

Vernon Township High School
SCA ZOOM Meeting Minutes
OCTOBER 20, 2022

Attendees: Dayna Germinario, Dianne Falcone, Joanne Jarosz-Quaranta, Pam Zachowski, Jennifer Pellett & Lindsay LeDuc Young

The meeting commenced with the flag salute at 12:34pm.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved by Pam Zachowski and seconded by Dianne Falcone.

Treasurer's Report: September's report: Starting balance \$4,754.65. Ending balance \$5,039.44. Joanne will send us an updated report asap, in error this report was missing the bingo deposits and Keith Hawkins donation.

Old/On going Business:

- Future Spring Bingo dates 3/24/22 and 4/21/22. We need to speak with Bill Foley as soon as he gets the sports calendar for the 2023-24 school year so we can choose next years bingo dates in advance, so as to not coincide with away games. Both fall bingo dates this year ended up coinciding with away football games. We think that affected attendance as it was slightly low in Sept with 94 in attendance (there was a Jefferson away game) and 127 in attendance for October's bingo (the away game was in High Point). In years past, our first bingo games of the year generate the most attendance.

New Business:

- Jennifer Pellet, from the Board of Education, joined our meeting. She is running for reelection and wanted to join the meeting to see if there was anything we needed or if we had any questions. She mentioned there will be a student representative on the board. A senior of VTHS was selected. 16 students ran, over 400 students voted. Congratulations Collin Geisen. Electing a student representative is mandated by the State of NJ
- VTHS SCA Classic Car show, we are going to set up a separate meeting to discuss progress and moving forward. Mark your calendar: Sunday, May 21, 2023 with a rain date of Sunday June 4, 2023
- Pam provided us with details from the ESCA's SCA meeting earlier this week:

- Ladies Night Out was discussed: April 14, 2022 (Spring Break Friday), the name may be changed to be more inclusive
- Warwick is once again the assigned location for the VTHS SCA to solicit donations for LNO
- There is a \$250 fee for each school to contribute to LNO and for the first time, asked to donate a gift to LNO that is equivalent to approximately \$1 per student in the school. Since VTHS has over 900 students in total, we plan on shopping around during Black Friday sales to get a good sale price on an item that totals between \$900 and \$1000 retail.
- The ESCA Calendar raffle will run Jan - Mar at \$10 per ticket. Each school will have a minimum number of tickets to sell and tickets/winners will be pulled monthly. We will need to secure someone to be responsible for VTHS sales
- Spirit days are 10/28 and 11/23
- Reminder about Smile Amazon. Amazon shoppers can log into www.smile.amazon.com and elect to have proceeds to go to a specific charity. By choosing Vernon Township School & Community Association, a percentage of the sale will be donated back to the ESCA, at no additional cost to the shopper, which in turn benefits the schools, students, and faculty of the Vernon Township School District
- Ginger and Anna need a copy of minutes each month prior to the next month's meeting

Principal's Report (Mrs. LeDuc Young joined us midway through the meeting):

- Last night we had kids come out to the Warwick Drive-In. The Board of Ed sponsored drive in movie night. It was a chilly night but there was a good turn out. Students decorated their trunks for Halloween.
- Paint the parking spots went well! Seniors were ecstatic and had a great time. This was the first time this was offered to seniors. Principal LeDuc Young felt it would make it easier with finding spots if they each had a designated spot that they painted. Pizza was provided. Some students took days to paint their spots, but they came out great!
- Halloween costumes are being reintroduced to VTHS for the first time in over a decade. A costume contest will be hosted as well as a Thriller Dance instruction. Free breakfast will be given to the contest winners. There will be 4 most creative categories. The rest of October should be a lot of fun.
- Red Ribbon Week is next week

- Therapy dogs come in every Wednesday

Motion to adjourn at 1:09pm by Dayna Germinario and seconded by Pam Zachowski.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna Germinario / Recording Secretary