

Hawthorne Municipal Alliance Committee Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2013

Present: Irina Carrasco, Matthew Corvo, Mayor Rich Goldberg, Joanne J. Graziano, Councilman Dom Mele, Robert Mooney: Superintendent of Schools, Kathie O'Dowd, Helen Pasquale, Lorraine Powell, Sherrine Schuldt, Emily Spina, Jayne Ten Kate

Called to Order: 4:05 pm

- Flag Salute
- Moment of Silence - Walter Porter

Topics Addressed:

- **Passaic County Grant Contract 2013** - Mrs. Powell informed the committee of the 2013 grant that was awarded to Hawthorne. All the proper paperwork has been filed, and a resolution has been passed to accept the grant monies.
- **UPinPC** - Mrs. Schuldt addressed the committee and stated that the final stages of this Coalition are being put into place. The next meeting will take place on June 6, 2013 at WPUNJ. All Alliance members are encouraged to attend since Officers for this Coalition will be elected. Mayor Goldberg will remain as the Chairperson. A flyer was distributed with registration information and specifics of the program for that day.
- **Peer Leader Update** - Mr. Corvo updated the Committee on the activities of the Peer Leaders. The Teen Summit was held on March 20, 2013 at WPUNJ and was well-attended by our Juniors and Seniors. It was an eye-opening experience and much interaction was demonstrated by all High School students throughout Passaic County. The Fairview Lakes trip will be held on April 5 which encompasses team-building skills as well as character-building activities.
- **Senior Citizen Activity** - Mrs. Ten Kate distributed to the committee a flyer speaking about this event. A newspaper release will be placed in the Hawthorne Press as well as contacting the various Senior Citizen groups within our community. Mrs. Spina will handle registration from St. Anthony's and keep Ms. Graziano

informed as to the number attending. Ms. Graziano stated that all HMAc members should attend because much help is needed at this event. Ms. Graziano also gave out shirts which portray the HMAc logo and encouraged all to wear their shirts on the day of this event.

- **By- Laws Committee** - Ms. Graziano will set up a meeting along with Mrs. Pasquale and Reverend Van Dyke to review our by-laws.
- **Donation Approval - High School Drama Department** - Ms. Graziano requested permission from the committee to donate \$250.00 to the High School Drama Department as a token of thanks for putting on this production as an activity of the Hawthorne Municipal Alliance. Through a unanimous vote, this was approved.
- **Donation Can Collections** - Ms. Graziano suggested the possibility of placing donation cans in various locations throughout Hawthorne. This would be in order to solicit funds for the Hawthorne Municipal Alliance to continue to carry out the programs that the Alliance currently provides for the good of the community. After some discussion, it was agreed upon to start up this endeavor and periodically check the cans at each of the specified locations. This will happen over the course of the next two months. Ms. Graziano thanked everyone for their support in whatever is asked of them.
- In closing, Ms. Graziano wished everyone a Happy Passover/Easter celebration and thanked everyone for making this committee such a great venue for showing community togetherness.
- With no other business coming before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.