



**Glen Meadow SCA
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 19, 2020**

Location: GMMS Teacher's Lounge - Rosemary Gebhardt, Principal & Host
9:39 a.m. - approximate start time

Glen Meadow SCA:		
President:	Katrine Lally	present
Vice President:		OPEN POSITION
Treasurer:	Donna Pych	-
Corresponding Secretary:	Clarissa Piper	present
Recording Secretary:		OPEN POSITION
Principal:	Rosemary Gebhardt	present
Other members in attendance:		
Pam McCann	Jen Remington	

This month's minutes were recorded by Pam McCann

- 1. & 2. Flag Salute & Meeting Called to Order** at approximately 9:39 am
- 3. Review & approve January 2019 minutes**

Motion to approve: Katrine Lally & Clarissa Piper
Approve: Unanimous approval

4. School Counseling Report - presented by Nicole Keane

- The counseling department is looking for donations of a variety of games & activities to offer students during indoor recess. The games may be, new or gently used board games, playing cards, doodle/coloring pages, markers and other non-tech activities. Donations are welcomed anytime.
- Green Team Donations are ongoing. Green Team is collecting a wide variety of clean and dry plastic films which are eventually shipped to Tyvek. Submit your donation to your child's homeroom. The homeroom with the highest collection will be recognized with pizza.

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Previously, Tyvek has rewarded GMMS with an outdoor bench because of the student collection effort.

- Language Arts classes worked on birthday cards for Helen Kaposi who is celebrating her 105th birthday at the end of this month. Additional birthday greeting cards may be sent to:
Helen Kaposi c/o From The Heart Elder Care
521 County Route 515, Vernon, NJ 07462
- Students are currently working on persuasive essays for submission to the Advertiser News.

5. Principal's Report - Mrs. Rosemary Gebhardt

- A. The January viewing of "Screen-agers" resulted in about 30 parents in attendance. In case you missed it, go to this link for more information:
<https://sites.google.com/vtsd.com/tech>
- B. ~~On March 6, GM will host its first Handball Tournament for 7th and 8th graders coordinated by DECA. Proceeds will benefit Good Grief, a non-profit support for grieving children. \$5 admission fee for participants. This is postponed...details to follow in the coming weeks~~

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- C. **Tech Free Days** are planned for once a month throughout the school. Teachers and Students are encouraged to use non-tech teaching methods on this day.

Also, every Tuesday in the cafeteria, students are tech-free. They are encouraged to talk, seek out board games, playing cards, doodle etc.

- D. **Game Night:** On Thursday, March 5, at 6:30 pm, the Glen Meadow Ambassadors will be hosting a 5th, 6th, and 7th grade Game Night. The Ambassadors have an evening of fun and games planned for all participants. This is also a way for our Lounsberry Hollow 5th graders to become familiar with the building and the peers that will be in their school next year. [Click here for the Game Night flyer.](#)

- E. Field Trips: Here's the information -

6th grade:

Raritan Valley Community College Planetarium
6th grade will be split into two groups.

One group will go to the Planetarium on May 20th and
the other group will go on May 21.

7th grade: Bronx Zoo on May 21st

8th grade: Hudson River Cruise on May 28th

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- B. For complete information regarding news at Glen Meadow, please click the link: [Principal's Blog](#)

6. Treasurer's Report

- a. December 2019 report submitted
 - Opening Balance: \$ 5,033.89
 - Ending Balance: \$ 7,646.14

- b. January 2020 report submitted
 - Opening Balance: \$ 7,646.14
 - Ending Balance: \$ 7,628.50

7. New Business

- a. **GM Dance Dates: 2/21 & 5/1**
 - i. Feb 21 "Hangout" dance night will be open to all GM Students. Water and chips will be available for a small fee. Chaperones welcome.
- b. **8th grade dance** - next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 20 @ 6:30.
 - i. The Tentative date for the dance is June 4, 2020.
- c. **Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser:**
 - i. This fundraiser is underway. Please contact the SCA if you need more information. .
- d. **Upcoming Dollar Days:**

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For a \$1 donation,

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3/10: Mario Day - dress like Nintendo's Mario!

4/8: Tacky Tourist Day - wear your tacky vacation clothes

5/4: May the 4th Be with You Day - wear StarWars themed items.

*Please remember that all clothing must meet the VTSD & Glen Meadow dress code.
Masks are not permitted.*

e. Ladies Night Out (LNO) - Friday, March 20, 2020 @ Minerals

- i. Seating reservations are now being accepted.
- ii. Solicitations: Volunteers are needed to go to local businesses and ask for donations. Form letters are provided.
- iii. GM 50/50 coordinator will be Stephanie Lukasik
- iv. Wrapping will take place at VTHS during the week of 3/16. All parents are welcome to assist.
- v. Raffle sales at local stores will be scheduled. Volunteers are needed.

SCA officers will guide any parent or guardian through these volunteer opportunities. It's a great way to help, meet others, and benefit the district.

f. ESCA Scholarship Reading Committee

Any parent/guardian of a VTSD student up through the student's junior year is welcome to evaluate essays submitted by VTHS

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Senior students. We are scheduled to meet on March 31, 2020 & April 1, 2020. We meet from 9 am to 1:30.

We typically award 15-20 scholarships a year to graduating seniors who qualify.

Training is provided. Please contact your SCA officers for more information or to register as a reader.

- g. The Executive SCA is looking for 7th AND 8th graders to volunteer at this year's Executive SCA Senior Citizen Dinner Theater at Vernon Township High School on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, after school.

8. Old Business

- a. **Ryan's Story:** 3/17/20 8:30 am, 1:30 pm & 6:30-8 pm

Parents are cordially invited on Tuesday, March 17, at 6:30 pm, to hear Mr. John Halligan talk about his son Ryan. Parents will be able to experience this program that students will see during the day. This is a poignant program presented by Mr. John Halligan who lost his son Ryan to suicide because he was bullied when he was 13 years old. Please visit [Ryan's Story](#) online to learn more about Mr. Halligan's campaign. This is a very important program for all parents. Please bring a friend! [Click here for the flyer with information on the program.](#)

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b. Tissues and wipes collection: The SCA is coordinating a collection for tissues and wipes for classroom use during the flu and cold season. Donations are accepted anytime.

9. Questions (& Comments)

10. Meeting Dates & Locations

3rd Wednesday of every month in the GMMS teacher's lounge

11. Adjournment:

Motion to Close: Jen Remington, Katrine Lally

Decision: Unanimous

Meeting closed at 10:33 am

Handouts:

- Treasurer's Report for December 2019 and January 2020

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