

**Huntington High School  
PTSA Meeting  
November 13, 2012  
Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order:** 7:40 pm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Welcome:** Julie LaBella – Finley PTA President

**Approval of Minutes**

**President's Report:** Alice Marie Rorke

- HHS held a very powerful and successful Alcohol and Bullying Forum on October 24<sup>th</sup>. Red Watch Band from Stony Brook University, author Jaime Isaacs and student members of the HHS Bully Club were the guest speakers. An article and pictures can be found on the district website. An assembly for parents is being planned for the spring.
- The PTSA just enrolled to be a beneficiary for LivingHuntington.com.
- Sweeties Candy Cottage will donate 10% back to HHS PTSA and Finley PTA for all purchases made by December 15, 2012. Just make sure to mention the school you go to. Check their website at [www.sweetiescandycottage.com](http://www.sweetiescandycottage.com).
- The PTSA are selling Kidstuff Coupon Books for \$25 with the PTSA getting \$12.50 back for each book sold.

**Principal's Report:** Dr. Leonardi

- The Guidance Department is having a 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent/Student Guidance Presentation on Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at HHS Auditorium.
- The Pride Awards have been postponed to Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>.
- The Huntington High School Open House dates/times have been revised. The new dates are Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm-3:30 pm and Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am-11:30 am. A separate Realtor Open House is scheduled for November 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am-11:30 am. Student volunteers will speak and give tours of the high school classrooms, labs, art wing, library, gymnasium, science department, etc. Musical groups will also be performing and student representatives will be available from most of the honor societies and clubs.
- The fall drama production "Lady Windermere's Fan" has been rescheduled to Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm and Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm at HHS.
- On Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> the Blue Devils varsity football team will be in a playoff game at Sayville High School. A bus will be provided for fans who want to cheer the team on.
- The National Honor Society will hold their Induction on Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.
- The English Honor Society will hold their Induction on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.
- The Guidance Department will be having a Financial Aid Workshop for seniors and their parents on Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Cafeteria.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences can be scheduled for Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:45 pm-7:45 pm. Conferences are for the subjects of English, Math, Social Studies and Science and will be limited to 8 minutes per time slot.

- Photo re-take day will be on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Treasurer's Report:** Debbie Knowles

- A deposit was made to the Crest Hollow Country Club for the HHS/Finley Spring Fashion Show (April 11, 2013). A donation was made to the Jamie Isaacs Foundation. The HHS PTSA has also bought an ad in the HFEE Journal for the January Gala.

#### **District Committees**

- **SEPTA** – Art to Remember will be distributed in the beginning of December. Teacher grant applications are due in December. A SEPTA Rep is needed for Finley Middle School. SEPTA Membership is ongoing, anyone can join. The next meeting will be on Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at Finley at 7:30 pm.
- **HFEE** – Shari Harris and Melissa Ryan spoke about the January 18<sup>th</sup> Gala at the Woodlands. HFEE will be honoring Christine Bene this year. Journal ads are due by December 15<sup>th</sup>. T-shirts "Huntington...Live, Laugh, Learn" are being sold for \$10 in adult and kid sizes. Tickets for the Gala can still be purchased, contact Laurene Napurano at lauren@optonline.net.
- **Board of Education** – Bari Fehrs gave a summary of the last meeting. The last meeting was Board of Education Recognition Week highlighted by a Dual Language Presentation. There was also a presentation by Sustainable Long Island. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) was discussed by Mr. Polansky and the Trustees as a viable option for a Magnet School at Jack Abrams. The next Board of Education meeting is Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.
- **Arts in Education** – Nancy DiGiacomo spoke about the John W. Engeman Theatre in Northport and the Community Give Back Program. When purchasing tickets, mention the code HAIE to get a discount on your ticket and also \$10 will be donated to Arts in Ed.

#### **School Committees**

- **Membership** – Bonnie Guarino is the PTSA Teacher Representative and she makes time to attend all PTSA meetings. To date, the PTSA has 304 members.

#### **Important Dates to Remember**

- **SAT** – Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Board of Education meeting** – Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 at Jack Abrams
- **PTA Council meeting** – Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 am at HHS Heritage Room
- **Parent University on the Dignity Act** – rescheduled date is Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at Finley Middle School.
- **HHS/Finley Floor Hockey Challenge** – Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm-9:00 pm at HHS

**Flower of the Month winner** – Lauren Meagher

**Next PTSA meeting is another joint meeting with Finley Middle School on Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at HHS.**

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:50 pm