- Monetary Donation in amount of \$60,000 from the Holmdel Foundation for Educational Excellence for the purchase of Google Chromebooks for Village School.

•• #6- Acceptance of Retirement Supervisor of Athletics, Health & Physical Education. Randy Westrol submitted a letter announcing his retirement from the Holmdel Public Schools effective July 1, 2015.

•• #7- Acceptance of Retirement High School Latin Teacher Mrs. Colleen Boueil. Effective July 1, 2015.

•• #8- The School Board approved Kierstin Burke as a Volunteer for the Softball Team, W.R .Satz School, for the 2014/2015 school year.

•• #9- Student Enrollment

Village School - 829 students

Indian Hills School- 710 students

Satz School- 529 students

High School - 957 students

Total : 3,025 students

•• 10- New Business- There was discussion whether or not it would be necessary to fill the Assistant Business Administrators position. It was decided by the full Board to continue this topic during the next Budget & Finance Committee Meeting.

Next BOE Meeting will be Wednesday February 11, 2015 at 7:30. Satz Library.

Regular Business Meeting of the Holmdel Township Board of Education.

February 11, 2015- 7:30 PM

•• #1 - Presentation- Semi Annual Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) Report Self Assessment Score Report by Eric Swenson. The School District scored 75 out of 78. 78 being the highest score. July 2014 - December 2014 Semi Annual incidents reported there was a total of 15 incidents. 8 being unsubstantiated and 7 being substantiated.

Programs in place:

*Village School- Bucket Filler

*Indian Hills School- Responsive Classroom

*Satz School- Peer Proof

* High School- Hero for Kids

•• #2- The Board approved the following Presenters for the 2014/2015 school year to conduct in-house professional development workshops in the area of Special Education (included but not limited to I.E.P training) , at a rate of \$75.00 per hour.

Presenters :

Doreen Coticelli

Amanda Colannino

Cheryl Marzigliano

Anne Dengler

•• #3 - The Board approved student trips and the educational objectives, itinerary, rules and regulations regarding these trips are on file in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools and the appropriate Principal's Office.

•• #4- The Board approve to rescind the appointment of Jennifer Scott as the schedule B Talent Show Advisor, W.R. Satz School for the 2014/2015 school year.

•• # 5- Student Enrollment:

Village School- 832 students

Indian Hills School - 711 students

Satz School- 530 students

High School- 957 students

Total Students- 3,030

•• # 6- New Business- The full School Board had a lengthy discussion on the 2015/2016 Draft School Calendar.

Next BOE Meeting will be Wednesday February 25, 2015 at 7:30. Satz Library.

Holmdel Creative Arts Association (HCAA)-Pat Geller:

-The Teacher Talent Show was very successful. Thank you to Ms. Marino and Mr. Howard for stepping in to perform at the last minute when another act could not perform.

-3/11-3/14 in the District Art Show

-3/24 District Music Concert

-3/12-3/14 HTG Winter Musical "Anything Goes"

Holmdel Alliance-Andria Wojtunik: No report

Holmdel Foundation for Educational Excellence (HFEE)-Chiung-yin Liu:

1. HFEE Poker night event took place on January 30. It was a successful fundraiser.
2. Next Fundraiser is Battle of Faculties on Thursday, March 26th at Holmdel High School. Tickets will go on sale on March 2nd at Main office of each school. There are no plans to sell any tickets at the door.
3. Mini-Grant applications are open for submission. Please visit www.HFEE.org for details. Many thanks to everyone for supporting HFEE, our schools and our children.

Closing:

-Anissa thanked Mr. Howard, Ms. Marino, Mrs. Imbro and all the parents for taking the time to come to the meeting

-She thanked Linda Jackman for setting up the Hospitality Table

-A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Carol Lyons and it was seconded by Pat Geller. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25am

****A note about our next PSG meeting-due to PARCC testing, we are moving our meeting to Monday, 3/23/15.**