

Coordinating Council Meeting  
January 20, 2016

Flag Salute 9:37 AM

Presidents Welcome 9:39 AM

Secretary: Minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurer: Full Report will be given at the April meeting.

President's Report - The 501(c)(3) has officially been filed this week.

The president and treasurer met with accountants to get a number to use for the 501(c)(3) so that each PTO will be able to use tax-free status for PTO events.

Our accountant who has the power of attorney will be meeting with PTO's for financial reports which need to be done.

Mrs McKay - Superintendent for Ramapo high school and Indian Hills high school.

She reported that the one to one laptop initiative will be continuing in the high schools. Students will receive a MacBook air. The goals of both high school wellness programs are continuing.

There is a yoga, fitness, nutrition, and mental health program in place.

Mrs. McKay introduced Mr. Charles Wolf, who is the head of safety and security. He is reaching out to K- eight and high schools to make sure that all safety strategies will be the same across all grade levels.

Mr. Charles Wolf- is employed by the district. There are eight part-time security officers located in the high schools. He spoke about the "swatting incident" which took place on January 19. Nine local schools received an anonymous call which prompted "shelter in place."

"Shelter in Place" is instituted for numerous events. It gives time for security to assess the situation. Students stay put, which creates a calm in the building until the situation can be resolved. Mr. Wolf took questions from the audience.

Mr. Kuder- Superintendent - reported that we are working closely with Mr. Wolf. He updated emergency manuals for all schools. The planning board for next year will be meeting. There is a facilities project underway with air-conditioning and heating ventilation being made equitable in all buildings. EMS will be looking at using the stage in the cafeteria to create a STEM lab. Mr. Kuder reported that PARCC will have changes made to the test, and it will be administered this year. It will be renamed New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

Mr. Collins - IHHS Reported that there was a chemical spill in the high school at approximately 7 AM on December 10. It was located in the science wing, which was evacuated and "Shelter in Place" was instituted. Mr. Collins also reported that there are 21 PLC's at Indian Hills High School. The fall sports season went very well, and they are state champs for cross country. Indian Hills had three athletes of the week, and their soccer team (both boys and girls) did very well. He then read his top 10 list.

Dr. Moore - Ramapoo High School reported that there are two authors amongst his faculty. He gave a highlight of Ramapo High School's sporting events. In Language Arts, students are

learning about academic nonfiction. By junior year, Dr. Moore would like all students to be published.

Due to the lateness of the meeting, there were no President report, Principal reports, or PTO reports.

WEF will be held on March 12. Tickets are available. The Economy Shop has sent \$2800 to each school. They are lacking elementary school volunteers, and would like each school to sign up to volunteer to work.

EMS is working on their next 3R's Day which will be held in October, 2018. They are seeking two parents to become chair people for this event. The previous chairs will be available to help anyone who would like to take on this responsibility.

The meeting closed at 10:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted by, Cathleen Cahn