

Minutes of the February 23/ 2012
Tappan lee High School PTSALibrary

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM.

Principial Report:

We do not qualify for the Upward Bound Grant which target students who are socio-economically challenged.

RCC will be doing a presentation on their "College in High School Program". TIHS teachers would teach these classes which would target students who are not sure about going on to a 2 or 4 year college.

SOCASA will be sponsoring a prescription drug assembly on Feb. 14th.

Many students are using the library printers to print out homework. The cost of toner cartridges is very expensive and paper usage is very high. Administration is looking into this.

Assistant Principal's Report:

March 1st a college financial aid meeting will be held in the Band Room.

March 10th a county wide math conference for teachers will be held at TIHS.

Items discussed with the principals:

The second quarter report card did not show the 1 semester grades/ but listed the 2nd semester course. The grade for the 1st semester classes could be found in grade history. Can this be fixed?

Can teachers post their offices hours? A student was told to meet their teacher at duty spot. Honor Society students are supposed to do tutoring during their open periods/ but many students needing help do not take advantage of this.

Are there any guidelines for teachers returning homework or classwork to students?

One student did not understand a science concept and did not realize it until several labs were returned.

A motion to amend the bylaws to have student memberships be \$5 and adults remain at \$15 was made by Denise Maguire and carried.

SOMS has a debate club which participates in a league/ is there a high school debate leagues? The high school does not have one. Students would have to find an advisor and administration would have to approve. Mid Hudson Debate League is for the high school level.

A motion was made by Ron Shapiro to accept December's minutes *and carried by all.*

President's Report:

March 27th an Internet Safety Presentation will be held at SOMS Library at 7 PM.

The district is looking at changing mileage limits to the following:

SOMS less than a mile and a half from the school will not get the bus.

TIE and Cottage Lane less than a mile from the school will not get a bus.

For safety reasons Grades K & 1 may move to TIE and Grades 2 & 3 may move to WOS.

WOS is safer to walk to than TIE. School start times may be changed at the elementary level if not as many buses will be needed due to change in mileage limits.

Seniors have chosen the entertainment for Project Grad. The t-shirt and program design contest will end mid March and the winner chosen at the end of March. The donation letter will be going out by Feb. 20th.

PTSA scholarship applications are due by March 2^{ih}. The committee is trying to do a night out at Del'Arte as a fundraiser.

A Chemistry Honors class will be offered in the fall of 2012. One question is who will teach the class because the science department was never in favor of offering this class.

Teachers opposed are now willing to teach the class. Would this be a good match?

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:30 by Marybeth Carley and was accepted by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mart