# PSG Meeting April 18, 2015

# **Opening:**

- Anissa welcomed everyone and pointed out the emergency exits. She asked that all cell phones be silenced.
- Anissa thanked Linda Jackman for coordinating the great breakfast and all of the teachers and staff for sponsoring the food.
- Anissa explained that a folder would be passed around during the meeting. The folder contains an attendance sheet for today's meeting along with sign-up sheets for upcoming events.
- The Treasurer's report for March and March's Meeting Minutes were distributed. Anissa requested that everyone please review while listening and a motion was made at the end of the meeting to accept the report and the minutes.
  - Anissa stated the PSG Mission Statement:
    - To support the students and & staff of the W.R. Satz School and to enhance the educational experiences of the students.

# **Students Of The Month Presentations**

Congratulations to the following students: Team Integrity: Ethan Joffe Team Triumph: William Schullich Team Pride: Carine Gallo Team Victory: Patty Frees Team Honor: Ethan Hodges

# Principal's Report, Mr. Howard

- There will be a student assembly on 5/17 given by Paul Stewart on Disability Awareness and Empowerment. The presentation will be in the afternoon. Details to follow.

- PARCC begins the week of 4/25. All testing will be in the morning with the exception of Wednesday when students will be tested in the AM and the PM. Lunches need to be rearranged due to timing, the 7<sup>th</sup> period students will be eating during 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> period in the gym. Tables will be set up to ensure a smooth and easy lunch.

- The Girl Scouts are doing a collection for the SPCA and flyers will be distributed shortly.

- A plaque was made in honor of Dr. William Satz and will be placed in the main entrance.

### Vice Principal's Report, Mrs. Gazia

- Thanked the PSG for the beautiful flowers for Assistant Principal Appreciation Day.

- As the weather gets warmer, Mrs. Gazia reminded the parents of the dress code.

- Mrs. Gazia handed out an article on apps that all parents should be on the lookout for. Apps that actually hide "other" apps and photos stored on smart phones. Mr. Howard will include the article in the next bulletin.

### Teacher Representative, Mrs. Imbro

- The eighth grade Voyagers have been hard at work preparing their entry for the Toshiba/NSTA ExploraVision competition. Students from across the United States and Canada participate in this fun and engaging program that can inspire a lifelong love of science, technology and innovation. For this competition, groups of students pick a current technology, research it, envision what it might look like in 20 years, and describe the development steps, pros & cons, and obstacles.

- We are excited to share that one Voyager team has earned the distinction of being awarded Honorable Mention. The students are Caitlin Wang and Jeffrey Luk, and their team name is "The Cobblers". The will be receiving an ExploraVision certificate and a small prize.

- Satz Talent Show is Wednesday night this week! (April 20th) 7:00 in the HS auditorium! \$5 for students and seniors and \$7 for adults. It will be a great show. Please come out and support these talented young adults!

# PSG, President- Anissa Quirk

- The PSG would like to wish all of our students "good luck" as they take their PARCC tests next week. We have received clearance from Mr. Howard and the Nurse to give each student a couple of rolls of Smarties candies – since we think 'there's no one smarter than them' – the nurse will send out an e-blast to parents alerting them and if they do not want their student receiving one, they should advise the nurse and the nurse will alert the Homeroom Teacher.

- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon - May 18th - Sponsorship Program

We have started to plan for our teacher luncheon. Cracked Olive will be catering the luncheon. Our sponsorship program has proven successful for parents as a way to contribute. We try to make it easy - rather than dropping off food, we will purchase everything and if you'd like to make a donation, we will display your family name in a beautiful frame for all the teachers and staff to see. Please consider donating to this wonderful event.

### PSG, VP, Fundraising -- Lori Umbrino

Sports Recycling Drive – thank you to all who donated sports equipment and to the student and parent volunteers who helped work the sale – we had all sports represented – we made a little over \$200. Everything we didn't sell will be donated to our Clothing Drive company – so it's a 'win-win' for us!
Spring Clothing Drive – thank you to everyone who donated to our Clothing Drive this past week. Pick up for the clothes is scheduled tomorrow. We will let you know how we do in terms of weight and amount earned.

Spring Picture Day at Satz – scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup> – this is a fundraiser for the school - we receive \$2 per student who sits to take a picture so spread the word to all the students; you don't have to purchase the pictures, just sit for one.
Satz Snack Shack – continues to be a hit with the students – cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc.; all items sold cheaply between 50 cents and \$1.50; See the sign-up sheet in the orange folder if you'd like to help out with our upcoming dates.

- *Spiritwear* – Since we received such positive feedback from Community Members on the Straight Outta Holmdel red t-shirt, we reproduced the shirt in Holmdel Blue – we sold some at Community Day and some were at the meeting. We will be taking orders from the community until Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. If you're interested, they are \$12. We have some displayed here. We have decided as an Executive Board that we will be taking orders in the fall for our signature 'H' sweatshirts and possibly other new apparel items in the Fall.

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation DVD – the PSG has arranged for the recording of the graduation ceremony. Thomas Falcone of VIP Video Illusion has done this for us the last two years and does a beautiful job. The cost of the DVD is \$20. Look for order forms the first week of May.

- *Green Initiatives* – Shoebox Recycling Program and Teracycle Beauty Products – these programs are doing well – keep sending us your old shoes and empty beauty products containers – we will be redeeming our points for the Terracycle program this month; both programs will continue over the summer so keep sending us your shoes and empty beauty containers.

# Carolyn Zolfchak, Membership

- No updates.

# Purvi Shah, PSG Treasurer

- The Treasurer's report was distributed and is available upon request. Balance as of 3/30/16 was \$12,639.

#### Nominating Committee - Maria Curreri, Chair Person

Announcement of 2016-2017 Slate of Executive Board Officers. Anissa thanked Maria for leading this group and the time and effort she has committed to putting the best slate together for next year. With no additional volunteers from the audience, the proposed 2016/2017 slate is as follows: Anissa Quirk, President Lori Umbrino VP, Fundraising Erika Roth, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Fundraising Jenn Rainess, Recording Secretary Purvi Shah, Treasurer Darlene Kiss, Corresponding Secretary Terri Ferguson, VP, Membership

### Michelle Sottile, HFEE

- The Gala was a huge success. Everyone had a great time! Exact dollars are not yet confirmed but it looks like over \$110K was made this year to help support the Indian Hill Chromebook 1:1 initiative.

- June 5<sup>th</sup> is the 5K. 8:45 is the Kids Run and 9:30 is the Adults Run.

#### HCAA, Pat Gellar

- The Satz Talent Show will be held on: Wednesday, April 20th, at 7:00pm in the High School Auditorium. Doors open at 6:30pm. Tickets will be sold at the door. \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors. Enjoy an entertaining night out with family and friends and support your classmates by attending the Satz Talent Show! See you there!

- HCAA Photo Contest **ends April 29th** so get your pictures in soon! Submit your entry in digital form with the subject line "HCAA Photo Contest", as an attachment, to the following email <u>HCAAphoto@gmail.com.</u> All entries must include the following information: student name, school, grade, parents email, student email optional. All entries must have a title for the photo and only one submission will be accepted. Must be in jpeg format and less than 3 MB in size. There will be one grand prize winner and one winner from each school. Special guest judges are Peter Dant and Danny Sanchez. **Correction:** The HHS Film Festival will be held in the HS auditorium on Friday,

April 29th at 7pm. Admission is free and doors will open at 6:30.

Correction: IH will present High School Musical on May 4th and 5th.

#### ARISE, Ana VanderWoude

- Will report at May's PSG meeting.

#### Holmdel Board of Education, Dennis Pavlik

- Will report at May's PSG meeting.

#### Closing, Anissa Quirk

- Anissa thanked Mr. Howard, Mrs. Gazia and Mrs. Imbro for taking the time to come to our meeting.

- Thanks again to Linda Jackman and the Satz staff for the breakfast and setting up the hospitality table.

- Thank you to all of you who came to today's meeting. The next PSG Meeting will be on Monday, 5/16/16.