

Federated HSA Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2018

Byrd School

9:00 a.m.

Attendees: Andrea Silk, Mara Trager, Allisson Cassin, Sinear Rundell, Holly Goshin, Sara Mazin, Kristine Gifford, Bruce Watson, Bryon Torsiello, John Arlotta, Andrea Tahinos, Mona Milbrodt, Michelle Torpey, Lisa Torsiello, Jennifer Scherer, Nicole Redmond, Orlee Guldfeed, Anne Boyle

1. **Approval of the Minutes** – Approved by Holly Goshin and Anne Boyle
2. **Welcome – Mrs. Allison Cassin and Mrs. Sinead Rundell**
 - * Welcome to our final meeting at the year, hosted by Byrd school
3. **Special Guest – Mr. Jonathan Smolden, NJ Jets**
 - * Present a fundraising opportunity one time experience to raise money for the Federated HSA Board
 - * All school participation – one day
 - * Choose a game/date – pricing depends on game
 - * On-field access, before game, after game, professional pictures
 - * No cost to the school ahead of time
 - * Whatever you sell, you make
 - * Pick one game to promote
4. **Board Officer Updates**
 - a. **Presidents Report – Mrs. Allison Cassin and Mrs. Sinead Rundell**
 - * Thank you to Mr. Watson for joining the district this year
 - * Congratulations to Dr. Weber and Andrea Tahinos on their retirement
 - * Coffee talks this year were a success
 - * Proud of connection between the Federated HSA and the Board of Education

***Executive Board Members – rotating system**
Proposed 2018-2019 Federated HSA Executive Board
Co-Presidents: Erica Bratspies and Colleen Manley (Coleman)
Secretary: Kathy Duggan (MS/HS)
Treasurer: Michelle Schassberger (Central)
Calendar: Alexandra Schafer (Byrd)

Online Directory: Liz Sonzogni and Mara Trager (Hamilton)

- * Temporary Change to the 2018-19 bylaws:
 - Merging the secretary and website positions
 - Board of Ed rep

If it works, it will need to be voted on next year.

Vote: All in favor. 2018-2019 Federated HSA Executive Board was approved.

b. **Directory Report – Allison Cassin and Sinead Rundell (on behalf of Allisan Emes)**

- * Positive feedback and continue with it moving forward
- * Handbook takes a pause over the summer
- * Meeting on June 12th
- * Keep it working from a district wide point
- * Feedback: positive, but MS/HS membership dues down
- * Personal accountability to update your info, for example, add your email

c. **Calendar Report – Mrs. Holly Goshin-**

- * Transition to Alexandra Schafer
- * Calendar process being reviewed
- * MS/HS calendar to go from blocking out large chunks of dates, to being more specific up front
- * All elementary school and community use the stage space – difficult to coordinate

d. **Treasurer Report – Mrs. Sara Mazin**

- * No activity/expenses since the last meeting
- * Balance is \$3,626.49

e. **SEPAC Report – Mrs. Kristine Gifford**

- * District wide meeting – June 6th at 9:00a
- * Coleman Meeting on May 30th at 9:00 a.m.
- * Presented at Back to School Night to help break down the walls of Special Education
- * Set up an email address specifically at Coleman School with the SEPAC liaison to disseminate information

5. **District Update**

- * Busy Bee available for camp
- * Children 14 and over can apply in person for application. Important as staff can meet each applicant.
- * Community School has changed their day hours for 2s and 3s to accommodate space issues
- * New district position – Math Specialist, interviewing candidates
- School Safety - \$80,000 to be spend for upgrades in MS, BOE Sports lobby (cameras), Special Services office (double doors), outdoor camera and buzzers, additional swipes on doors, cameras for locker room hallways, cameras at bike rack

* In discussion with admin and board to improve the district wide safety committee to create building safety security teams rather than district wide

a. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Bruce Watson

* In light of recent bus accident, what are the district's plans/response? D+M has the exclusive contract for bus travel. Legislation may be changing regarding background checks for drivers. In practice, Glen Rock requests that there are seat belts in buses. All school buses have seatbelts; some coach buses have seatbelts.

* Permanent Superintendent –

* Space issues in the school are being discussed

* Referendum includes AC/Central School Auditorium, MS/HS Media Center/Hamilton Fields.

June 18th – meeting with architect. Board votes now – public votes next year

* 90 minute delay/staggered delay for Elementary/MS/HS in future

* Change in policy for varsity letters. Recognize non-athletic participation with slightly different design as long as club/group has competition with outside school. Example: Robotics Club, Debate Club, Biology Club.

* Elementary Math Specialist has been hired and in the future, looking to hire a Literacy Specialist. More content specialists are needed. Dr. Kathy Reegan is content specialist for K-12 but overloaded.

* Down the road, an Asst. Superintendant may be needed

* Glen Rock is not ranked nationally. Even though it is in the top 1-3% of NJ schools.

b. Board of Education Report – Mr. Bryon Torsiello

* Mr. Watson's contract was renewed for the 2nd year – he has a complete understanding of the Glen Rock School District

* Provide quotes and bid specs to Superintendant Search Companies

* Process takes 9-12 months.

* Search committee: Rona McNabola, Kevin Brennan, Bryon Torsiello

* Retirements:

- Andrea Tahinos – Community School. New Hire: Alison Denolba

- Linda Weber – Byrd Principal. New Hire: Vice Principal of 4 Elementary Schools in Tenafly

6. Motion to Adjourn – 11:30 a.m. by Sara Mazin and Michelle Torpey