



**Sea Cliff PCA Meeting
January 8, 2020 7:00 p.m.
Sea Cliff School Library**

Attendance: Claudia Ames, Liz Baron, Courtney Chambers, Veronica Valli, Simone Sanchez, Laureen Collier, Shalini Desai, Nicole Ecker, Deborah Krivinsky, Jennifer Dornen, Ann-Marie Dornen, Dan McDermott, Juliette Peckham Guddat, Johanna McAdams, Milton Viana, Deirdre Leder, Lisa Colacioppo, Jessica Accetta, Tara Nakutavicius, Katharine Kletter, Courtney Cross, Cristina Price, Sandra Collins, Aimee Canzoniero Mitchell, Jennifer Kline O'Hare, Lauren Healy, Natasha Gordon.

I. PCA Updates

1. Welcome: Co-president Claudia Ames called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
2. PCA News: Claudia announced that there will be a newly scheduled PCA meeting on Wednesday, February 5th, at 8:45 in the morning in the school cafeteria. The purpose of the meeting is to amend the bylaws to add the enrichment program co-chairs to the executive board. Claudia also announced that the PCA executive board will be holding elections in the spring. Available positions include co-president, co-VP, secretary, co-enrichment chair, and two merchandise chairs.
3. Events: Veronica gave an overview of the upcoming PCA events, including:
 - Jamboree 1/31, auditions and practice the preceding week
 - Science Night 2/14
 - Casino Night 3/6 at the fire station
 - School Play 3/14
 - Movie Night 3/27
 - Piano Recital 5/1
 - Book Swap 5/26
 - Auction 5/15
4. Auction: Simone Sanchez discussed the auction, which will be held at the Sea Cliff Manor on May 15th. This is the PCA's biggest fundraising event and they are looking for volunteers and also donations for the auction. The auction funds academic events, the garden, the school play, enrichment activities, and staff appreciation events. Tickets are on sale now; please buy tickets now. Please let Simone or co-chair Johanna McAdams know if you know of anyone who would like to sponsor or donate.

II. Grade Happenings

Please see attached report.

III. Principal's Report

Mrs. Wojcik thanked the audience for attending the PCA meeting. She announced that the Shared Decision Making committee is working on a family website for families new to the school and community. They are also working on implementing a program called "Buddy Families" who can mentor new families in the school/community.

Mrs. Wojcik announced that two new programs are coming to Sea Cliff: "Beautiful Me" for girls in grades 3-5 and "The Hero and Me" for boys in grades 3-5. Both are self-esteem and self-empowerment workshops teaching kids to be proud of who they are. On January 16th, there will be a parent overview of the programs at Glenwood Landing School for parents called "Raising A Beautiful Child" that parents are encouraged to attend.

IV. "Empowering Our Children To Be Problem Solvers" presentation

Hosted by:

- Mr. Marc Fernandez, licensed marriage and family therapist
- Ms. Julie Glickman, Sea Cliff School social worker
- Ms. Carolyn DiPreta, Sea Cliff School counselor
- Mr. Dan Doherty, North Shore Director of Guidance

The four presenters gave an overview of the counseling department at North Shore Schools, as well as the social and emotional learning component in the district.