William R. Satz Parent Support Group (“PSG”) Meeting

February 23, 2018

* Jenn Rainess called the meeting to order/pointed out emergency exits.
* Mr. Howard lead the meeting in The Pledge of Allegiance.

Student of the Month Recognition Program:

Team Pride: Isabella Ji

Team Triumph: Farida Moustafa

Team Honor: Izabella Dematos

Team Victory: Nick DiBlasi

Team Integrity: Laina Yiu

* Student Presentation:

Given by: Andrew Eng

Andrew did an enrichment project on cells for Science Class (Ms. Abrams Science teacher)

The presentation topic was: Where did the first cell come from?

* Jenn Rainess thanked Linda Ferdinand for the wonderful breakfast that she set up.
* Mr. Howard: W. R. Satz One Read: March 2018 – reading initiative is going to start. PSG provided for each student a copy of the book “Eleven”. In reading a text together as a school, we hope to promote a sense of community and support. The book is about the events surrounding September 11, 2001. The author will be coming for a visit to Satz in April 2018.
* Mr. Howard went over in very great detail the results of the PARCC exam. The information about Satz is available on the NJ School Performance Summary Report. Mr. Howard explained that it is important that your child’s scores should be consistently growing. Please email Mr. Howard if you have any questions regarding the exam/scores.

April 16- April 20 PARCC Testing

April 23- April 27 PARCC Make-ups

There are practice tests available on line for PARCC also you can see questions from last year’s PARCC test.

parcconline.org/assessments/parcc-released-items

Parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/

* Dr. McGarry was not in attendance , he had a county wide meeting on school security.
* Mr. Howard will be meeting with the police department for school safety.
* Mrs. Simonelli
  + Cell Phone Use!!! Cellphones should be away during the school day. In the locker or in a backpack. Causing distraction with the students. If your child needs to use or check his/her cellphone during the day- please go to the front office.
  + REMINDER for parents calling in student absence. Please provide the First and Last name and homeroom teacher if possible.

Mrs. Imbro:

* Mrs. Flynn has 40 players so far for the community game- goes live on March 1st
* Theme for 8th grade dance is “A Night in NYC”
* March 27, 2018 is the 8th grade fair.

Jenn Rainess:

* Spring Vineyard Vines Fundraiser: Light Blue T-Shirts from mid-march- April. To be delivered in June.

Membership:

* Thank you Terri Ferguson !!!! $700 made from selling concessions at 6 home basketball boy/girl games.

\*\*\*\*\* Approval of the monthly budget and minutes from last meeting.

Lori Umbrino:

* Very Successful Clothing Drive- $1100
* Start getting items together for our spring drive!!!
* Tricky Tray- March 8th- any donations are GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!
* The Wizards will be coming January 2019!
* Always ongoing – beauty brigade/shoe recycling/BoxTops

HFEE:

* Almost Reached $50,000 annual giving goal!!!!
* Opened up some more tables for the sold-out gala- please contact if you are interested in attending.

HCAA:

* Comedy Night 3/16/2018

HBOE:

* Next Meeting February 28th, 2018

Meeting ended @ 10:31 am

Next meeting tentatively March 19th, 2018

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