

TZHS PTSA
Meeting Minutes 03/10/08

Guest Speaker - SOCASA Update

Vicky Shaw/Sue Maher

1. a. South Orangetown Community Awareness of Substance Abuse
 - b. Goal is to provide programs / events to district
 - c. Students came up with the name SOCASA
 - d. Working with Orangetown Task Force
 1. Substance Abuse program
 2. funding for programs
 3. O'town would like to add a line item in budget to add funds for SOCD and PRSD
 - e. Google - "I am dirt" this is a motivational speaker
 - f. SOCASA is looking for support from the PTSA to host a liability night
 1. Judge Phinney to speak to issues and legal concerns; Serving minors in your house/ hosting alcohol parties
 - g. There is a 100,000 grant - Community schools grant - that SOCASA has applied for.
 There is a 1 year application submission process. They are working alongside O'town task force to get his accomplished. SOCASA is not for profit and has been established for 5 years
 - h. SOCASA is district wide - have met with the WOS team to look at doing things at the lower levels with the kids .. Maybe start out with the environment.
 - i. Looking to host meetings quarterly going forward. Holding speaker meetings and partnering with the other local school districts can help to achieve bigger and better turnouts. This has been proven in past experiences.
- 1A. Questions Raised
- a. Prom Night / Prom Weekend / Substance Abuse Issues
 - b. Substance Abuse / Code of Conduct should be applicable to all students. Denise J. has raised this concern with the Council and Dr. Zambito for the SAVE Committee.

Principal's Report

Ed Bolan

2. a. Prom Night - everyone walking In the door is checked
- b. Science Olympiad - 6 gold medals
- c. Presidential scholars awards - 2 candidates
- d. Lions Club honors senior Connor Dawson
- e. Cut-a-thon and penguin plunge raised a good deal of money for the Monahan family. Proud of all the children involved and their commitment. Collected \$5,000
- f. BLT - Building level Team - Brian Newburger came in to talk about the Science Honors Program, Class size and enrollment process. This is work in process.
- g. Smoking Program - looking at various programs to assist young teens in stopping
- h. March 30 – 5th Annual Engineering Exposition - students interested in engineering colleges should attend. Hosted at TZHS - start time 11am

AP Report

P. Castelli

Upcoming Events:

March 18 - Havana Nights , 28 - HepCat - Yearly Fundraiser

April 9 - Mu Festival , April 10 - History Honors Festival , April 11 - Multicultural Festival

3. Trish Castelli - Wellness

- a. Walk and Fair is May 10 - Community participation from Nyack Hosp / Breast Cancer / SOAC
- b. Fair is TZHS - Walk is from TZHS to SOMS to Cottage Lane to TZHS
- c. Cafeteria - 2 new food tastings-positive Chicken Teriyaki and Sweet and Sour Chicken served with rice
- d. Pizza sales are up from 6 pies to 13 pies

Treasurer's Report

D. Jensen

4. Treasury Report - has about \$5,000. Tom will have complete report next meeting.

Meeting Minutes

D. Jensen

5. Review of Last Meeting Minutes

- a. motions received from floor for acceptance / minutes accepted

President's Report

D. Jensen

6. a. George Brady hired as Director of Technology. Starts April 1
b. Dr. Ken Mitchell is in the loop of all happenings / was involved in Brady approval
c. Director of Facilities resigned 1 wk ago - lots of turnover in this position
d. Director of HR - Candidates have been moved forward to next level - final stop is BOE
e. Graduation - Weather stand by and contingency plans are being looked into at this time
f. SOMS Pool - will be discussed further during this weeks mtg. Pool costs / repairs are well above what has been estimated / budget
- g. Curriculum Council - Remedial Math is supported for 9th grade - no budget impact
Social Studies Lab / Course proposed for HS
- h. Budget - should be adopted by the 9th. Budget Vote is May 20
i. Go Dutch is off and running. Coupon book will also be handed out to the HS staff

Old Business

10. a. Elect nominating committee - the following have been approved
Marion Gryzlo, Mary Beth Carley, Jeanne Dennehy, Annette Herskowitz, and Jane Casey
- b. Yankee candle raised about 3874.00 - netted about 1300.00. Mailing packages to TZ homes proved more profitable and successful.
- c. AAA New York will be our guest speaker at our 4-14 meeting, presenting "10 Teenage Deadly Driving Mistakes". Parents and students are invited to come and learn about these and the graduated licensing.

New Business

11. Parent / Student Time Management workshop – May 6th / night

Next TZHS PTSA Meeting - 4/14/08

Respectfully Submitted, Diana Hirt-Shaffer for Jean Irizarry/TZHS PTSA Recording Secretary