



CSH PTG Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

- Jennifer Cahn, PTG president, calls the meeting to order and welcome the group. All members of the PTG are present.
- Ms. Karen Uhl-Smith begins a presentation on community service. She gives an overview of community service and explains that the goal is to have the students want to volunteer rather than the act of being required to. She goes over the benefits of volunteering and the requirements for National Honor Society.
- She explains where to find out how to obtain community service hours, including community service bulletin, Hawk Talk and Canvas. The students are responsible for keeping their own hours by way of certificates, letters or emails.
- Many clubs offer community service, including the Environmental Club and Peer Mentor Club. Some local opportunities include North Shore Holiday House, local libraries and TriCYA.
- There will be upcoming opportunities, including 2-one hour after school sessions for card making and pen pal letters. Students can reach out to Mrs. UHL-Smith for any opportunities.
- Mrs Uhl-Smith introduces Sienna Koke and Leah Mendelson, students who have gone above and beyond their community service experience. Sienna Koke discusses the Pink Pack organization that she started, and Leah gives an overview of Dancing Dreams where she volunteers in this organization for disabled kids, who are learning to dance.
- Anne Steels, our treasurer, runs through last year's budget briefly. She also mentioned that she is looking for volunteers for the 2023-24 Budget Committee.
- Anne breaks down how our total expense from last year was \$57,109 and we started the year 53,000. For the most part, the budget will remain the same but the Cultural Arts Committee budget is going to be higher this year. Our budget this year is \$66,000.
- Melissa Leopard, introduces herself as the secretary of the PTG for this year. She asks for approval of minutes from September's meeting.
- Deserie Saunders introduces herself as the Committee Chair and reviews some of the events and happenings going on at the Jr/Sr High. This includes the Welcome Back Breakfast for the \ staff and the beautification of the school for fall. Deserie thanks all of the volunteers and encourages the parents to volunteer for many of the upcoming exciting events.
- Jennifer Cahn makes a few announcements, including the event poll which Nicole Prizzi made for the Jr./Sr, High students to choose wish list items for events they would like to have at school.
- Jenean Ketterer gives a brief summary of the last CPC meeting. She mentions that Mr. Bongino discussed the mental health curriculum, and Remeberance Bowl. At the CPC meeting there was also the discussion of the breakdown of standardized test scores. The next CPC meeting will take place on October 25 at 9 AM in the Goosehill board room.
- Mr. Joe Monastero gives a presentation on troubleshooting Canvas.

- He first goes over parent portal and explains that is where you will find all the students grades. He then opens up the forum to any questions. Mr. Monastero shares the parent view on Canvas, and refers to Canvas as an assignment pad for the students.
- Mr. Monastero mentions two excellent resources for parents to help navigate and control devices of their children. They are Qustodio (all in one parent control) and Circle (protects all or select devices at home).

The next PTG meeting is Tuesday in November 14 at 9:30 AM.

November 16 will be the vote for Child's Victim Act Lawsuit.

The next Septo meeting will take place November 17th at 8:45 AM.