Wednesday September 1, 2021 Mineola High School PTSA Meeting ZOOM 7:00pm

**Attendance:**

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| Kathy Escorcia |
| Jennifer Amore-Melendes |
| Christa Basel |
| Zenobia Haddock |
| Dr. Smith |
| Cathy Carr |
| Stefanie Widman |
| Deborah DaSilva |
| Linda Pardo |
| Julie Lui |
| Kenny Lui |
| Diana DeJesus |
| Lisa Kelly |
| Linda J Kenny-Kelly |
| Michelle Mazzotta |
| Dawn Catania |
| Jessica Laffey |
| Nicole Matzer |
| Susana Sousa |
| Miriam Shevlin |
| Christina Lingley |
| Lauren Gottlieb-Mora |
| Janette Figueroa |
| Wanda Catalano |
| Lynda Stewart |
| Lori Massaro |
| Amy Polmar |
| Robin Bischoff |
| Debbie Tobar |
| Abbe Sargeant |
| Cheryl Lampasona |
| Yoomi Chang |
| Zacharo Swartwood |
| Dey Mercado |
| Michele Zaransky |
| Lori Baker |
| Gabriel Polmar |
| Priya Shah |
| Diane Connolly |
| Rachel Cowan |
| Amy Levine |
| Joanne Stiehl |
| Gabriel Polymer |
| Susan Lynch |
| Amber Malone |
| Ziad Ali |
| Pauline Sereiva |
| Mimi Desona |
| Anne Marie Casey |
| Christine Lingley |
| Linda J. Kenny-Kelly |
| Aileen Scott |
| Nuala Daly |
| Susan Jex |
| Wanda Catapano |
| Michelle DeCollibus |
| Gina O'Connor |
| Janine |
| Jacquline |
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Kathy Escorcia:

-Change in Agenda, Dr. Smith will go first

**Principal Message:**

Dr. Smith:

1st day of school in the books and was successful – he thanked the PTA for sponsoring the back-to-school BBQ which was a success.

Safety protocols are being adhered to, with students and staff following masking rules inside and outside of school. Covid related policies will be reviewed every 6 weeks to keep assessing situation.

Forward facing bathrooms were renovated during Summer –

A full-length door, common sink, improved lighting, and ventilation, occupied/not-occupied handles.

Next renovations will be made to the lockers.

AP Computer Science being offered to 9th grade students which will help with Computational thinking a skill needed in the real world, a new teacher was hired for this offering.

**Some important dates:**

09/06 – 09/08 – School Closed observing Labor Day and Rosh Hashanah

09/09 & 09/10 – Picture days for Grades 8th thru 11th – during PE Classes; you can purchase pics and these pics will also be used for student IDs

09/10 – Remembering Sept 11th Ceremony

09/18 – Senior sponsored Car Wash (10 am-1 pm)

09/22 – CLUB FAIR – spread the word this gives students an opportunity to get involved post the dismissal bell

*Details are included in the August/September Newsletter (can be found on Mineola HS website)*

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/17wLhh9Z_8O7sRWzFN-kPjcdcrbU6ibjd-t7kr4670bI/edit>

**President’s Welcome:**

**Kathy Escorcia**: Introduction of your PTSA team

Katherine Escorcia – Co- President

Jennifer Melendez – Co-President

Christa Basel – VP of Fundraising

Diana DeJesus – VP of Membership

Cathy Carr – VP of Nominations

Miriam Shevlin – VP Septa

Deborah DaSilva – Treasurer

Zenobia Haddock – Corresponding Secretary

Priya Shah – Recording Secretary

First order of Business

June minutes were emailed and posted ([MHS PTSA Website Link CLICK HERE](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CMary%20Ellen%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CPackages%5Cmicrosoft.windowscommunicationsapps_8wekyb3d8bbwe%5CLocalState%5CFiles%5CS0%5C65%5CAttachments%5CMHS%20PTSA%20Website%20Link%20CLICK%20HERE))

 Does anyone have any corrections? No one spoke up so the June minutes were accepted.

**Treasurer Report:**

**Deborah DaSilva:**

Went over budget for 2021-2022 school year.

*Included in Appendix.*

Kathy Escorcia explained the budget for new parents; using Lego events as an example – Projected income is $6,000 and Expense is $4,000 leaving a profit of $2,000.

There were no questions or concerns to the proposed budget. Jennifer Melendez and Christa Basel gave the 1st and 2nd motion respectively and the Budget passes by acclamation.

Adjustments to the budget are made on a continuous basis and discussed at every meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

**Christa Basel:**

8th grade BBQ went without a hitch today 09/01 as noted by Dr. Smith and this was a great start as last school year, we could not offer this celebration.

Mums’ sales

Can be ordered online on member hub – flyers were emailed out and were put on FB.

Last day to place order is 09/04.

Pickup is on 09/21

Details of the pickup will be shared/emailed.

**Diana DeJesus:**

You can signup for PTA on member hub – due go towards all things that were covered on the budget.

To date we have 156 members – new signups was very successful during EAST on 08/27 and 08/30.

**Kathy Escorcia:**

Overall we got a good response for our Volunteer online form.

We still need volunteers for

Reflections Committee

Septa Carnival

Lego Event

Teacher Appreciation

**Abbe Sargeant: Representing Booster Club**

Booster Club meeting is on Tuesday 09/14 – signup for Booster club –

Family ID new app – for Students and Families.

Many important forms are now online – you can scan QR codes to get access and complete it all paperless including but limited to – Physical forms, IPAD agreement etc.

More information on Venmo and Paypal to be shared once finalized.

**Miriam Shevlin: Representing SEPTA**

Septa meeting on 09/20

Primary focus on life after HS for kids with special needs.

Looking for members – so please sign up using the link below.

[Sign-up for SEPTA here](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CMary%20Ellen%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CPackages%5Cmicrosoft.windowscommunicationsapps_8wekyb3d8bbwe%5CLocalState%5CFiles%5CS0%5C65%5CAttachments%5CSign-up%20for%20SEPTA%20here)

**District Council Reps:**

Amy Polmar and Nancy Farrelly - Amy was present at the PTA meeting but had to leave to attend the Music Parent meeting at 7:30pm.

**No one was present to represent Board of Ed**.

**Correspondence**

**Zenobia Haddock:**

Various ways to stay informed – HS website or on any of the Social Media sites below

[MHS PTSA Website Link CLICK HERE](https://coxautoinc-my.sharepoint.com/personal/priya_shah_coxautoinc_com/Documents/MHS%20PTSA%20Website%20Link%20CLICK%20HERE)

Twitter Handle - @MineolaHsPTSA

Instagram – mineolaPTSA

 FaceBook – Mineola High School - PTSA

Read thankyou notes for 3 Spirit Award recipients

Nick Ramos

Kristen Cox

Jillian Parrino

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

Reflections – We have a Chair Person we need Volunteers

Trunk/Treat – event open to all – exciting new event

**Meeting over – 7:43PM**