

Village School PSA

May 8, 2012

Meeting Notes

Opening – Suzanne Niro

Suzanne Niro called the meeting to order at 9:40AM and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Keri Todisco and Linda Fernand accepted the March PSA meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report – Purvi Shah

See Appendix A for the treasurer's report.

Ana Vander Woude and Nicole Salzano approved the treasurer's report.

President's Report - Suzanne Niro

First, Suzanne announced that she intended to speed up the meeting because the **Teacher's Appreciation Luncheon** immediately follows the PSA Meeting.

Then she reported that the slate for the 2012/2013 PSA executive board is as follows:

- President – *Vacant*
- Vice President Communications/Membership – Lynn Saporito
- Vice President Fundraising (2 Positions) – *Vacant*
- Recording Secretary – Suzanne Gestrich
- Treasurer – Purvi Shah
- Appointed Board Liason – Darlene Kiss

The positions will be decided today and taken to the president's council on Thursday 5/10/2012.

She then took nominations for the vacant positions.

For President, Lori Umbrino nominated Dina D'Ambrosi. Darlene Kiss seconded the nomination.

There were no new nominations for Vice President of Communications/Membership. Keri Todisco seconded the nomination of Lynn Saporito.

For 1st Vice President of Fundraising, Dina D'Ambrosi nominated Debbie Brew. Linda Fernand seconded that nomination.

For 2st Vice President of Fundraising, Debbie Brew nominated Lori Umbrino. Keri Todisco seconded that nomination.

There were no new nominations for Recording Secretary. Lori Umbrino seconded the nomination of Suzanne Gestrich.

There were no new nominations for Treasurer. Dina D'Ambrosi seconded the nomination of Purvi Shah.

Suzanne then asked all those in favor to say "aye". Many responded with "aye" and Suzanne then welcomed the 2012/2013 executive board.

It was then brought to Suzanne's attention that she did not ask anyone to second the nomination of Darlene Kiss for the Appointed Board Liason position. Everyone present then seconded Darlene's nomination.

Finally, Suzanne announced that some appointed board positions were vacant. If they are not filled by the beginning of the 2012/2013 school year, they will be filled by the incoming president at that time. These positions need not be nominated.

Appointed Board Reports – Darlene Kiss and the Appointed Board

Darlene Kiss had to leave early so Suzanne Niro agreed to handle the appointed board reports.

BOE – Ana Vander Woude

Ana began by talking about school board elections. She said that anyone interested in running needs to submit a nominating petition with the signatures of ten registered voters who reside in Holmdel. All nominating petitions are due by June 5, 2012. If you have any questions, please talk to Ana.

Second, Ana spoke about the last BOE meeting which was held 4/25/2012. The highlight from this meeting is that the BOE accepted a proposal for a Local Government Energy Audit (LGEA) for approximately \$27,000.

ARISE – Ana Vander Woude

Ana had nothing new to report.

Assemblies – Danielle Curcio

Danielle was not present but she reported via Suzanne Niro that the author and illustrator, John Steven Gurney, would be coming to Village School on 6/8/2012. In addition, Danielle thanked everyone for the book orders.

Go Green – Vanessa Merhi

Vanessa was not present. However, she reported via Suzanne, that she and Tara Brunner wanted to thank everyone for their efforts during **Earth Week** (4/23-27/2012).

Historian – Cheryllee Schachel

Cheryllee was not present. She shared, by way of Suzanne, that the deadline for the memory book has passed. Therefore, she is no longer accepting photos.

Carnival – Dina D'Ambrosi and Debbie Brew

They announced that pre Carnival online sales are going well. Eighty-five families have signed up and over 150 VIP tickets were distributed. The most popular package was the \$75 one.

They also announced that they still need a few more volunteers: 5:30-7:30 is the most critical time. All volunteers will receive vouchers for a free meal.

Finally, someone asked when the baskets are due. The answer was Wednesday 5/16 or Thursday 5/17.

Sunshine – Debbie Brew

Debbie shared that for administrative professionals day, librarian day, and nurses day we gave each celebrant a thank you and Kohl's gift card.

Vice President of Communications/Membership – Lynn Saporito

Lynn shared that a few more families joined the PSA. The new membership total is 429. That number reflects 65%.

Vice President Fundraising – Michelle Prager

First, Michelle announced that **Chess** is complete. The instructor, Nickki Church, was very pleased with the children and would like to return next year. Michelle added that all the feedback she received from parents was all positive.

Second, she shared that **Tennis** will wrap up in two weeks. The last session will be 5/21/2012.

Third, Michelle spoke about *SchoolKidz* supply boxes. She expects that an eblast will go out in the next week or two. Last year orders were placed for about 100 students. The deadline for ordering will be in June.

Lastly, Michelle talked about **School Store**. The last **School Store** will be 5/19/2012. It will be for kindergarten students only. Next year the school store will carry more school spirit items.

Recording Secretary – Suzanne Gestrich

Suzanne Gestrich spoke briefly about the last PSA meeting of the 2011/2012 school year. This annual celebration meeting will be held on June 12, at 9:30AM at the Red Oak Diner. The cost is \$10. An eblast will be sent out after the carnival. Sign up via kid mail or via PayPal at **HolmdelParents.org**.

Third Grade Social - Jen Rainess

Jen shared that the Third Grade Social will be 6/15/2012 from 2:05 to 3:05PM. If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Jen.

Kindergarten Orientation/Preview – Suzanne Niro

Suzanne announced that Kindergarten Orientation will be the morning of 5/22/2012. If anyone wants to help with orientation please contact Linda Fernand.

Principal's Report – Mr. Schillaci

Mr. Schillaci opened by discussing the Kindergarten Preview/Orientation. It will be on Tuesday 5/22/2012 from 9:30-11AM in the new gym. Included is a power point presentation on kindergarten and the kindergarten curriculum, a school tour, a bus tour and light refreshments provided by the PSA.

Second, he reminded the PSA about 3 upcoming half days. They are as follows:

- 5/18/2012 – Staff Development Day and Carnival
- 5/23/2013 – Field Day and start of Memorial Day holiday
- 6/1/2013 – Initial 2012/2013 student placement discussion among teachers and staff

Third, he thanked everyone for Earth Week (4/23-27/2012), the **Teachers and Staff Appreciation Luncheon** (5/8/2012) and another wonderful year.

Jen Rainess then asked Mr. Schillaci when the advancing third graders would have Indian Hill Orientation. The response was that the kids will go (from Village) on either 5/21/2012 or 5/22/2012. On 5/29, there will be an orientation with the parents at 7PM.

Vice Principal's Report – Dr. Ledford

Dr. Ledford opened by briefly talking about NJ ASK testing. It is currently in progress. Make ups are next week. This year students received an extra recess on testing days. They loved that.

Next she talked about Naglieri testing. She explained that this is a logical reasoning test given to the second graders. It is one of many indicators used to determine if a child is a candidate for the Voyagers program.

Second graders will be given this test sometime between 5/10/2012 and 5/18/2012. It is approximately 28 problems, takes 30-40 minutes and requires the 2/3 computer lab. It is not mandatory. On the permission slip, you may opt out.

Teacher's Representative - Ms Devaney

Ms Devaney also opened with thanks. She first thanked everyone for earth week. And then on behalf of herself and the teaching staff, she shared that they were looking forward to today **Teacher Appreciation Lunch** today.

She then shared that Carnival planning, relative to previous years, has been very easy.

HFEE Chairperson – Teresa Graw

Teresa Graw, the HFEE (Holmdel Foundation for Educational Excellence) chairperson began by providing a brief overview of HFEE. In a nutshell, HFEE is a 25 member board, established more than 15 years ago that has gifted more than 1.5 million to the four district schools. For more information see the following website:

<http://www.hfee.org>

She also responded to some questions about the HFEE Rain Garden Reception on 5/31/2012 at 4:30. All those who have contributed to the HFEE are invited.

She continued by saying the HFEE meets monthly. They have a meeting tonight (5/8/2012). At this meeting they will vote on mini grants. She also said that there are 6 trustee positions open.

Finally, she talked about a program the HFEE will be sponsoring during December holiday season. The HFEE will be sponsoring a special children's performance of the *Two River Theater's - A Wind in the Willows Christmas*. The theater seats 350, and all 350 tickets will be available from the HFEE for this special performance.

If anyone has any questions Teresa asked that you contact her at:

teresagraw@gmail.com

Suzanne Niro – PSA Gifting

Suzanne talked briefly about gifting. As mentioned in earlier meetings, the 2009/2010 monies allocated for a school marquis (about \$25,000) have been reallocated for 23 projectors and screens for the classrooms.

In addition, she said that the 2011/2012 has yet to be decided. However, some ideas under discussion include funding for school field trips, good conduct stickers, and a bench for Sabrina Avellino. (Sabrina was a Village preschool student who passed away in August 2011.)

Closing

Gudrun Ronan (#8) won the attendance raffle.

The meeting was adjourned by Vin Daniele and Keri Todisco at 10:33 AM.

APPENDICES

Appendix A – Treasurer’s Report

Appendix B – Attendance

VILLAGE SCHOOL PSA – TREASURER REPORT**MAY 2012 – activity through 4/30/2012****CURRENT ASSETS**

Checking Account - Wells Fargo	\$	35,193.62
Money Market Account - Wells Fargo		12,758.57
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$	47,952.19

INCOME

2011 End Of Year Breakfast	\$	20.00
2011-2012 Student Directories		5.00
BBQ/Movie Night		1,722.75
Bingo Family Night		3,800.16
Chess		1,300.00
Go-Green		19.28
Holiday Craft Vendor Sale		254.00
Holiday Luncheon		440.32
Holiday Shoppe		14,532.47
Ladies Night Out		19,155.05
Membership		2,384.91
Original Artworks Fundraiser		8,928.25
School Store		5,459.60
SchoolKidz Kits		197.12
Skate Night		2,181.17
Small Business Fundraiser		112.60
Specialized Fundraising		2,631.10
Spiritwear		3,636.00
TNT Tennis		11,074.46
Write-a-Check Donations		1,080.00
PayPal Balance		2,177.09
Interest Income		5.58
TOTAL INCOME	\$	81,116.91

EXPENSES

2011 Gifting	\$	1,158.99
2011-2012 Gifting		20,773.42
BBQ/Movie Night		2,228.95
Bingo Family Night		3,232.30
Chess		1,764.00
Cultural Assemblies		2,552.50
Holiday Luncheon		404.92
Holiday Shoppe		12,980.83
Hospitality		172.00
Ladies Night Out		12,484.72
Original Artworks Fundraiser		6,833.00
Professional Accounting Fees/Tax Filing Fees		450.00
PSA Supplies		227.01
School Store		1,884.00
SchoolKidz Kits		197.80
Second Grade Breakfast		22.78
Skate Night		1,395.34
Spiritwear		2,556.00
Spring Carnival		3,613.00
Student Directories		1,188.00
Sunshine		144.38
Teachers' Luncheon		1,021.59
Teachers' Reimbursement		1,483.87
TNT Tennis		8,994.00
Bank Fees		381.06
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	88,144.46

PSA MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET

DATE: 5/8/2012

	NAME	E-MAIL	COMMITTEE
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