

Mineola High School PTSA meeting

March 9 2021

7pm ZOOM

Attendance

1. Cathy Carr
2. Kathy Escorcia
3. Cindy lopes
4. Deborah DaSilva
5. Dr. Smith
6. Amy Levine
7. Christa Basel
8. Debbie Tobr
9. Amy Polmar
10. Janine Satori
11. Jennifer Amore-Melendez
12. Lauren Gottlieb Mora
13. Lori Massaro
14. Miriam Shevlin
15. Zenobia Haddock
16. Dawn Catania
17. Mary Desiderio
18. Michele Zarnasky
19. Brenna Schettino
20. Chinese Gillian
21. Mr. Smith
22. Gabriella Ramos

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Kathy Escorcía- Good evening, and welcome!

-Kindness contest had many entries, the winners received a \$25 gift certificate to Luigis, all others received a certificate for a free slice of pizza!

-The winners were

- Anthony Avila (art)
- James Santaniello (literature)
- Gudiel Suazo-Claros (music)
- Katie Christy (most creative)

Thanks to Luigis for their generous donation!!

Deborah DaSilva- Budget

- Some new members added
- kindness contest gift card money needs to be subtracted
- balance is \$17,086.40

Jennifer Amore-Melendez-membership- We have 378 members

- senior and parents need to be members to receive scholarships

Brenna Schettino- Merch logo- Mineola Merch has been successful so far

- logo design contest is going on, we will use the logo for the spring line.
- the winner will receive a free item

Chinese Gilliam- gift card sales

- March 15 is the deadline for the next shipment
- this is a good time to give back to the school by ordering
- a good idea, purchase a gift card and donate it to the PTSA

Christa Basel-Clothing drive- March 20th 8am-1pm

- need help
- Please bring down what you can
- NO books, DD, Ds or pots and pans, no house decor, furniture, or workout equipment

Kathy Escorcía- Deborah DaSilva, please present the minutes fro last month on the screen

- minutes approved
- Jennifer Amore-Melendez
- Gabriella Ramos

District Happenings-Mr. Smith

- Multi-cultural week
- foreign language is doing a virtual treasure hunt
- school bells are replaced with music from other countries
- Spring show will be "Into The Woods" held outside at the High School Stadium

Music Parents- Debbie Tobar- Marching band has met!

- 6 weeks
- will preform at 3 football halftimes
- Show will be on the 11 and 12th

Booster Club- Cathy Carr

- meeting was March 2

- 61 members... usually 100
- can join via Venmo.... Ongoing membership
- looking for help with the varsity journal
- The Bowling teams did outstanding- Boys won the County and Girls came in 2nd
- still following the mask policy
- spacing out locker room time
- only 2 spectators and only for home events
- will livestream events
- follow the love link for school sports on the Remind App
- support sports by purchasing clothing wear.... Visit club page

SEPTA- Miriam Shevlin- Meeting Monday 1 at 7pm

- 395 members
- Zumbathon cancelled
- trying to do a movie night

District Council- Christa Basel

- Nominating Committee for slate, many openings need to be filled
- President, 2 Vice Presidents, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer

Board of Education- N/A

Corresponding secretary - Zenobia Haddock- letter of thanks

Kathy Escorcia-

- Jenkins Award Committee
 - need more volunteers
- New Business
 - Nominations motions
 - Jennifer Amore-Melendez
 - Mary Desiderio
 - opposed? N/A
 - passed.... Thank you Nominating Committee

Cindy lopes- Bylaws- voted

- need Recording secretary and Vice President of Nominating

Kathy Escorcia-

Mineola School District is to be gifted \$100,000.00 from Mary Ellen Nerod in the name of her late husband, Richard. The District Council will hold the money for scholarships. Each unit of the Mineola PTA need to approve for this to happen. Once we accept the donation, the District Council Treasurer will proceed. They will need someone from each committee. No. Senior parents can be on the committee. Winner will be a senior with a strong academic GPA, need financial need, hard working. Each year a \$2,500.00 scholarship will be awarded at the senior awards. This gift will put the District in a different tax bracket and we will need to hire a CPA to help with the taxes. Many thanks to Amy and Christa for organizing.

- any questions? No
- motion to Mineola High School PTSA accepts the donation from the Nerod

family

- Amy Polmer
- Jennifer Amore-Melendez
- any oppose?
- no
- Michelle Zarnasky- How much does a CPA cost?

- Amy Levine- \$50-\$75 a year or someone who is not on the board can volunteer
- Christa Basel- the scholarship will be gifted this year, then invest the other money

-anyone object to the motion?

- oppose- n/a

- Motion passes

- motion to adopt the procedures to

- Mary Desiderio

- Barbara Feathers

-any questions? N/A

- any object the motion? N/A

- Motion passed by acclamation

-Christa Basel, we hope that every school passes, we will need someone (non-senior parent) to be a represented on the scholarship committee by 3/22

Principal- Dr. Smith-

- Thank you PTSA for the Kindness Contest, many kids participated.

- Busy time in High School, testing and AP exams, sports and activities

- Scheduling for next year has begun, visit the guidance website if you have any questions, call if you need help

-Parent/teacher conferences are tomorrow on Zoom, we get much better attendance virtually!

-Need to keep kids safe, social media and parties, Parents, please help refrain kids from parties

-in school, students are still 6 feet apart and wearing masks, we encourage parents to let school know if kids have COVID symptoms

- NHS applications are online, need to be complete by 3/26

- Please see club calendar for club activities

-Bowling teams did great, Boys team came in 1st in County and the Girls team came in 2nd. In individuals, Mikayla Palumbo came in 1st and Kelsey Morrison came in 4th!

Congratulations to All!

- Coach Borhringer was named Coach of the Year

- Athletics- video vault is online

- Marching Band is great

- NYSMA performances online

- if student has COVID, needs specific form filled out to participate in activities

- ACT will be held in school

- SAT at the High School

- Career Day will be online

- Advising-Dream Day - learn things that are not taught in the school

- 5,000 challenges have been completed

- Choices/Consequences has been rescheduled

- no final decision about regents exams yet

- School is offering Regents reviews and AP reviews, we are well prepared

Kathy Escorcia- Thank you. The meeting is over. Next meeting 4/7 7pm