

**NSSD Nutrition Committee Mtg. Minutes of January 11, 2007, at 10:00 A.M.**

**Attendees:** Marge McCarrick; Catherine Lau; Agatha Nadel; Robyn Cartagine; Nancy Caporale

This meeting was called to order at 10:10 A.M., and was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.  
Minutes of previous meeting were accepted.

Dates of future committee meetings in the HS alumni room, set by Marge McCarrick, were announced as follows: [Please mark your calendars:]

TUESDAY, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:~~00~~**30** A.M.

THURSDAY, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 A.M. [since changed to March 20<sup>th</sup>]

THURSDAY, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M.

THURSDAY, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M.

TUESDAY, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M.

Agatha Nadel asked about the history of the *hairnet usage* situation in the cafeterias. MM responded that the new policy requires a hair restraint such as a hat or visor. Food service workers were offered the option of wearing either a hairnet or a hat. MM has witnessed [female] junior high students brushing their hair while in the food line, which may be a probable cause of loose hairs found in or on served food. A January 3<sup>rd</sup> memo was sent to all food service workers regarding the current policy as a reminder. A NY State Board Of Health representative also stopped in to observe and inspect the premises, and was satisfied with his findings.

*We sampled Organic Valley* lowfat milk from an 8-ounce bottled sample. It was unanimously approved, and one case will be added to all purchase areas at all schools. *Snapple drinks* have not been selling well at the Middle School; on the other hand, bottled water has been selling very well there. *Wadda Juice* (50% juice-water drink) is selling well in the elementary schools, and will also be introduced at the Middle School.

*A final draft of the Wellness Policy* has been received by MM, and copies were handed out to those present. We will be re-evaluating this policy at the end of this school year.

*The questions posed by members of the Executive Committee* regarding our submission of an allocation proposal for specialty foods was answered as follows, and will be forwarded to the committee c/o Bill Cameron, who forwarded the questions to me:

1. Is this to be a pilot program? *Yes, for a period of one 10-month school year.*
2. Will there be any additional charges to the students' meals? *No.*
3. How many items are proposed for purchase with the allocated money? *One specialty item per month will be planned; any leftover monies will be used for the purchase of an additional specialty item, e.g., seasonal star fruit or kiwi, at no additional charge to the students.*
4. The program will be presented to Ms. Olivia Buatsi, Asst. Supt./ Business. C.L.

