



**HSA Meeting**  
**Wednesday, January 10, 2018**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
**MS/HS MEDIA Room**

**\*\*\*Meeting MINUTES\*\*\***

1. Welcome – **Gerri Cristantiello, President** Call to order; Sept 27 and Nov 28 Minutes approved; 9 persons in attendance.
2. Treasurer's Report – **Susan Rowley, Treasurer** New format for financial report was presented and reviewed :
  - Reminder, cash basis and our fiscal year is 8/1/17-7/31/18
  - Schedule distributed with activity as of 1/3/2018
  - Since our last meeting on 11/27/17 we:
    - Collected a \$1200 sponsorship from the Spina family for Casino Night \$210 in other contributions, and \$1550 from the sale of tickets. We expect much more activity on this in the next few weeks
    - Directory – We collected additional parent donations of 440 bringing total from parent donations to \$910, coupled with the \$4750 from sponsorships less the printing expense of \$4575 is net of 1085 earned from that fundraiser
    - Parking - Collected \$152.50 for Jan parking
    - Paid \$165 for Middle School Halloween Party plus waiting on expected receipts to be reimbursed
    - Paid \$318 for holiday gifts to school custodians, 2 secretaries, admin asst., Director of Technology, music tech director and exec. asst to the superintendent. It was also suggested that the crossing guards should receive a gift. This year the Korean PTA gave them a gift. For next year, it was suggested that MS/HS H.S.A. coordinates with KPA, EHB's PTA, and MMS' HSA with gifts to the crossing guards.
    - Paid \$60 fee with our most recent NJ informational tax return
    - As of 1/3/2018—had \$8905 in bank/deposits in transit
3. HSA Positions for 2017-18
  - a. Secretary – Open Position HSA is still looking for one or two persons to take on this position. Please contact Gerri if you can help.
  - b. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Representative – Gerri had someone who was interested but could not recall. She also asked another 9<sup>th</sup> grade parent and is awaiting a reply.
4. MS/HS Vice President Update – **Lara Mor Zilberstein & Kelli Yee** No report at this time.
5. Committee Chair Updates
  - a. Board of Ed Liaison – **Alba Shick** BOE Superintendent's Office has moved to Brookside location. Business Administrator and staff will be moving shortly to Brookside. BOE addressed additional student parking on campus.
  - b. Grade Representatives. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep met with Mr. Massaro to address identified student concerns. An email was recently sent to parents that shared a detailed update.
  - c. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Orientation: Date TBD – **Need Volunteer** CMS Admin team met to determine this date so this event date should be announced shortly. Please contact Gerri if you can help.
  - d. Parent Education Speaker Series – **Julia Kislevitz**
    - Drug & Alcohol Abuse Prevention (Wed. 10/25/17) – **Completed.**
    - The Teen Brain and Communication (Wed. 12/6/17) - **Completed**

- Family Dynamics and Adolescent Behavior (Wed. 2/7/18) – Speaker is MMS parent Joel Sneed, Professor of Psychology and Director of Clinical Training, Queens College. Topic: “Unhealthy Patterns of Thinking and Behaving in Your Teenager: What to do?” Presentation will be held in the CM/HS Media Center at 7:00p. Learn strategies for addressing common problems. This program is open to all including neighboring communities – and is free! Please join us.
  - Committee received feedback regarding future presentations: “repeat of presentations appreciated but add new topics too” and, “consider topic of: Perils of Your Teenager Driving”. The Committee welcomes all feedback, please let us know what topic interests you OR let us know if you have a presenter that we can contact. New volunteers always welcome, contact Julia Kislevitz.  
Note: Gerri will send separate email asking for volunteers to help with this presentation event.
  - Internet and Social Media Safety (Wed. 4/11/17)
- e. Annual H.S.A. Fundraiser (Casino Night): (Fri. 1/26/18) – **Shari Jacobson Thomas** Many parents getting involved. Already have over 100 baskets of amazing gifts for raffle prizes. SPACE setup will happen between 3p-7p on Thursday. In addition to dinner, dancing and fun casino games, there will be pig races, raffles and plenty more fun. Get your tickets now & join in on the fun!
  - f. Teacher Appreciation Breakfast: Date Week of May 7 – **Lara Mor Zilberstein** No report at this time.
  - g. Parking Space Auction – **Kelli Yee/Susan Rowley/Brian Hamburger** School Administration erected new sign for this parking spot. Special February Parking Raffle will be held during Casino Night that allows parents to purchase raffle tickets at \$10 each, or 3 for \$25, or 6 for \$50 to “win the use of the HSA parking spot” for the month of February. Parents of Junior and Senior Students will be emailed with details how to participate.
  - h. Mock SAT/ACT – **Rosalind Ferstenberg** No report at this time.
    - *Spring Dates* TBD
  - i. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Moving On Celebration, Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm – **Chairperson Needed.**
  - j. School Logo Wear – **Nancy Raymond** Looking to work with local family company to expand our offerings via web site to include ties, polo shirts, scarves, etc. Stay tuned for more details.

#### 6. Other Business

- a. Ski club – Ski Club is running for this school year with reduced 3 trip schedule: Jan 19, Jan 26 and Feb 2. Students are excited to hit the slopes of Mountain Creek with their friends.
- b. Any other topics – Open discussion was held: Town Council held January meeting asking for volunteers to sign up for openings on various Municipal Boards. Contact Boro Hall if you are interested to help.

#### 7. Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm

Upcoming Events      Bryan School Tricky Tray on March 23  
                                  Merritt School GALA on April 26

#### Dates of Upcoming Meetings

Tues, Feb. 27, 2018    |    Tues, April 10, 2018    |    Tues, May 22, 2018    |    Tues., June 12, 2018