



# FAIRFIELD HSA

Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2024

*MEETING START TIME: 7:07pm*

*MOTION: Melissa Podeia SECOND: Tyler Masterson*

1. Welcome & Introductions: Co-Presidents Cynthia Caraballo & Camille Lozito
  - **WELCOME** - welcome everyone - including our members, BOE, and Fairfield staff & thank you for coming!
  - **Teacher Reps**
    - Teachers reported they were happy to participate in the Color Run. They also thanked HSA for the snack cart and reported they were finally able to use the Stevenson mascot for an assembly.
2. Recording Secretary's Report: Recording Secretary Tasha Pipitone
  - **Meeting Minutes APPROVAL** - minutes from our last meeting February 28, 2024 were read and accepted. Copies of all minutes can be found on our website 10 days after meeting.
  - **Sign In** -tonight & at all events (if no sheet, send email to [ContactUs@FairfieldHSA.org](mailto:ContactUs@FairfieldHSA.org))
  - **Join the HSA** - If you have not become a member, you can join for \$15 per family
3. Corresponding Secretary's Report: Corresponding Secretary Jen Melone (Presented by Cynthia Caraballo)
  - REPORT on Sunshine account
  - acknowledgements & Thank You's

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4. Treasurer's Report: Marlaina Burzinski (Presented by Cynthia Caraballo)
  - REPORT on general & fundraiser accounts (copies available upon request)

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5. On-Going Business/Old Business: Nicole Sudol, Co-Vice President Director of Technology

- **STAY CONNECTED:** Facebook (Fairfield HSA), Instagram (Fairfield\_HSA), Website (FairfieldHSA.org), Join Email List. Please check your spam/junk folders and on gmail, check updates & promotion tabs; we also recommend to ADD our email address to your contacts or address book so they're not identified as spam; AND, **check your child(ren)'s folder & backpack!**
- **SUPPORT HSA:**
  - Box Tops \$112.60 as of 3/25/2024. Please continue to scan or upload your receipt on the app. Valid stores are Costco, CVS, Walgreens, Target, any grocery stores.
  - Spirit wear - Water Bottles \$12, Croc charms (1/\$5 or 2/\$8), some hoodies/tshirts/fleeces and lunch bags \$12 each

## 6. Fundraising Events: Porzia Oliva, Co-Vice President Director of Fundraising

- **Mindfulnest Co Fundraiser** still going on until the end of month. If you sign up and use FairfieldHSA you get 10% off and we get 10%.
- **Color Run** was this past Sunday on March 24. It was an amazing and successful community event. We had over 550 registered participants and about 50 volunteers. We were humbled and grateful by the turnout. We do not have an exact profit yet but believe it is over \$12.5K and will confirm next month. Just waiting on the final pledges still coming in and the food trucks. We would again like to thank
  - Township of Fairfield - Mayor Galese, James Gasparini, Denise Cafone, Jodi Barroso
  - Fairfield Recreation Complex - Tony Pompei, Barbara Luzzi and Lynn Struss for their support
  - Fairfield Police Dept. - Chief Manna and Captain Dias
  - EMT
  - Fairfield Public Schools Staff, the FEF, and the BOE - Anthony DePasquale and Melinda Street
  - Sponsors
    - Fairfield NJ Chapter of Unico
    - Michael Lattimer & Frank LaMorte of Lattimer Realty
    - Anthony Gennarelli & Sons Constructions LLC
    - Lighting Trends
  - Volunteers
    - students of West Essex organized by Andrea Llauget
    - CCD students of St. Thomas Moore organized by Donna Cifell.
    - HSA parent Volunteers
  - Clean up crew
    - Manning Landscape & Design
    - Oliva Property Services and Year Round Landscaping
  - Registered Participants & Donors
  - Student who collected the most pledges was Arianna Strazza so she will receive the \$500 Amazon Gift Card.

## 7. Recent & Current Events: Co-Presidents Cynthia Caraballo & Camille Lozito

- **Book Fair -**
  - **Stevenson** - held March 5-7. Thank you to Jill Tuosto, Danielle Barcia, Deanna Simmons, Denise Clifford, Sabrina Cosentino and Tasha Pipitone for Chairing. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered and helped. We do not have the profits yet, but will share that next month.
  - **Churchill** - held March 12-14. Thank you to Michelle Hartman and Marlaina Burzinski for chairing and all the parents who volunteered and helped. We do not have the profits yet, but will share that next month.
- **Brain Show** HSA hosted the Brain Show for Churchill on Monday 3/11/24 and Stevenson 3/12/24 and the kids had a lot of fun
- **Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser** - 6th Gr Committee hosted the Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser. Pick up was last Wednesday, March 20. Thank you to Connie, Melinda, Dana, Amanda, and Dina. 6th Grade Fundraiser profited approximately \$3600 toward the end of school 6th gr activities.

#### 8. New Business & Committees: Co-Presidents Cynthia Caraballo & Camille Lozito

- **Snack Cart Committee** - March snack cart pictures on social media Greatly appreciated by the staff. Thank you to our liaisons.
  - Stevenson - Marissa LaMorte and Jaime Matheison for their “our staff is a slam dunk” - March madness theme.
  - Churchill- Lorraine Sotomayor, Lindsay Lagan, and Melissa Foord for their “We are Lucky to have our staff” with St. Patrick’s day theme
- **Reptile Show** - HSA is hosting a reptile assembly at Churchill on Tuesday 4/9/24
- **Career Day Churchill**- 4/19/2024 - HSA will be sponsoring this event with a welcome breakfast, an assembly, & decorations. Thank you to Alisson Measso for chairing.
- **Spring Fundraiser** - Tickets are now on sale **online** for our Tricky Tray Fundraiser May 15, at the Mansion at Mountain Lakes. 3 types of Tickets. Gold is \$75 admission dinner and a sheet of level 1 tickets, Platinum - \$100 dinner, admission and more tickets, and Diamond \$125 admission, dinner and even more tickets! Doors open 6:15pm. Drawing starts at 8pm. To purchase, go to [Fairfieldhsa.org](http://Fairfieldhsa.org). You will be able to order online only, similar to color run which we heard was easier for people this way. Please try to have your group order as one as this will be easier for tracking and creating tables. There are processing fees about \$5 per ticket. Also, on the Fairfield HSA website are donation forms if you want to donate as a family, group of friends or if you know a business. Thank you to Melissa Foord for chairing and the committee who will make it a fantastic evening and they have already secured some amazing prizes! Keep an eye out on social media as we will share and give a sneak peak as the event gets closer. If anyone is interested in soliciting please reach out to Melissa.
- **6th Grade Upcoming Events** - 6th grade parents to note on calendar
  - WE Regional Dance/Social - 5/17/2024 7-9PM, WE Middle School Gym
  - Kickball Tournament - 5/22/2024 in North Caldwell
  - Jeff Lakes - TENTATIVE 6/3/2024
  - 6th Gr Move Up Day 6/7/24
  - Class Dance - 6/19/2024 @ the Grand in Totowa.

NOTE: this is a PARENT EVENT (school or HSA will have no info) Tickets are for sale tonight outside of HSA meeting. Please contact Tiffany Salvato or Danielle Barcia with questions.

Next meeting, April 24, 2024 at 7PM, Churchill Media Center.

*MEETING ADJOURNED TIME: 7:22pm*

*MOTION: Melissa Foord SECOND: Kristen DePatria*