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### OCEANSIDE SEPTA Mission Statement

SEPTA is a Special Education Parent Teacher Association, whose members include: parents, caregivers, teachers, and therapists of exceptional children as well as other staff and members of the Oceanside School community. We sponsor workshops, speakers and events about a variety of issues and concerns of exceptional students and their families and their inclusion in our community. We keep abreast of recent educational legislation that affects our students. Anyone connected to the Oceanside school district is encouraged to join.

To provide a resource for information applicable to a wide variety of exceptional children presentations, workshops and the Internet. To improve communication between parents, school staff and administration. To be involved in decisions affecting exceptional children in the school community. To educate and sensitize the Oceanside School community to children who are differently abled.



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# \$pecial Education Parent Teacher Association

General Meeting & Workshop

September 15, 2010 7:00 PM @ School #5 2440 North Oceanside Road Oceanside, NY 11572

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2010-2011

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An exceptional PTA, for the exceptional student, parent & teacher.

AGENDA & MINUTES
Call to Order & WelcomePaulette Palmer
Pledge of AllegianceAssociation
Executive Board IntroductionPaulette Palmer
<u>REPORTS</u>
Minutes of 5/5/2010 Pat Block
Audit ReportDanielle Brooks
Treasurer's Report Vicky Caraciolo
Annual Report - Fiscal Year 2010-2011
Budget - Fiscal Year 2010-2011
President's ReportPaulette Palmer
Election of Nominations Committee
<ul> <li>Election of Bylaws Committee</li> </ul>
Vice President's Report Kathy Kaminsky
Vice President's Report Ellen Hisiger
Workshops Danielle Brooks
Advisor Dr. Jill DeRosa
Teacher Delegates
Old Business
New Business
Adjournment Next Meeting - 10/6

#### MINUTES

## MAY 5, 2010 meeting at SCHOOL #4's CAFETERIA

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m and the pledge was said.

SEPTA will order 650 calendars for next year (50 per PTA). A new format should make for easier reading. If additional calendars are requested, we'll send them out on consignment.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$9,616.85 as of April 2010

SEPTA was asked to help support the Circus at OMS and a Best Buddies event next year.

SEPTA is considering funding a new puppet and a new script for *Kids On The Block*.

The minutes from the last three SEPTA meetings were approved.

An audit committee of three people is needed. They will meet sometime this summer.

The **Autism Super Conference** begins tomorrow, May 6th in Huntington - everyone is welcome. Topics being considered for **next year's workshops** are:

ADHD - September Behavior & Bullying - October Dyslexia/Reading Disorders - November Special Ed. Expo - January Staff Appreciation - February Sensory Processing - March Autism - April OMRDD - May The slate for SEPTA's 2010-2011 Executive Board was welcomed in: President - Paulette Palmer Vice President Membership - Kathy Kaminsky Vice President Fundraising - Ellen Hisiger Treasurer - Vicki Caraciolo Recording Secretary - Pat Block Corresponding Secretary - Mary Messler Council Delegates - Shari Kwait & Diane Olmstead

Tonight's topic ,"**Understanding Your IEP**" was presented by Ilene Brandon, Paulette Palmer and Danielle Brooks.

The New York State Education Department is changing the format of IEP's. Your next year's annual review will generate the new IEP format for the following year.

The workshop provided productive ways to read your IEP, to evaluate its effectiveness, its support, and its goal towards reaching independence.

This last SEPTA meeting of the 2009-2010 school year ended at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Hollie Tommasino - Recording Secretary

## WORKSHOP

## ADHD?

Presented by Dr. Steven Aletkin

Dr. Aletkin is a Licensed Psychologist, an Adjunct Professor of Psychology at Adelphi University, the Clinical Director of CHADD (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders) since 1987, and in Private Practice. He specializes in the treatment of Child Behavior Disorders, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Depression, and Anxiety; as well as, Neuropsychological, Educational, Achievement, and Personality Assessments.

# Mini School Calendars!

