

CDSP General Meeting Minutes

35 Leroy Ave.

November 14, 2019, 9:30 am

In attendance: Julie Best, Sara Parent, Catherine Piorkowski, Shelley Sheridan, Carol Kennedy, Robin Nelson, Stacey Tie, Amy Daniels, Jenn Sherman, Adrienne Kelly, Alex Hall, Amy Zerbe, Ashley Hinchman, Beth Morgan, Byrne Pozzi, Ellen Abbotti, Jessica Bennett, Joanna Walsh, Kadi Lublin, Lori Olson, Marian Cope, Marina Carey, Raquel Bird, Sarah Madson, Stacey Tie, Tara Wurm, Kristen Croker Fiordalis, Kelly Scallon, Cristina Boudu, Ali Ramsteck, Cynthia Hall, Jill McCammon

Meeting called to order by Sara Parent at 9:35.

Vote to approve the minutes of October 10, 2019, by Julie Best; seconded by Adrienne Kelly.

Darien Human Services: Guest speakers Ali Ramsteck and Cynthia Hall came to speak about the Town of Darien Human Services. The Human Services department provides a wide variety of services for town residents from birth to death. All families/individuals who receive services have been vetted to assure there is a real need. Programs that were specifically highlighted include the Holiday Program, Thanksgiving Program, and Household Supply Closet. PTOs, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts are some of the groups that have a history of working in partnership with Human Services. PTOs in particular have donated new school spiritwear and provided ticket packages for school fairs. Human Services will continue to welcome any support from individuals or groups and asked CDSP members to spread the word.

Co-chair Update:

• Board of Education Update: New officers elected on November 12: Tara Ochman as Chair; Duke Dineen as vice chair; Deb Richie as secretary. The teacher contract was approved. There was a presentation about foriegn language. Also, Dr. Addley announced the District's intention to be part of a community conversation about hate symbols/anti-Semitism. CDSP will likely be involved in some way with this. November 14th the Facilities Committee met to discuss the master plan. There was discussion at