



September 15, 2016

Salk MacArthur PTSA General Membership Meeting

Called to Order by PTSA President Margaret Costa at 7:31pm

Pledge

Welcome to all attendees

Established Quorum

Mr. Zampaglione's Principal report for Salk Middle School

- Opening of School went smoothly. 6th grade students transitioned nicely
- Total of 930 students, up 27 students from last year
- Staff Members: Susan Tarone is Secretary Attendance and Corrine Snitzer has returned as Guidance Counselor and Carrie Karascony has returned to Special Education at Salk. New to Salk this year: Toni Ann Kushner & Vickie Morici-Reading.
- Custodians did a great job over the summer getting the school ready.
- September 29th will be the first Rec night at Roller skating rink in Hicksville. Only Salk will at the rink that evening. \$5.00 admission and \$5.00 rental fee.
- Halloween dance: 6th Grade 10/25/16 6:30-8:30pm ; 7th & 8th grades 10/27/16 6:30-8:30pm
- We are no longer using Baumann buses to serve some of our routes; they have been replaced with We Transport.
- Club Fair will be held in two weeks in Gym. Narrative will be on website
- Pantene Fundraiser is scheduled for June 12, 2017
- Picture Day is October 7th
- October 11, Salk Middle School will be recognized in Washington DC as a School of Character
- Late Bus Leaves at 4pm and again at 5:15pm

Mr. Sheehan's Principal report for Mac Arthur High School

- School opening went extremely well.
- Completed grade assemblies for all grades. All grades instructed on our policies and practices,
- Tablets have been issued to all freshman students. Currently all freshman and sophomores have their own tablets as part of our '1 to 1' initiative. Tablet training for 9th graders will take place 09/22/16 at 7pm & parents are welcome to attend the tutorial
- Concluded Spirit Week on 09/16/16 to increase moral and boost interest in homecoming day.
- Pep Rally scheduled for 09/16/16 on turf field during 9th period.

- Homecoming parade starts at 12pm 09/17/16 starting at Gardiners Avenue school and concluding at High School. Game starts at 2pm against Sewanaka HS.
- Senior Jared Stern was named by the L.I. Arts Alliance an award of merit winner for Dance- he is one of the top 5 dancers on L.I.!
- College Board and National Hispanic Recognition Program designated senior Jailyn Lopez a National Hispanic Scholar. Jailyn scored in the top 2.5% of all Hispanic students that took the PSAT last year.
- Congratulations to Hannah Grunfeld. She spent two weeks educating the children of India on the importance of a proper diet and nutrition. There is an article in Newsday on Hannah.
- Congratulations to Business teacher Mrs. Savage and Art teacher Mrs. Mayer for being named "Survivors of the Year" by the Susan G.Komen Foundation.
- We are administering the PSAT exam on October 15th. Registration is September 28th immediately after school, in Cafeteria A. Once a student registers and pays for exam, they will receive a study guide.
- The District will be conducting Catalysts ACT bootcamp, a two-day test-prep seminar for 11th & 12th grade students. The bootcamp will take place Saturday October 8th and Sunday October 9th at LMEC from 9am to 1pm. Info is posted on our website.
- There is a change in term weight grading percentage for semester courses: first half 45%, second half 45% and final exam 10%.
- College Mini-fairs will take place on September 20th and September 27th in the auditorium lobby. Seniors only
- District sponsored Financial Aid night will take place 09/22/16 at 7pm at Division Avenue HS.

Presidents Report

- Thank you to all who have signed up for the PTSA membership. It is greatly appreciated. The monies raised from our membership dues go primarily to fund MacArthur High School scholarships and to provide Cultural Arts assemblies to both schools. Your membership dues are appreciated and please understand that it does not mean that we will be contacting you to help run any committees, unless you are interested in volunteering. Your membership dues primarily help us provide worthwhile Cultural arts programs to our students in grades 6 through 12. We are one PTSA for two buildings.
- Announcement of Executive Board Changes:
 - ❖ Regina Costa Resigned from her position of VP Membership due to relocation
 - ❖ Helen Travers assumed position of VP Membership and vacated her position of Corresponding Secretary
 - ❖ Donna Hoesten assumed position of Corresponding Secretary and vacated her position of Delegate

New Executive Board:

Margaret Costa-President

Donna Hoesten-Corresponding Secretary

Helen Travers-1st VP Membership

Tara Carr-Recording Secretary

Jeanette Stevens-2nd VP Committees

Eileen Petrullo-Delegate

Roma Nowak-Treasurer

- Minutes from May meeting reviewed and approved as written. Approval of May 2016 Roma Nowak requested to accept the May minutes and Eileen Petrullo seconded the motion.

Membership Report

- Helen Travers reported that there are over 150 paid Salk Mac Arthur PTSA members so far. She reported slight trouble with entering the data into the database. Dues for adults are \$10 and \$5 for students

Committees

- Margaret Costa reported that if you are interested in volunteering please contact Margaret Costa and or Jeanette Stevens.

Corresponding Secretary

- Donna Hoesten reported that we received two thank you cards from MacArthur High School Scholarship Winners from Class of 2016: Ryan Carr & Shannon Scarano

Treasurer Report

- Roma Nowak reported on the July & August 2016 Treasurers Report. No Questions. Treasurer's Report requested to be approved by Donna Hoesten and seconded by Margaret Costa.
- Budget for 2016-2017 school year was distributed and available for review. Roma presented an overview for the budget and a synopsis can be found at the end of these minutes. A motion was made by Donna Hoesten, seconded by Leslie Cassidy, vote taken and approved by general membership. Budget was passed.

Audit Committee Report

- Leslie Cassidy reported on the Audit Committees report for the Audit period July 2015 through June 2016. The audit committee consisted of Leslie Cassidy, Tara Carr and Donna Hoesten. They met on 09/08/16. The books were found to be in order and deemed satisfactory. Recommendations were made to the Current President and Treasurer based on the audit and will be put in place this year. The next audit is scheduled for January 2017. Leslie asked if there were any questions. None were raised. The audit report and files are available for review for anyone who would like to see these records.

Agenda Books Status

- There were 24 Salk agenda books still available for sale ad 50 MacArthur books available for sale.

Spirit Wear

- Order forms will be on the website in the next week or so. This year we will be selling Mac Arthur knapsacks that can be personalized also.

By-Laws

- Renewal of By-Laws was presented by Leslie Cassidy. An explanation of the purpose of the By-Laws was provided and our current by-laws expire in October 2016. At tonight's meeting, we are providing the required 30 day notice. The By-laws committee consisted of Leslie Cassidy, Margaret Costa and Tara Carr. The vote will be held in October. We are requesting five changes to the by-laws:
 1. Change Quorum from 15 to 12
 2. Change the election month of executive board members from March to May.
 3. Change the naming of the VP structure. Currently listed in numerical order (for ex. 1st VP, 2nd VP). Request VP structure to be represented as VP-Job Title instead (for ex. VP-Membership and VP-Committees)
 4. Change required delegates from 7 to 4.
 5. The current executive board consists of the Salk/MacArthur PTSA officers; past President; Delegates. We would like to add the two school principals and student representatives to the board.

BJ's Membership drive

- Elizabeth Lyons is our chairperson. The form will be available online shortly. Remember registering through the PTSA will be \$5 cheaper and you will get three more months on your membership compared to renewing directly in the store.

Old Business/New Business

- Nothing to report

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Tara Carr, Recording Secretary

Budget Notes:

In the past, the 'Proposed' column was shown as Gross. As part of the Treasury book's clean-up and for better controls, and to give membership an accurate reflection of where our Unit stands, we have adjusted the Budget Statement to reflect the Net amounts, which is what you will see in the 'Actual' column re last year. As a result, and as we transition this year, the numbers will appear skewed. Future Budget Statements will reflect Net amounts across the board.

As a result, you will see a few line items where there is a large difference.

A few highlights:

Agenda books – this is not an actual loss of \$3.6K, this is partially as a result of a Net vs. Gross calculation. Also, two years ago there was a miscalculation on the number of agendas that were needed and not all of them sold.

Plant Sale – did not do as well as projected. There was a small loss because flower flats need to be purchased in whole units. Leftover vegetables were donated to the Salk Sprouts Club.

Spirit Wear – it appears as a loss because \$3500 from Salk spirit wear sales was not deposited until after the fiscal year closed, and will need to be recorded as part of this year's income. So we will show a larger income this year as a result of that.

Also, because the Spirit Wear deposits were not marked and separated between Salk and MacArthur, we don't have an accurate delineation to record. Moving forward that will be done and recorded correctly.