

Saint James School PTA Meeting
Cafeteria
December 18th, 2019
8:00AM

Opening Prayer

Recording Secretary's Report: Karen Haney

- Meeting notes from November were approved
- Attendance sheet was passed around

Principal's Report: Mrs. Giordano

- Thank you for Breakfast with Santa. Father Ariel attended the event. The time, effort and food provided to make the event successful were greatly appreciated.
- SJAA is looking for 1 or 2 more volunteers to be Spring softball and lacrosse coaches. Clinics and practices will be offered around league games.
- A tennis clinic will be offered in the spring as well.
- A Color Run is being considered as a fundraiser. We need someone to step up and chair the event. Venues need to be considered, Monmouth Country Parks may be an option. One full weekend would be required to offer a race date and a rain date.
- Other fundraisers were discussed and being considered.
- January 17th-24th are the proposed dates for Spring sports registration. A flyer about registration may be published Wednesday, January 15th.
- Next Renaissance testing dates will be in January. Students will be tested by grade in the computer lab.
- The Progressive Raffle made \$9,315.00 in profit.
- During Catholic Schools week, January 26th-31st, the PTA will host a light breakfast for teachers on January 30th. A budget of \$200.00 was proposed by Liz Sutphin and approved. Brennan's of Rumson is a possibility. Received positive feedback on their "yogurt bar" is a possibility. Brian Hans (Saint James Family) is the point of contact.

Co-President's Report: Liz Sutphin

- 77 stocking stuffers went home on Friday, December 20th. PTA sold \$1,000.00 in teacher experiences. Breakfast with Santa made \$920.00 at the door. The holiday activities generated approx. \$4115.00 before expenses.
- Tania, Liz and Mrs. Giordano will meet to plan the 2nd half of the year. Chairs and volunteers are absolutely needed.
- During this report, Suzanne Fixsen shared three ideas with pricing details for large fundraisers: Shake Shack Charity Give Back Night, a Golf Outing at Beacon Hill Country Club (which has potential to be a joint event hosted by PTA and SJAA), and Radio Bingo.

Co-Vice President's Report: Anita Esser

- Mother's Club is going well and working on a spa idea for January.
- Used Uniform Sale- January 31st from 9:00AM-10:00AM – to coincide with the Open House 9:30AM - 11:00AM. Set up will be January 29th in the morning.

Treasurer's Report: Jennifer Schimpf (not present)

- Balance is \$35,477.80. \$43,909.00 in deposits. \$8,432.10 in payments.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Samantha Fogliano (not present) nothing currently

Hospitality Committee Report: Alina Fotache (not present, given by Ann Clark)

- Next Bagel Day is January 22nd.
- Ann Clark will pick up the bagels. Needed is someone to handle the day and manage volunteers.

Technology Report: Susan Marino:

- No eBlast will be published December 22nd and 29th. Next eBlast will be January 5th.
- Skating event will need proof of insurance. Mrs. Giordano will provide it.

Spirituality and Care Steps Report: Jen Marlin (not present, given by Liz)

- Caring Cooks went well
- To date, \$801.70 in box tops have been collected.
- Next collection date is February 17th. Let's send a reminder to parents to clip and scan box tops and post in the weekly reminders.

PTA Family Commitment: Susan Falco (not present)

SJAA Report: Jen Heaton

- Sam Fogliano is the new track coach for Spring
- Apparel sale went well! Merchandise was well organized and of good quality. Made \$420.00 in profit.
- Sell the popular teddy coat in the Spring
- Put apparel items in case for display

Royals Report: Travis Sutphin, President (not present, given by Chuck Pugliese, VP)

- Polar Plunge flyer was sent. T-shirts, \$5 per shirt, are made.
- Next Royals meeting is January 19th at 7:00PM at Brothers.

Fundraising & Special Events: Ali Farro, Book Fair report by Noelle Fitzpatrick + Shari Gagliardo

- Book Fair – 2 ½ days total. \$5200.00 gross profits. AFB collected \$1400.00 in change.
- The class that collected the most change will be awarded a pizza party + sneaker dress down day.
- Between 118-120 books were donated back to the school. Books for auction baskets were also purchased.
- All students attending the Book Fair were very kind and polite.
- April Book Fair – Bridge of Books. Students needed to sort books for volunteer hours.
- After School Clubs – Tuesdays + Thursday in February for 2 ½ hours. Tricia Sirocco, Suzanne Fixsen, Maureen Foley, and Natalie Carpenter have all volunteered. What clubs + how many volunteers needed?

Open Discussion: N/A

Attendance

Mrs. Giordano	Principal
Liz Sutphin	Co-President
Anita Esser	Vice President
Chuck Pugliese	Royals VP
Jennifer Heaton	SJAA
Susan Marino	Technology
Ali Faro	Fundraising & Special Events
Karen Haney	Recording Secretary

Parents

Ann Clark	Hospitality / Parent
Noelle Fitzpatrick	Parent
Suzanne Fixen	Parent
Shari Gagliardo	Book Fair / Parent
Jolene Suth	Parent