

Meeting opened @ 7:35 p.m. in the KHS Library.

Administrator's Report presented by Mrs. Diane DiGiuseppe:

- Dr. Merckling's last day will be Fri., Jan. 31. He will address the staff and students. Our very experienced Interim Principal is Mr. Robert Reis and he has been shadowing Dr. Merckling since Jan. 20. He will be with us until June 30.
- Remember to complete the survey on EdLine about school security. Parent input is needed about the overall safety of our schools. There are about 16 questions in the survey. There has been a 4-month pilot program on-going in each of the schools. One security officer is at one school each day for 3 hours. This Kinnelon police officer is in plainclothes and is a positive presence. The cost for this has been \$3,500. To keep the program going next year, it will cost \$12,000.
- A detailed school calendar is available thru EdLine which has made it private and helps with security since you need a password to view it.
- From a question posed at the meeting, Mrs. DiGiuseppe will find out how spectator entrance fees from football games are dispersed.
- It was also brought up that ENews has not been updated. There are several ways to keep informed but no one place has all the current info parents need to know. Mrs. DiGiuseppe said she would look to see how this type of communication can be improved.
- \$400 has been spent on batteries to fix the school clocks vs. \$25,000 to replace them. A digital clock system will be considered.

Secretary's Report from the Nov., 2013 meeting was reviewed by Mary Anne Gorman:

A motion to accept the report was made by Carol Wiedemann, seconded by Paula Williams.

Treasurer's Report presented by Kristen DeLeo on behalf of Elaine Hamill:

- There is about \$50,000 in the account. There are a few future disbursements to consider including Scholarships and Admin Wish List.
- The Fashion Show had a profit of \$9,379. The \$5,000 that HSA donates to the Fashion Show was not included in this amount.
- In planning for the Clubs and Organization's Grant disbursements, the amount should not go over \$5,500. The following are the Grant's that were presented:
 - **Trust Club** requested funds to purchase games to be used for their visits to the elementary schools. \$250 was requested and granted.
 - **The KHS Auditorium Club** is requesting funds to be used to upgrade the remainder of the sound equipment in the KHS Auditorium. \$6,346.10. This is still under consideration though there is a limited time for the Club to take advantage of monies being donated by NBC.
 - **The Hockey Team** is requesting funds to pay for 14 practice sessions at \$410/hr for a total of \$5,740. Much discussion was given to this request. The Hockey team has ice practice time but this request is for an additional 14 practice sessions that the district does not cover. In the past, fundraisers headed by parents have enabled the team to have this extra practice time. The fundraisers this year have not been profitable enough to cover these sessions. Typically, the HSA does not fund non-reusable items and does not fund sports teams.
 - **The Swim Team** requested funding for 2 of the 4 pieces of equipment they need to analyze strokes and help develop the team overall. \$299.98.

- Since two of the four Executive Board members were not in attendance, it was decided to table the discussion of Grant awards until the Executive Board meets to further discuss our budget. A motion to approve the Auditorium club request was made by Eva Gadow and seconded by Paula Williams. Mary Anne and Kristen explained the need to table the vote until the Executive Board could meet to further discuss the budget and also elaborate further on the Student Grant request process.

Project Graduation Update presented by Bernadine Ferrari on behalf of her, Karen Park and Linda Graupe:

- A Committee meeting will take place on Tues., Feb. 11 @ 8:30pm @ the KHS Library, immediately following the HSA meeting.
- As always, underclassman parents are needed to chaperone Project Graduation.
- Almost 100 out of 184 students have registered. The registration fee is \$100 and the committee is hoping for 100% participation!
- The current fundraiser is Spiritwear that will be sold starting Friday in the café. Sweatshirts, sweatpants and tshirts are available. The order deadline is Feb. 7.
- HSA will donate \$50 per registered student.

Fashion Show update presented by Barbara Burns on behalf of Dina Sweeney:

- There is an open position for Chairperson and/or Co-Chairpeople for the 2014 Fashion Show.
- The Fashion Show had a profit of \$9,379. The \$5,000 that HSA donates to the Fashion Show was not included in this amount. This is approx. \$2,000 less in profits from last year.

Holiday Cookies presented by Kristen DeLeo on behalf of Stacey Gould:

- Cookies made by the bakers of this committee were delivered to KHS on Dec. 16. They were placed in different offices and lounges in the school for teachers and custodial staff. They were enjoyed and appreciated by all.

Senior Composite presented by Kristen DeLeo on behalf of Stacey Gould:

- The Composite was completed and made available for the Alumni Tea that took place in Nov.

Carnival Update presented by Juan Faisca on behalf of him and Beth Polick:

- The Carnival dates are May 29, 30 and 31st, Thursday thru Saturday. The contract has been signed.
- A suggestion was made to have the Fireworks works on Saturday night instead of Friday. Beth will work with the Fire Dept on the details.
- The Carnival food vendor will be the exclusive food supplier.
- The committee will determine the best way to supply the electricity lines based on what was done in the past.
- Natalie K. will give the chairs the Volunteer List.

President's Report by Kristen DeLeo:

- A practice ACT Test will be given at KHS on Sat., Feb. 22 and there is still time to register.
- The practice SAT test was administered on Sat., Jan. 18. 80 students had registered and Kaplan has announced the results.
- Regarding HSA's Scholarships for seniors, Pat Hausser sent the registration forms to Guidance and it should be on the school's website by Feb. 11.
- The KEA's Pot of Gold Run will take place on Sat., March 16. They requested that HSA donate \$50 toward the event. It was approved.
- KHS Drama Club presents "South Pacific" on March 7 & 8. Go to school website for ticket information.

The next HSA meeting is on Tues., Feb. 11 @ 7:30 in the KHS Library.

Meeting ended at 8:45pm with a motion from Patti Morris and seconded by Marianne DeAlessi.

Attendees: Diane DiGiuseppe, Kristen DeLeo , Mary Anne Gorman, Carol Wiedemann, Paula Williams, Barbara Burns, Bernadine Ferrari, Juan C. Faisca, Patti Morris, Natalie Koutsokoumnis, Lori Cohen, Marianne DeAlessi, Beth M. Polick, Eva Gardow, Lynn Less, Matt Civil, Matt Rose