



Salk/MacArthur PTSA General Meeting Minutes, March 1, 2016

Margaret Costa started the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Pledge

Quorum established.

Treasurer's Report: motion made by Adrian Nowak to approve the minutes, seconded by Eileen Petruzzo.

Treasurer's Report approved.

Minutes from February meeting: Motion made by Adrian Nowak to accept the minutes, seconded by Regina Costa.

Minutes approved as written.

Principal's Report: Mr. Zampaglione, Salk

- Opt-out letters need to be in as soon as possible to help plan the logistics of where children will be located. This year there are reduced questions, and also unlimited time to take them, so they need to factor in where to seat the children, which will most likely be in the Gym & Cafeteria. Testing will take place from 8:00-10:00 a.m. and the day will follow a delayed school schedule.
- March 3 is March Madness for 7th & 8th graders.
- The Science Olympiad on February 6th hosted at Salk was a huge success
- The School of Character results for the National winners should be in around May. We are 1 of 13 finalists.
- There will be a brief meeting Thursday for all students attending the Washington D.C. trip.
- The Challenger Homecoming was last Tuesday against Division. Next game is tomorrow.
- They are looking to bring back Computer Literacy back into 6th grade, so that students can learn program basics.

Principal's Report: Mr. Sheehan, MacArthur

- February 4th was the 9th grade Survey Breakfast.
- Our Varsity cheerleading team qualified for the National Tournament in Disney World, and made it to the semi-finals. They are currently ranked as #10 in the nation!
- The Mathletes took part in the Nassau County Tournament and our 10th grade team placed 10th out of 47 teams. Kudos to Sajied Chowdhury for placing 8th in the individual portion.
- Winter Concert III and Tri-M Theater Honor Society Inductions were on February 8th. MacArthur English teacher Mrs. Wellenreuther was the recipient of the Tri-M Advocate of the Year award.
- Mr. Leahy from our Business Department took several students to MetLife Stadium to get a tour of the facility, to see how much is involved in order to run it.
- PSAT test booklets, score reports, and a tutorial to interpret their test scores, was handed out and which can be used as a study guide.
- All students have until Friday to make any changes to their course requests for next year.
- The MacArthur Math Fair Team competed in the LI Math Fair at Hofstra and 3 members made it to the final round of competition: Casey Butcher, Nicholas Portello, Sajied Chowdhury.
- This past Saturday was the Junior Banquet held in the gym, which was a huge success.
- Tomorrow will be the Senior Superlatives Awards Ceremony after school.
- SS teacher Mrs. McCue will facilitate a field trip to Boston, MA on Thursday & Friday
- March 10th will be our annual Badminton Tournament to help raise money for Habitat for Humanity

- March 11 & 12 will be the drama performance of “David & Lisa”
- The mandatory pre-Prom workshop for parents will be on March 22nd.

Committees:

- Spirit Wear: Margaret dropped off the orders at MacArthur today. Should have the Salk orders in about 3 weeks.
- Honorary Life: No rsvps back at this point, deadline was today. Please get your rsvp in by Friday.
- **Nominating Committee:**
The committee met with 3 board members and 2 from general membership and Margaret presented the slate for 2016-17:
Co-President: Margaret Costa
VP of Committees: Jeanette Stevens
VP of Membership: Regina Ann Costa
Recording Secretary: Tara Carr
Corresponding Secretary: Helen Travers
Treasurer: Roma Nowak
Delegates: Eileen Petrullo, Donna Hoesten
Members present were in favor and accepted the new slate of officers – Congratulations!

District Committees:

- SEPTA: our rep was unable to attend but Mike Pappas from the BOE spoke and commented how great the speaker was, which was about alternative housing for disabled students once they graduate out at 21.
- Food Service (see notes attached)
- Secondary Curriculum (see notes attached)

New Business/Announcements/Q & A

- Next PTSA meeting is April 5th

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Roma Nowak, Recording Secretary