

Academy of Allied Health & Science
PSFA Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 13th, 2024



This meeting was held remotely on zoom.

Attendees:

Faculty

Mr. Mucciarone, Principal

Mr. Benson, Teacher Representative

PSFA

Co-President - Louise Musilli

Co-President - Paul Patton

Treasurer – Donna Smith

Co-VP - Nancy Cizin

CO-VP - Seema Mehta

CO-Communications secretary - Eun Young Taylor

CO-Communications secretary - Geeta Brana

Co- Recording Secretary – Gauri Raina

Co- Recording Secretary – Mary Catherine Guba

Students

Kira Zimmer

+approx. 30 attendees

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm. Paul Paton was the MC.

2. Principal's Report - Mr. Mucciarone

- Good evening. Hope everyone had a good snow day.
- Due to snow day, Friday of Memorial Day weekend, 05/24 becomes a school day.

- Snow day on the 01/19 will be made up this Friday the 02/16.
- Students finished their 1st semester on 01/26 and 2nd semester started on 01/29.
- The CTE teachers (Allied health and science teachers) organized a career day activity on 02/06 which involved juniors presenting to freshman about how to have a successful sophomore rotation. Seniors (16) made presentations about their mentorships to the Juniors and Sophomores – these were targeted differently as the juniors will be making decisions in the next few months. The presentations were aimed to help prepare for the experience/the capstone experience at Allied.
- On 02/09, Seniors hosted a very successful Winter semiformal. Thankyou Ms. Musilli, Mrs. Waxman, Mrs. Wella for your help.
- Mock trial club did very well at the county competition. Members of the science club participated at Rutgers competition – did very well.
- Any more snow days will push the last day of school and graduation day, which is currently on 06/18. Graduation will be at Biotech either on the 18th or 19th. There are 4 schools that will use the space and order is being discussed.
- 02/19 – No school due to Presidents’ Day.
- 02/23 - Science club will host a scout night @ Allied.
- 03/01 – Winter concert – parents invited.
- 03/08 – International fest – school day event.
- 03/29 – Spring break starts.
- 04/10 and 04/11 - 2nd semester midterms.
- Wishing an enjoyable Valentines Day to everyone!

3. Teacher Representative’s Report – Mr. Chris Benson (Teacher Liaison)

- See Appendix

4. Student Representative’s Report – Kira Zimmer (Student Rep)

- Thankyou to all parents for donations and chaperoning at the Winter Semi Formal.
- Reminder to the Senior parents to remind their kids to buy the senior sweatshirts – link sent.
- Biology Seniors hosted engaging seminars on research topics that they did literature review on.

5. PSFA Business

PSFA Treasurer’s Report – Donna Smith

Please see Appendix.

Fundraising Update

- **Paver Project**

This is a high priority fundraising project. It's on the Facebook page – target is 50 pavers - \$50 upfront and \$150 more when the paver is ready – great way to celebrate teachers or family members/legacy to leave behind/fitting graduation present. High quality pavers.

To all the parents - Please share any fundraising ideas that you may have. You can email Louise or Paul or other board members. This will not necessarily entail volunteer work – if there are ideas from siblings/friends at other schools, please feel free to share.

QUESTION – Do we have a spring basket fundraiser this year?

Reply – Not this year.

- **Spring parents get together** – Thursday, 03/07 in Freehold @ Moores Tavern @ 6pm. Email to RSVP. All are welcome!

- **SAT prep course**

High schools offer SAT prep courses as part of the curriculum. Few companies were approached for SAT prep classes for the PSFA members as a perk for better pricing. They are putting quotes. More details to follow.

Comment – PM Tutoring in Old Bridge is owned by a former Allied student. Could speak with him regarding SAT classes.

- **Announcements**

- Meeting day/times have been changed going forward to Wednesdays at 8pm. The next meeting will be on 03/13 at 8pm.
- Looking to move the date for the incoming freshman orientation picnic to June from August. There may be another small event in August before school starts.
- The PSFA has launched a new Instagram page.

QUESTION – Is there a change in school timings for next school year?

Reply – No.

6. Adjournment around 7:30

NEXT MEETING – March 13th, 2024 @ 8 PM

Thank you for joining us!

If you have any PSFA-related questions, please feel free to contact us at

aaahs.psfa@gmail.com

APPENDIX

TEACHER'S REPORT

9 th grade, Class 2027 –	10 th grade, Class 2026 –	11 th grade, Class 2025 –	12 th grade, Class 2024 –
Advisors: Mrs. Reilly & Mrs. Fitzsimmons	Advisors: Mrs. McLaughlin & Mrs. Orr -	Advisors: Mrs. Riehl & Mrs. Reichelt -	Advisors: Mr. Glass & Mrs. Devlin -
Student Council / School-wide (Mr. Benson):			

Clubs	
Youth Wellness Club (Mrs. Garguilo)	
AAHS Yearbook (DiCostanzo/Pitman/Devlin)	
Science Club (Ms. Reilly)	
Allied Art Club (Mrs. Advensky)	
Key Club (Mrs. Riehl) sponsorship from Keyport Kiwanis	
4-H (Mrs. DiCostanzo / Mrs. Pitman)	
Academic Team (Quiz Bowl)	

Mr. DiSpigna / Mrs. Devlin)	
Pride Club (Mr. Glass / Mr. DiSpigna)	Will be hosting a Black History Month workshop this Thursday in the media center. In addition to celebrating contributions of Black Americans, students can compete in Black History Kahoot games and learn about local advocacy organizations.
HOSA Health Occupation Students of America rs. DiCostanzo / Mrs. Pitman)	
National Honor Society NHS (juniors & seniors only) (Mrs. Fitzsimmons)	Holding a food drive for Fulfill; running Feb 22 – Feb 29.
Model UN/Mock Trial (Mrs. Wilson)	
PULSE (Mr. Oberlin)	Will be publishing a hard copy of our literary magazine, Voices of Allied, later this week. There is a Winter Concert scheduled for Friday, March 1 st .

Departments:

Department	
Guidance	
Math	
Allied Health	

& Fitness	
Language	17 seniors achieved the NJ Seal of Biliteracy in Spanish; the four hour exam includes separate sections on reading, writing, listening and speaking.
Science	Last Saturday, 2/10/24, was the Rutgers' Brain Bee. This was our second year sending a contingent of students to the competition. Just as we did last year, Allied came away with first and third place. Charlie Solazzo, Class of 2025, placed first, won \$300, and will advance to the Nationals in Central Florida. Siddharth Rajakumar, Class of 2025, placed third place and won \$100. Science Club will be hosting a STEM night for the Boy Scouts of America, Monmouth Council, Pack 143 on Friday, February 23, at Allied. They will also be performing a STEM community outreach event on March 16, NJ Makers' Day at the Middletown Library.
Tech	
English	
History	
School Nurse	

Treasurer's Report

Highlights

Expenses / Disbursements:

- Immaterial expenses this report.

Income:

- Apparel sales of \$859. Mostly related to polo shirt sales.
- Paver project deposits of \$350. Currently 7 pavers are reserved.
- PSFA membership dues of \$271.
- Drivers' education fees for 2nd session of \$2,240. Have not paid the instructor at this point.

Expenses	Proposed 23/24	YTD
Apparel	\$10,000.00	\$6,916.75
Beautification	\$30.00	\$0.00
Color Wars	\$2,700.00	\$0.00
Seniors' caps and gowns	\$1,300.00	\$1,260.35
Events - Senior	\$4,700.00	\$0.00
Events - Junior	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Events - Sophomore	\$2,000.00	\$1,477.00
Events - Freshmen	\$2,000.00	\$1,055.00
Faculty Gifts (retirement, nurse, assistants, counselors)	\$600.00	\$173.51
Fundraising	\$200.00	\$1,347.29
Grants	\$5,000.00	\$1,086.50
Guest Speaker	\$900.00	\$900.00
Hospitality	\$1,000.00	\$580.88
Picnic	\$800.00	\$1,022.36
Student agendas	\$900.00	\$894.76
Teacher Appreciation Week	\$500.00	\$0.00
Teacher Breakfast	\$250.00	\$259.37
Teacher Holiday Lunch	\$500.00	\$580.58
Club Stipend	\$7,362.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$1,000.00	\$1,600.00
Operating Expenses	\$1,400.00	\$904.77
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$45,142.00	\$22,059.12

Income	Projected 23/24	YTD
AAHS Clothing	\$10,000.00	\$6,756.06
Fundraising	\$7,600.00	\$4,098.95
PSFA Membership	\$5,000.00	\$4,646.94
Donations	\$0.00	\$2,892.21
Drivers Ed	\$1,000.00	\$5,760.00
Lawn Signs	\$500.00	\$0.00
Bank interest	\$30.00	\$36.97
From Reserves	\$21,012.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$45,142.00	\$24,191.13
Expenses vs Income	\$0.00	\$2,132.01

If you would like to donate to the PSFA, please remember that we are a 501(c)(3) organization and hence your contribution will be tax deductible if you itemize. Also consider requesting a matching gift if your employer offers such a scheme.

We thank you all for your continued support.