



CSH PTG Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2023

- Jennifer Cahn, CSH PTG President, calls the meeting to order. All parents are welcomed, and the members of the PTG that are present are introduced, including Nicole Prizzi, Melissa Leopard, and Katie Weiss.
- The next meeting is October 10th and sign up for volunteer committees and clubs are here and encouraged.
- Membership for the PTG is also mentioned and encouraged if you have not yet signed up.
- Deserie Saunders, PTG Committee Chair, sends a note asking for volunteers for the Staff Appreciation Breakfast on September 21st and we need a Chair for the School Beautification committee.
- Jennifer Cahn explains the rationale for the proposed amendments to the bylaws. She explains the PTG Board's proposal to limit official PTG membership only to legal guardians of current students in the district and to district employees - and, further, to restrict certain membership benefits only to current and imminent Junior/Senior high school parents. These changes are proposed to enhance security and self governance in the Junior/Senior parent population.
- Jill Gierasch, Superintendent of Schools, addresses the group, and discusses the safety procedures in regards to the PTG meetings.
- Katie Weiss distributes votes to the members on the new amendments.
- Introduction of Mr. Danbusky, Principal - he welcomes parents, and gives a brief explanation of security for visitors when walking in the door of the school.
- Mr. Danbusky introduces the new faculty, including Nicole Schimpf (Executive Director of Special Education), Brian Taylor (Director of STEM), and Carissa Hajdasz (Assistant Principal 10-12 grade)
- Mr. Danbusky makes a point that Canvas tutorial will be on Back to School Night and parents will have an opportunity to walk through their child's schedule. September 23rd will be a historical event in which our students will be part of the Remembrance Bowl along with the Locust Valley students. Also, a reminder to read the Friday newsletters that he puts out each week.
- Erin Amadori speaks on behalf of FOCUS committee. She explains the purpose of the group and what their goal is to our schools. The next meeting will be October 3 in the Cold Spring Harbor Public Library.

- CPC meeting will take place at 9 AM on September 27th. The next meeting will be October 25.
- Ms. Gierasch again welcomes the new administrators and mentions that they would like to do more things districtwide this year. The Board of Ed meeting on September 12th will go over the NYS Regents results.

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