## PLG Minutes/September 11, 2015

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance. Fire exits noted

## Dr. Tali Axelrod, Principal

- Welcome Back everyone and welcome new parents
- If you are not receiving e-mails from Dr. Axelrod, please call the main office 732-946-1045
- Daily morning announcements are posted on-line each day (holmdelschools, org)
- 9 new staff members were hired
- Welcome: Brittany Frank, Bethany Reichwein, Stephanie Pereira and Danielle Murphy (4th), July Rodriguez (Spanish), Stefania Kessaris, Renee Pecarific, Haley Scott (Music), Kailyn Fitzsimmons (Spec Ed 6th), Alba Wagar (spanish), Deborah Rothermund (G&T) and Erin Damji (Technology Coach)

Congratulations: Beth Catania (birth of Nicholas), Marie Melillo (expecying January), Katie Frank (expecting Oct), Meredith Thomas (expecting (Oct). Lisa Buerck, Maria Donnelly and Heidi O'Rourke (tenure)

- New literacy Coach was hired
- IH now has 3 new laptop carts w/78 Chromebooks
- Mrs. Damji will now be working with IH on Technology

#### Mr. Ferrarese, Assistant Principal

- Welcome Back everyone and welcome new parents
- Safety is paramount. No morning activities start before 8:10 am. Please do not drop your child off prior to the start of their activity. there is no one to monitor the students.
- Please ensure your child uses the cross walks at all times.
- All early pick-ups must be prior to 2:45. Send is a note with your child, please do not call the office.
- Regular pick-up is 3:35 in the cafeteria.
- At dismissal, the students will now find cones labeled with bus numbers to ensure they can easily find their busses.

#### Dina D'Ambrosi, President

- Volunteer sign up sheets were passed around. If you could not make the meeting but want to sign up. Please contact Dina at plgpresident1@gmail.com
- HCAA (Holmdel Creative Arts Assoc) membership forms were also passed around. HCAA Karaoke Night is 10/24
- The Spirit wear deadline is 10/1. Forms were distributed.
- Reminder. Sign up for student directory ASAP.
- Thank you: Nicole Kennedy for the first ever (and very successful) School Supplies List, Laur Bachmann and Tara Lagana for organizing every monthly breakfast along with the Teachers Luncheon.

#### **Deb Brew and Lori Umbrino, Fundraising**

- Mixed Bag is back! 45% goes back to Indian Hill. Forms are in the Back To School packet
- PLG cards are now \$5, they will expire in December. New cards will be out in November. Check out all of the great discounts, Houlihans, Jersey Mikes, Cracked Olive and Hazlet Pharmacy (to name a few).
- Guys Night Out. Thursday, November 12th. Casino Night. The Thursday night NFL game will be on. Last year, with the proceeds, PLG donated 8 Brand new games to each class room. To be used during indoor recess.

## Susan Hammer, Membership

- IH is at 24% membership (as of 9/11/14).
- Sign up is \$10 and you can pay via payola online or send in via kidmail. Checks made out to PLG.
- You must be a member at EACH school and register separately.
- Benefits include, help with cultural development, classroom projectors, educational software, member only events (Bingo) and much more.
- The Home Room with the most members get a surprise call basket.

#### Jen Reddy. Communications

- Make sure you are enrolled to receive e-blasts from IH's PLG. Information about IH will be posted first followed by Community news.
- Please let Jen know if you are receiving duplicate e-mails
- All e-blasts go out Sunday nights

## Mr. Tom Woods, Teacher Representative

- Thanked the PLG for the Teachers Back To School goodie bags. They were very much appreciated
- Thanked the PLG for the donation of all tissue and wipes. Teachers can request additional wipes or tissues at any point during the school year.
- A new math series is being introduced. envisions. There is extensive on-line help accessible to all parents and students.

## Career Day 2016

- Looking for a new Chairman. This person will have tons of help and support. Consider co-chairing with a friend.

#### Roman Master. Treasurer. (Not in attendance)

- Report Attached

#### School Store. Vasilia Loucopoulos

- 1st Friday of every month. 9/11/15 was first school store. Please contact Vasilia Loucopoulos if you would like to volunteer at <a href="mailto:betsykl11@aol.com">betsykl11@aol.com</a>

## Red Ribbon Week. Vasilia Loucopoulos

- Week of 10/19
- All activities will take place during the students lunch periods. A notice will come home with all activities scheduled for the week. i.e. whacky sock day, wear red day, etc.
- Students will be writing letter to the Holmdel HS juniors and seniors telling them why they should not do drugs.

#### Teachers Luncheon. Laura Bachmann and Tara Lagana

- Luncheon is Wed, 9/16. Looking for drink and dessert donations. Please drop off desserts on Wednesday morning to the main office and drinks at any point prior to Wed. Email Tara at <a href="tkzeal@aol.com">tkzeal@aol.com</a>

## Box Tops.

- Please keep collecting and send them in via kid mail marked Boxed Tops, with your childs' name and HR listed.
- Home Room with most box tops gets a special prize

#### Chess. Vanessa Murhi

- Every Friday after school. Run by Nikki Church. 8 week session. Beginners welcome

# Anna VanderWoode, ARISE. Support Group for parents of children with special needs

- Oct 27th 1st meeting at 6:30 at HHS
- Check out the ARISE website

#### Nicole Kennedy. HFEE

- Gala will be 4/9/16 at the Navesink Country club
- 2/5 is Poker Night
- Battle of the Faculties is 3/16

## Holiday Shop. Erika Roth

- w/o December 7

#### Snack Days. Erika Roth

- 9/22 will be the first snack day. Need volunteers from 9:45-12:30
- Please contact Erika Roth at marcier@yahoo.com

## PTSO. Pres, Karen Strickland.

- Come support all of the schools at the 1st Annual Colorfest on Saturday 10/24. There is a weeks long of events starting with Village Schools Ladies Night out on 10/22.

#### Historian Needed.

- -Someone to take Pics at al IH events. Looking for a committee of people to take pics.
- Contact Dina if interested, plgpresident1@gmail.com