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7:00 PM**

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**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order and Welcome** – Joe Cappelletti, Chair
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call** – Joe Cappelletti, Lisa Cappelletti, Alexandria Naseef, Sarah Mirman, Owen Cappelletti
4. **Approval of Minutes**
5. **Discussion items:**
  - A. **Discuss Education Committee Mission statement.** Our primary focus is to be of service to local public schools and educational organizations, providing volunteer, financial and organizational support.
  - B. **Paula Greene, Milliken Middle School Assistant Principal,** presented needs of special education program serving kids having intense trauma. Brainstormed use of barren agricultural farm with pond on campus for gardening program as means to engage these students in need of purpose and connection.
  - C. **Jennifer De Lorenzo, Kester Elementary School Coordinator,** shared about Peace Project murals. Also, presented need for volunteers to assist with Tuesday after school (1:30-2:30pm) tutoring program. Certified teachers would be present, supervising volunteer activity. Alexandria could connect volunteers from Valley College with Jennifer. Discussed Beyond the Bell after school program which provides services for students needing to stay at school as late as 6pm. Hoping to add structured activities to

engage students for part of the time. Considering Purposes Grant as way to pay teachers to be present when student volunteers are on campus.

- D.** Lisa Cappelletti discussed connecting with **HELP Group** at School and Business Alliance Meeting and their need for volunteers. Alexandria could connect Valley College students with the HELP Group.
- E.** **Alexandria Naseef** presented power point on **Communities After High School (CAHS)**, a program she developed. The focus is on connecting HS students with potential post-graduation employment. She proposed a job Fair at Van Nuys High School as expose for Sherman Oaks Employers and students who live in Sherman Oaks. Alexandria has been coordinating with many businesses to participate in this event. (Unfortunately, this event has been on hold due to the pandemic).

6. **Announcements** – Next meeting 4/20, 6:30 pm

7. **Adjourn**