

Kinnelon High School HSA Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2018 - 7:00pm – Media Center/Library

- I. **Welcome- Melissa Giacoio**
- II. **Administration Report– Mr. Gary Suda**
 - a. Academically- looking at scheduling & budgeting for 2018-2019 school year. There will be Final Exams this year but no Mid-term Exams. Seniors with 90 average & above will be exempt. Students taking AP Exams also exempt from Final Exams. 6/18- English & History Finals, 6/19- Math, 6/20- Language Arts & any prior conflicts.
 - b. Move up day is 6/13.
 - c. Vaping- All schools are being challenged with this problem/issue. Administration trying to come up with new ways to combat the issue. There is constant monitoring in the bathrooms and hallways. If a student gets caught vaping then their bags, purses and lockers will be searched. Currently, any student caught vaping will serve a 1 day detention and will be drug tested within 2 hours. Trying to get Olympic medalist Laurie Hernandez to speak against Vaping. Tim Schumaker will give a presentation to parents on Vaping on 3/26.
 - d. Pep-rally will be held on 2/15. Terry Lewis coordinated the rally.
- III. **Screenagers Event**
 - a. Screenagers- Lauren Muriello at Well Being Therapy is the speaker about growing up in the digital age. It will be held 2/21 6:30pm at KHS for students 10 years & older. Admission is free- register on-line.
- IV. **Project Graduation**
 - a. To date there are 100 students signed up.
 - b. Will send mail and email to students who have not signed up.
 - c. Looking for parents of underclassman to volunteer.
 - d. Will not do a community mailing this year because was not cost effective in the past. Instead will be looking for sponsors at different levels. The business name will be listed on t-shirts that the seniors will be wearing and on a banner that will be put on the fence at graduation. Will post this on Kinnelon Moms & Dads Facebook page and will also send to previous donors.
- V. **Dinner to Go**
 - a. House of Thai this month
 - b. March will be Cypress
- VII. **SAT/ACT Test Prep- Patti Morris**
 - a. 50 students attended- was a good turn-out.
- VIII. **Scholarships- Michele Bjornson**
 - a. Applications available on-line in the Guidance Section. They are due 3/23.

IX. Grants- Mary Ramsden

- a.** The teachers are processing their grants. We have received many thank-you notes from the teachers.

X. Other

- a.** Intergenerational Prom- This will be held on 4/24. There is a new head of Camelot and we will reach out to see if they would like to contribute.
- b.** Musical- Sound of Music is 3/2 & 3/3. Tickets can be purchased on-line.
- c.** Every 15 Minutes- will be held on 4/12 and 4/13.
- d.** Volunteers for positions and fashion show for 2018-2019 needed .

Next Meeting March 14 at 7:00pm

In attendance: Melissa Giacoio, Gerda Haines, Amy Ferrera, Mary Ramsden, Gary Suda, Maria Lazizzera, Dana Jacko, Bernadine Ferrari, Bill Gromann.