

# Kinnelon High School HSA Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2016

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## I. **Welcome**

- a. Meeting commenced at 7:35pm with a welcome by Paula Williams.

## II. **Administrator's Report** – Gary Suda/Diane DiGiuseppe

- a. Academic Decathlon placed 5<sup>th</sup> in state – top students in the school. Great job and this was the final state competition. 25 years of service – Ms. Johnson.
- b. Addams Family – was successful and great production – nice team.
- c. Spring Sports – all in full swing. Perfect weather for the start and on the fields.
- d. Senior Class Meeting – went over Senior Service – community service activity. Previously open to AP course students. Open to students with 3.0 GPA or better, 10 absences or less...100 students eligible. Give back to community. May 15<sup>th</sup> – June 16<sup>th</sup>. Kids will attend the project for minimum of 3-5 hours a day – hospital, library, have goals and purpose. Give back before moving on to college. Communicated at faculty meeting. Ms. Ellington is the advisor...will work closely with her to make sure all is of quality and positive. Senior Project will be at baccalaureate...14 students currently...interest and career based. School will reach out to eligible students. Stop coming to school as of May 15<sup>th</sup>...3-5 hours a day at a site...5 days a week...25 hours a week...site visit from advisor...2-3 pages reflection with their goals.
  - i. Kids will create a proposal and school will then assist with finding a community service project.
  - ii. Want to keep project within 20 minute drive/window...will be visited by Ms. Ellington.
- e. Intergenerational Prom – Senior Citizens of Kinnelon, Cedar Crest, Butler, CLL Group (200 people)
  - i. Students at KHS
  - ii. BOE and Administration, Mayor, Police, HSA etc be a part of this prom.
  - iii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting on Thursday
    1. June 7<sup>th</sup> or May 24<sup>th</sup>. (4pm – 7pm)
    2. Finalize date, theme, donations, etc.
- f. 4 Snow Days - dates will be announced March 18<sup>th</sup>.
- g. Band/Choir Concert – May 23<sup>rd</sup>
- h. Dorney – June 13<sup>th</sup>
- i. Senior Awards Night – June 1<sup>st</sup>
- j. June 7<sup>th</sup> – Driving Safety Night – Juniors and Seniors
- k. Prom – June 9<sup>th</sup> – Villa at Mountain Lakes
- l. Mr. Kinnelon – March 30<sup>th</sup>
- m. Achieve 3000 – Lexile Reading Level – informational reading – created article at different lexiles...with stretch activity. Very expensive program..requires a lot of use...to make it worthwhile.

III. **Secretary** – Melissa Giacoio

- a. Open Positions for 2016-2017 –please let us know if you are interested in continuing for the new school year or if you are interested in a position.
- b. Planning a meeting to discuss informally and securing new volunteers. Possibly May 10<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Motion to approve by Elaine Hamill and seconded by Patti Morris.

IV. **Treasurer Report** – Elaine Hamill

- a. Balance of \$73,126.00
- b. Motion to approve by Patti Morris seconded by Lori Cohen.

V. **KHS Scholarships** – Patti Morris

- a. March 25<sup>th</sup> is the deadline.
- b. Guidance will copy for their records and then give to Patti and give to her committee.
- c. Wrapped up and done by 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April.

VI. **Project Graduation** – Bernadine Ferrari

- a. Underway – fundraisers and coordinating activities.
- b. Dinner to Go – in works.
- c. Select fundraisers on different dates
- d. Forms online – Project Graduation, Yard Sale
- e. 166 seniors total - have received a little over ½.

VII. **Grants** – Applications were submitted and reviewed by Grant Chair – Alicia deTorres and the HSA Executive Board and Principal. The following were reviewed, presented and approved and/or seeking more information.

- a. Mr. Suda to approve and review in the future.
- b. 3 Grants with questions – need to vote on
  - i. **Give Back Club** – Buesser - \$400 for speaker – open up to more students then Give Back Club – yes they will make it an after school activity. When will it be spent?
    1. **Grant Approved 3/8/16**
  - ii. **Cataldi** – iPad 32gb Air – for Spanish Classroom – differentiated learning – was using his own. Asked where the school funded iPads were and said they were older and not able to use with certain apps. Would like more info on the apps. Mr. Suda to follow up and is approved.
    1. **Grant Approved 3/15/16**
  - iii. **Volleyball Team** – Finke – partial funding \$957 sets sleeves and net system – Volleyball use and PE classes too. Needs to be run by Facilities first – before approval. Mr. Suda to follow up and once it approved by Facilities \$ will be granted and approved.
    1. **Grant Approved 3/15/16**

VIII. **Staff Appreciation** – Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

- a. Noon in cafeteria
- b. Cater from Taste of Reality
- c. Donations of drinks/salads/dessert
- d. Will bring sign up sheet to next meeting.

**IX. Project Graduation**

- a. 96 signed up
- b. Need 64 more
- c. Venue and Vendors
- d. Mailing – March 21<sup>st</sup>
- e. Volunteers Needed
- f. Dinner to Go – March 30<sup>th</sup> – Taste of Reality
- g. Donation Letters – Project Graduation – mass mailing to all of Kinnelon to go out soon.  
Successful with donations in past \$2300 from community.
- h. Lawn Signs – Seniors \$20 – can order now – form on Project Graduation section of website.

**X. Other**

- a. Snack Concession Stand – new counter for the snack shack. Cheryl Chiuchiolo to contact Mr. Suda to discuss next steps.

Meeting adjourned 8:50pm.

Next Meeting – April 12<sup>th</sup>.

In attendance: Gary Suda, Diane DiGiuseppe, Paula Williams, Alicia deTorres, Elaine Hamill, Melissa Giacoio, Patti Morris, Mary Anne Gorman, Patti Morris, Lori Cohen.