

Minutes of October 14, 2014 Meeting of
Village Elementary School Parent School Association-PSA

PSA President Vicky Flynn calls the meeting to order.

Vicky thanked all bus safety volunteers with the mandatory drill this morning immediately prior to the meeting.

Principal's Report from Mr. Schillachi

Mr. Schillachi reminded parents about upcoming parent-teacher conferences, which will take place on the following half days, November 21, November 24, and November 25. There will also be evening conferences available on November 18 and November 24. Teachers will send pre-conference reminders to the parents.

Village also has a half-day of school on November 26, the day before Thanksgiving.

All Holmdel Schools will be closed on November 6-7 for New Jersey Teachers' Convention.

The Halloween Parade will take place outside on the soccer fields. There will be two parades – one in the morning and one in the afternoon. If it rains that day, however, the parade will be cancelled.

Parents intending to pick-up their child(ren) immediately following the Parade must send in a note in advance. Parents will meet their child(ren) for dismissal from the New Gym.

Vice-Principal's Report from Mrs. Vierschilling

Mrs. Vierschilling thanked all PSA volunteers who assisted with the Week of Respect at school.

She reported that this morning's first bus safety/evacuation drill went smoothly. If anyone is interested in assisting with the next drill, note that it will be held on the morning of April 14, immediately before the monthly PSA meeting. Safety procedures will be reviewed, including exiting from the back of the bus. Mrs. Vierschilling thanked Katie Evans and Jen Reddy in particular for their efforts in coordinating the bus safety volunteers and handling the bus safety initiative program. Mrs. Vierschilling reminded parents to review bus safety rules at home with your children.

Due to recent maternity leaves, Mrs. Vierschilling also reported that there are three new teachers in the third grade and one new teacher in the first grade.

Teacher Representative Report

Mrs. Renfroe reported that the Teachers' Luncheon was excellent.

She also commented that the students have well enjoyed the games that have been donated to the classrooms this year.

She reported much positive feedback regarding the Box Tops contest this year and the Traveling Trophy incentive award. She also said that there is positive feedback from staff and students

regarding the Kindergarten Meet and Greet, and particularly the band who entertained the students there.

The PSA has 100% membership from teachers at this early time in the year and 90% from the staff as a whole.

Reports of the Executive Board

Vicky Flynn-President

Vicky thanked all Executive and Appointed Board Members, especially Laura Shay, for all help this year thus far. She added a special thank you to Suzanne Serini for her assistance with the successful Trunk or Treat event.

She announced that the last day to register for the School Directory is October 15.

She hopes to see everyone at Ladies Night Out.

Michelle Sottile-VP Membership

Michelle announced that there is currently 53% PSA membership based upon the number of students at Village. This year, she has sent you an email confirmation if you have sent membership payment via “kidmail.” The first class in each grade to achieve 100% PSA membership will win a party, courtesy of the PSA. The current leaders are:

K AM: Mrs. Campbell – 74%

K PM Mrs. Varga- 67%

1st Gr. Mrs. Vaccarino -68%

2nd Gr. Mr. Braun -76%

3rd Gr. Miss Adelong – 68%

The winner of the PSA \$350 gift card for early membership is: the Sottile Family. Mr. Schillaci randomly drew the name of the winning family, and AnnMarie Harrison made the announcement.

Danielle Impreveduto-VP Communications

Danielle reminded parents to view the weekly e-blasts sent out every Friday before relevant events at Village. Parents should also “like” the PSA’s page on Facebook.

Tammi Stanziale-Treasurer

Tammi stated that the Treasurer’s Report has been distributed for review. If there are any questions about the report, please see Tammi.

Paula Blalock-VP Fundraising

Paula needs volunteers to help with Ladies Night Out. If you are available to help bring baskets to the event or help wrap baskets, please sign the volunteer sheet circulating around the room.

AnnMarie Harrison-Secretary

AnnMarie asked for a motion to adopt the minutes from the September 9, 2014 PSA Meeting. Janice Peretti made a motion to adopt the minutes, and Denise Kline seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted.

Reports of the Appointed Board

Suzanne Serini

Suzanne reported that the Trunk or Treat was successful and thanked her committee for their efforts. She also is working on other Village events at Let's Yo in Holmdel as well as another Skate Night, both of which will take place within the next couple of months.

Vanessa Merhi

Vanessa reported that almost fifty families have signed up for the chess program.

Also, for the Go Green program, be mindful about packing wisely for Waste-Free Wednesdays. Pack lunches in reusable containers.

If you are still looking to donate Halloween costumes, there is a box in the school lobby for donations.

Janice Peretti

Over 7,000 Box Tops were collected last month. The Traveling Trophy Program is getting rave reviews from the classes thus far. Remember to place your "bonus" Box Tops on separate collection sheets.

Jennifer Reddy

Jennifer announced that next week is Red Ribbon Week, which will focus on communicating to students nationwide ways to love themselves, to be healthy, and to stay substance- and drug-free. This year, there will also be a national decorating contest. Every class will participate by making a banner. The school with the best banner will win \$1,000.00.

Tonya Romano

Tonya is looking for photos for the yearbook from any Village events that have taken place this Fall. She is available to help with uploading them.

Vicki Flynn also spoke in favor of supporting all events at the other schools within the District. See the Agenda distributed for a list of those events and their respective dates.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 am.

PSS Meeting
Attendance Sheet
October 14, 2014

Thank you for attending today's meeting. Please
number and sign below.

1. Alison Bailey
2. Tonya Romano
3. Gabriella Pettinato
4. Meagan Rodgers
5. Natali Klotzka
6. Debbie Brew
7. Susan Hammer
8. Jaime Hynes
9. Suzanne Serin.
10. Christina Arella.
11. Samantha Scagnello
12. Jen Paulino
13. Debbie Traynon
14. Laura Shay
15. Janice Petretti
16. Lauren Teevan
17. April Camarda
18. Kathleen Pellicore
19. Vanessa Merhi
20. Michelle Boeke
21. Jennifer Burden
22. Denise Kline
23. Kate Evans
24. Carly Apicelb
25. Ann Marie Hausen
26. Paula Blalock

