

# Hastings High School Liaison Meeting

## May 5, 2009

### Minutes

In Attendance: Lou Adipietro, Jeanette Kocur, Angela Pino, Jane Turkel, Wendy Naidich, Michele Noe, Barron Lerner, Jill Wellenbach, Sue Weinstein, Vicky Gould, Debbie Schoen

- **Guidance** – Ms. Jeanette Kocur: Ms. Kocur gave her impressions of this year's college application and acceptance process. Parents had many questions concerning trends, visits, criteria for entrance, and interviews. Ms. Kocur attempted to answer all questions. A request was made to see if Naviance can do a better job of disaggregating the graduation data. It was also pointed out that the application to the state schools were up 30-40 %. This could be attributed to the economic conditions. Ms. Kocur also gave a brief summary of the responsibilities of the guidance department and offered a breakdown by grade as well as by month.
- **Graduation** – Graduation Speaker this year will be Hastings High School graduate Andrew Berends. Berends is a documentary filmmaker who was detained in Nigeria while making his last film.
- **Fazio Field** – It was decided at the last Student Board Liaison meeting that the Lower Burke Baseball Field will be renamed in honor of Dr. Fazio. A dedication ceremony is being tentatively planned for May 22<sup>nd</sup>. More info to follow.
- **Year End Feedback** – Mr. Adipietro asked that parents provide feedback directly to him. The feedback would relate directly the 2008-2009 school year.
- **Budget** – the adopted budget calls for a .47 tax rate increase. Please get the word out. The PTSA will be working on this project.
- **Teacher Appreciation Luncheon** – The annual HS teacher appreciation sponsored by the PTSA will occur on June 5<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Wendy Naidich for information on how to help.