

Village School PSA

February 21, 2012

Meeting Notes

Opening – Suzanne Niro

Suzanne Niro called the meeting to order at 7:41PM and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting minutes for 1/13/2012 were passed around and approved by Linda Fernand and Dina D'Ambrosi.

Treasurer's Report – Purvi Shah

See Appendix A.

President – Suzanne Niro

Thank Yous

Suzanne began by thanking Dina D'Ambrosi and Debbie Brew for **Bingo Night**. She said they changed it up a bit this year and it went really well.

Second, Suzanne thanked Darlene Kiss and all those who volunteered to hang the **Read Across America** hats in the Village school hallways.

Third, she thanked Terri Ferguson and all those who volunteered for the **Bus Safety Drill** on 1/18/2012. Terri was a little short on volunteers so Suzanne hopes more people will volunteer for the final Bus safety Drill in the spring.

Fourth, Suzanne asked for a big round of applause for Nicole Salzano and Sandra Szilasi for their work on the **Box Tops for Education** contest.

2012/13 PSA Boards

Suzanne stated that we need a nominating committee for next year's PSA board. Specifically, we need two executive board members and three people from the appointed board positions or general membership. If anyone is interested please contact Suzanne Niro.

For the 2012/13 school year, there are three open positions on the seven member executive board. They are president and two vice presidents of fundraising. Nomination forms are available on the head table. (See Appendix B.)

There are also numerous open positions on the appointed board.

Upcoming Event Skate Night

Suzanne announced that Skate Night would be held on 3/23/2012. It is a family fun night and not a fundraiser.

Vice President Membership/Communications – Lynn Saporito

Lynn began by saying that we picked up 17 new PSA members at **Bingo Night**. This brings our total to 309.

She also said that we have over 100 fans on *Facebook*.

Finally she reminded all to use the PSA website, **Holmdelparents.org**.

Vice President Fundraising – Michelle Prager

Michelle opened saying that the school store, to be held 2/23/2012, would be selling Mardi Gras beads for \$1. Second, she discussed **T&T Tennis**. It will run on Mondays for 8 weeks beginning on 3/19/2012 and ending on 5/21/2012. The cost is \$120 and there is a discount for multiple kids.

Vice President Fundraising – Michelle Sottile

Michelle reported on the calendar raffle held at each of the two Bingo Nights. At the first, the PSA earned \$155 and at the second, the PSA earned \$90.

Appointed Boards/ Darlene Kiss and Board Members

BOE/ARISE – Ana Vander Woude

Ana was absent.

Carnival – Dina D'Ambrosi

Dina opened by asking all to save the date for the carnival. It is 5/18/2012.

She then described the carnival for all those who have never attended. She also highlighted some new additions such as a photo booth, face painting, airbrush tattoos, clowns selling balloons etc...

Lastly, she said they would offer incentives to buy game tickets in advance.

Bingo Night – Debbie Brew

Debbie stated that Bingo Night was a tremendous success. On the first night, there were 200 attendees and on the second, there were 235.

Specialized Fundraising/Box tops for Education – Sandra Szilasi

Sandra opened by saying that 32,000 boxtops were received for the **box tops popsicle pajama party contest**. That means that Village will receive a check for \$3,200 by May.

The winners of the contest are as follows:

- Kindergarten AM – Ms. Devaney
- Kindergarten PM – Ms. Devaney
- 1st Grade – Ms. Redding
- 2nd Grade – Ms. Gramcko
- 3rd Grade – Mrs. Klinger

She also noted that 4 classes brought in over 2,000 box tops.

Purvi Shah (Treasurer) chimed in that she recently deposited \$151 received from box top collections in the fall.

Cultural Assemblies – Danielle Curcio

Danielle was not present, however, she texted her report to Darlene Kiss who shared it with the PSA.

On June 7th we will have an assembly with the author/illustrator John Steven Gurney. He is the author and illustrator of *Dinosaur Train* and is the illustrator for the popular series' *Bailey School Kids Mysteries*, and the *A to Z Mysteries*.

Spirit Wear – Darlene Kiss

Darlene displayed the few remaining spirit wear items and encouraged everyone to buy them.

HFEE – Michelle Sottile

Michelle reminded everyone about the **Sands of Time** dinner dance fundraiser to be held on 3/10/2012. She also informed everyone that she is selling 50/50 tickets for this event. If anyone is interested, they can contact her.

HCAA – Tammi Stanziale

Tammi was not present but she forwarded her report to Darlene Kiss. Through Darlene, Tammi thanked everyone who came out to see **Alice in Wonderland**. Second, she said that she is working with the carnival committee to try to get some of the high school kids to volunteer for the carnival. (However, there is a conflict. The junior prom is that night as well.) Third, she said there would be a high school art show 3/15/2012-3/17/2012. Fourth, the high school will be presenting **Once Upon a Mattress** which is geared for an Indian Hill Audience. Information will be forthcoming.

Carnival Date Conflicts – Suzanne Niro

Suzanne continued to share her dissatisfaction with other district functions being scheduled on the date/rain date of the Village Carnival. On May 18th there is the Junior Prom, a half day, and the Indian Hill Spring play. On June 1st (rain date) there is a half day and High School actors' showcase.

Principal's Report – Mr. Schillaci

Mr. Schillaci opened by saying we had a preschool information session two weeks ago. If anyone is interested, check the district website. Similarly, we are holding Kindergarten registration this week.

He then talked briefly about **Study Island**, which currently only impacts the third grade students. He described it as an assessment tool that uses technology. It is computer based and used both at school and at home. In the future, **Study Island** will be utilized by the K-2 students as well. Their respective teachers will be trained in March.

Finally, Mr. Schillaci talked about a Marine who served in Afghanistan. Earlier, students at district schools collected provisions for this marine, who is the son in law of a nurse at Satz. Recently, this marine visited Village. He went class to class in full uniform and entertained questions from the students. The visit was an extraordinary experience and was well received by both students and staff.

Vice Principal's Report – Dr. Ledford

Dr. Ledford began by talking about **Read Across America** which runs from 2/27/2012-3/2/2012. On 2/28/2012, Heroes (military, fire, police, EMT) are coming to read. Each class will be visited by two heroes. On 2/29/2012 the children are encouraged to wear literary character t-shirts or to dress up as their favorite literary characters. (Can you confirm this? I thought she said that we will no longer be doing the character shirts?) And on Friday 3/2/2012, school board members are coming to read and there will be an assembly.

Second, on behalf of the absent teachers representatives (Christine Barbara and Kara Devaney), she thanked those volunteers who hung the "Cat in the Hat" hats in the hallways.

Third, she spoke briefly about NJ PASS. This standardized test impacts second graders and will be given 3/26/2012-3/29/2012. A letter will be going out to parents the following week. She added that NJ PASS is a precursor to NJ ASK (third grade).

Fourth, she talked about **Jump Rope for Heart** which was held on 2/10/2012. This year Village raised \$21,000. She thanked all the physical education teachers and everyone that contributed.

Finally, she shared some staff news:

- Mrs. Vaccarino (1st Grade) returned from maternity leave
- Mrs. Plocinski (Art) returned from maternity leave
- Ms Savare (2nd Grade) left for maternity leave and had a baby girl
- Mrs. Steele had a baby boy
- Mrs. Antoniotti had a baby girl

Guest Speakers from Lice Lifters - Julie Stolker, Cynthia Wellington

See Appendix C.

Also see:

<http://www.licelifters.com/>

Closing

The meeting was adjourned by Darlene Kiss and Michelle Sottile at 8:50PM.

Welcomed guest speakers, Julie Stolker of Licelifters.com

Raffle winner: Sandra Szilasi

APPENDICES

Appendix A – Treasurer’s Report

Appendix B – PSA Executive Board Nomination Form

Appendix C – Lice Lifters

Appendix D – Attendance

VILLAGE SCHOOL PSA - TREASURER'S REPORT

FEBRUARY 2012 - activity through 01/31/12

CURRENT ASSETS

Checking Account - Wells Fargo	\$ 32,424.48
Money Market Account - Wells Fargo	12,757.00

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS

\$ 45,181.48

INCOME

2011 End Of Year Breakfast	\$ 20.00
2011-2012 Student Directories	5.00
BBQ/Movie Night	1,722.75
Bingo Family Night	717.00
Holiday Craft Vendor Sale	254.00
Holiday Luncheon	440.32
Holiday Shoppe	14,532.47
Ladies Night Out	18,326.75
Membership	1,350.00
Original Artworks Fundraiser	8,928.25
School Store	3,159.60
SchoolKidz Kits	197.12
Small Business Fundraiser	112.60
Specialized Fundraising	2,381.10
Spiritwear	3,618.00
TNT Tennis	6,150.00
Write-a-Check Donations	910.00
PayPal Balance	2,613.50
Interest Income	4.52

TOTAL INCOME

\$ 65,442.98

EXPENSES

2011 Gifting	\$ 1,158.99
2011-2012 Gifting	20,773.42
BBQ/Movie Night	2,228.95
Bingo Family Night	1,132.36
Cultural Assemblies	2,552.50
Holiday Luncheon	404.92
Holiday Shoppe	12,980.83
Hospitality	131.72
Ladies Night Out	12,484.72
Original Artworks Fundraiser	6,720.85
Professional Accounting Fees/Tax Filing Fees	450.00

PSA Supplies	32.91
School Store	1,321.50
SchoolKidz Kits	197.80
Spiritwear	2,556.00
Spring Carnival	600.00
Student Directories	1,188.00
Teachers' Luncheon	1,021.59
Teachers' Reimbursement	1,460.20
TNT Tennis	5,034.00
Bank Fees	373.06
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 74,804.32

* 2011/2012 Gifting:

mat, laminator

Steps to Literacy

Field Trips' subsidy

Teacher Reimbursement

BBQ Income	1,722.75
BBQ Expense	2,228.95
	<u>(506.20)</u>

LNO Income	18,326.75
LNO Expense	12,484.72
	<u>5,842.03</u>

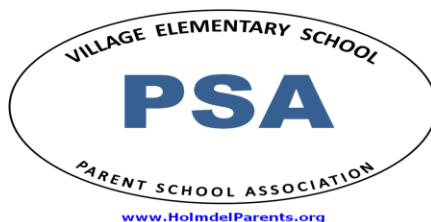
Holiday Shoppe Income	14,532.47
Holiday Shoppe Expense	12,980.83
	<u>1,551.64</u>

Original Artworks Income	8,928.25
Original Artworks Expense	6,720.85
	<u>2,207.40</u>

Spiritwear Income	3,618.00
Spiritwear Expense	2,556.00
	<u>1,062.00</u>

TNT Tennis Income	6,150.00
TNT Tennis Expense	5,034.00
	<u>1,116.00</u>

Bingo Income	717.00
Bingo Expense	1,132.36
	<u>(415.36)</u>



February 2012

Dear Village School Parents:

It's time for the Village School PSA to ask for volunteers for the 2012-2013 school year. We need current Village School parents to volunteer to take the place of our "graduating" volunteers. To be an elected officer you must be available to attend monthly daytime meetings that are held at 9:30 AM on the second Tuesday of each month. To volunteer for an appointed position you should be available to attend most PSA meetings, although some positions do not require regular attendance at our monthly meetings.

The Executive Board of the PSA has elected a Nominating Committee whose charge will be to submit to the Board a slate of Executive Officers for the 2012-2013 school year at the April PSA meeting. The committee's responsibility will be to nominate the most qualified candidate for each office. This proposed slate of officers would then be voted on by the PSA membership in the May meeting.

If you are interested in submitting your name for an ELECTED position, please complete this form and return it to the PSA mailbox, which is located in the main office at Village School. Please return it no later than Friday, March 30, 2012 in a sealed envelope clearly labeled PSA NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at PSAPresident@live.com.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Niro
PSA President

NAME: _____
 Child's Name and Grade Next Year: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Email: _____

ELECTED OFFICERS (Please check the position(s) you wish to be considered for in order of preference):

_____ President	_____ 1st Vice President
_____ 2nd Vice President (2 Positions)	_____ Recording Secretary
_____ Corresponding Secretary	_____ Treasurer

How to do a visual head check

- Check clean dry hair in sunlight or bright indoor light
- Inspect small sections of hair 1/4" - 2" from the scalp
- Look for tiny unmovable teardrop shaped nits on hair shaft (see below)
- If found treat properly and tell school, friends & family to check
- Check weekly until college

How to do a combing head check - For a more thorough search

(This is the best way to check if you have a metal micro-grooved nit comb)

- Damp or towel dried hair free of tangles
- Section hair by clipping hair on top of the head leaving 3-4" of hair down in the back of the head at the nape of the neck
- Start combing with the metal micro-grooved nit comb by gently scraping the comb along the scalp and dragging the comb all the way to the end of the hair shaft
- Wipe the comb clean on a white paper towel after every few strokes of the comb
- Inspect paper towel for nits or lice (see below)
- Let the next 3-4" of hair down. Continue combing and wiping the comb on the paper towel
- Complete the combing throughout the head. (takes 10-15 minutes)
- If found treat properly and tell school, friends & family to check
- Check weekly until college

If you find even 1 nit, you need to...

- ⇒ Treat properly using the effective products (be wary of OTC products that contain pesticides. Lice have grown resistant to the pesticides.)
- ⇒ We recommend LouseBuster™ treatment a revolutionary way to kill nits or The Nit Nanny® Lice Solution Treatment & The Nit Nanny® metal micro-grooved Nit Comb
- ⇒ Launder (just dryer on hot for 30 minutes, vacuum or put aside what is necessary. Lice do not burrow or live long off the head.
- ⇒ Communicate with your community, car pools, play dates, school, family & friends
- ⇒ Relax! Lice have been around a long time & you will get rid of them.

Facts of Lice

Lice can live up to 30 days on a host. They lay 3-5 nits at a time, which they do twice a day and they can eat 5-6 times daily. It takes 7-10 days for the nits to hatch. Once hatched, it takes another 7-10 days when they go through 3 stages of nymph before they mature. One male louse fertilizes a female once and she is fertile for life. A louse will lay at least 3 nits right away in a new host. She may survive and lay many nits or die leaving just 3 viable nits behind. Very rarely will a louse leave the host unless there is head to head contact or their environment is disturbed, like during treatment.

Prevention tips

- Wear hair up in braids, gathered ponytails, buns (narrow the target)
- Never share brushes, hair accessories, hats, helmets, and towels
- Communicate if you have lice
- Do regular head checks until your kids go to college

LiceLifters® Treatment Center | Lafayette Hill, PA

PSA MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET

DATE: 2/21/2012 evening meeting

Raffle winner

	NAME	E-MAIL	COMMITTEE
1.	Debbie Brew		
2.	Dina D'Ambrosi		
3.	Donna Gesluk		
*4.	Sandra Salasi	sandrahuo@mac.com	Box tops/Hospitality
5.	Linda Fernandez		Hospitality
6.	Pennis Pavlik		
7.	Jennifer Landell	jennifer_landella@hotmail.com	
8.	GUERUN RONAN	JERNEER@yahoo.com	
9.	Desiree Piccarelli	mcpdpm@verizon.net	Plant sales
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