

Saint James School PTA Meeting
Cafeteria
November 13, 2019
7:00P

Opening Prayer

Recording Secretary's Report: Karen Haney

- Meeting notes from October were approved by Liz and Tania
- Attendance sheet was passed around

Royals Report: Travis Sutphin

- Basketball Blowout – asking for volunteers who can help. Pizza from Federico's and 8 oz. bottles of water will be sold. Pizza will arrive at 5:30P, need 2 dads to serve. Requests that a flier be created for the Eblast, thanking Federico's and the Mazza family. Schedule is set just need a wireless mic. Students should wear their fall sports jerseys/ Basketball players can wear them to school.
- Polar Plunge – Business sponsor forms @ \$300 & \$600 level and registration forms are approved. Deadline for sponsors, January 6. Funds cover 50% of PTA commitment fee. Sale cap at \$100.00 for big families. There will be family, grade, and class competitions. T-shirts are being donated, will need to pay for the silk screening. Goal is to raise \$30K. Friday January 10th, 2020 – Pep Rally for Polar Plunge. – T-Shirt pick up on January 24th btw 3P-6P. Plunge date is January 26. Registration closes at 12:30P, in the water at 2P. SJS tent with coffee and hot chocolate. Royals will lead the plungers to the water with a SJS Flag. Pre-party to be determined - Official after-party @3:30P or 4P at Oceanhouse Tap
- AOH Pub Crawl -- AOH pays for associated costs (btw \$5K-\$6K) like permits, police, EMS for the plunge. Their fundraiser, cost is \$40.00 pp, bus pick-ups at 6 locations in Sea Bright. All money raised offsets cost to run the Polar Plunge. This event is promoted via word of mouth ONLY, not through SJS School. Checks are made payable to AOH.

Principal's Report: Mrs. Giordano

- Middle school dance was a lot of fun for the students. Student council sold pizza and treats.
- Trunk or Treat was well attended and successful.
- Monsignor Lowry not feeling well. We'll be visiting him.
- New security front doors to be installed with less glass, have been switching doors throughout school
- Looking into Wi-fi, need an advisor to make adjustments for access. Anita Esser suggests Tom Bol, Two River Computer in Fair Haven.
- For Friday, Nov 15 Pep Rally in school –Polar Bear costume will be used. Having a student foul shooting contest from 1:15P-1:30P, 3 names per grade will be chosen to participate.
- Mrs. Golden stated a retired DEA agent will speak with students about vaping. Also, a speaker from the Prosecutor's office will talk with students in the 5th grade and up about the consequences of using/abusing social media. Any students abusing social media or taking photos of other students will face consequences, decided with consistency and transparency.
- Looking forward to the Book Fair which will be held December 2nd-7th and finishing at Breakfast with Santa.

Co-President's Report: Tania Sarabia and Liz Sutphin

- Presidents' meeting at Mother Seton Academy in Howell, NJ. School family assessment should have been paid. \$150.00 per school for continuing education and marketing contribution. Paula discussed a PTA Extranet where all communications between PTAs can be shared and viewed.
- There will be a PTA retreat on February 29 details to come.
- Trunk or Treat – 175 tickets sold. 23 cars participated. Made \$525.00
- Donuts & Cider – Sales were \$1034.00 with a profit of \$392.00. 126 packs of donuts and 72 gallons of cider sold.
- Wednesday, Nov 27 Pie sale pick up 1P-3P.
- Breakfast with Santa on December 7th is in development. It will not be a fundraiser. Pre-sale costs might be \$5.00 and \$10.00 at the door. Bagel buffet breakfast with yogurt and granola. \$1,000.00 budget requested and approved by Travis and Tania. Auction items 15-20 items needed (gingerbread houses and teacher experiences are being auctioned).
- Looking for vendors for poinsettias – One in Lakehurst + \$40.00 delivery fee

- Stocking stuffers in development – deciding upon three category types.

Co-Vice President's Report: Anita Esser

- Mother's Club on November 7 at Board and Brush was so enjoyable, 16 moms participated.
- Mother's Club on December 5 may be in the SJS cafeteria with food to make decorations for Breakfast with Santa. January meeting might have a spa theme, looking into Mozaic spa.
- Mothers Club meetings will be held at 7:30pm, future meeting dates: Jan 9th, Feb 6th, Mar 5th, Apr 2nd, May 7th, & June 4th
- After school clubs begin in February, need to have vendors lined up in by January so funds can be collected. Ideas are: Lego Lady? Fitness Coach? 3 chairpersons have been secured.

Marketing Report & Legal Affairs: Molly Cimino

- Tania has the flier for the Book Fair and will forward to Molly and Susan.

Treasurer's Report: Jennifer Schimpf

- Balance is \$25,450.00 with deposits still to be processed. Approximately half of that money is from PFE.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Samantha Fogliano

- Thank you cards sent for Trunk or Treat.
- Sympathy basket to be prepared and mailed to Jennifer Marlin, who lost her mother.
- Gift basket for Monsignor is being prepared – will run ideas by Mrs Giordano and Mrs Golden

Hospitality Committee Report: Alina Fotache

- Bagel Day is tomorrow November 14th
- \$3500.00 estimated profit for the year
- Kids Stuff Book Sales, profit of approximately \$1,700.00

Technology Report: Susan Marino (not present)

- Ice Skating school outing: Middletown Ice World proposed for 1:30P-3:30P and the Armory proposed either January 22nd or February 5th 12:45P – 2:45P, with an initial deposit of \$500.00
- Mrs Giordano approved 1/22 at Armory. Liz and Alina approved initial deposit of \$500.
- New directory was sent out

Spirituality and Care Steps Report: Danielle Robbins & Tania for Jen Marlin

- Next Care Steps is on December 2 at the Ronald McDonald House in Long Branch
- Box Tops are with Jen Marlin for counting and sorting
- Danielle will work with Mrs Golden for gift basket to Convent

PTA Family Commitment: Susan Falco (not present)

- Letters with a reminder about fundraising will be sent before and after the Progressive Raffle

SJAA Report: Jen Heaton (not present)

- No numbers for apparel sale yet
- Winter Sports Registration – we have a JV Girls Basketball team
- Basketball Blowout – need concession stand volunteers, Jen will sell cupcakes and brownies
- All Fall Sports Athletes will be honored at the Blowout

Fundraising & Special Events: Ali Farro (not present)

- Per Tania for Shari and Maureen regarding the Book Fair – flier went home on Monday. Susan will send an EBlast for volunteer sign-ups
- All for Books: collecting loose change, for every \$1.00 raised, Scholastic donates a book to the library.

Open Discussion:

- Halloween parade was cute and kids had fun, made it happen before the rain started
- Kudos to Jolene Suth for the amazing lobby decorations
- Catholic Schools Week – teachers will be served a light breakfast on Thursday of that week
- Sky Zone fundraiser – perhaps too expensive per Mrs Giordano let's not proceed

- Brain storming on thoughts about a large fundraiser; 5K organized by Jen Heaton/Samantha Fogliano
- Mrs. Giordano said that as long as the gym is available to use, she approves the idea for an Elegant couples dinner or Derby night or Dance lessons night.
- Parent's Night out being planned- hoping to have the first one before the holidays

Meeting adjourned at 8:44P

Next meeting: Wednesday, December 18 @ 8:00A (morning meeting)

Attendance

Mrs. Giordano	Principal
Mrs. Golden	Vice-Principal
Tania Sarabia	Co-President
Liz Sutphin	Co-President
Anita Esser	Vice President
Samantha Fogliano	Corresponding Secretary
Jennifer Schimpf	Treasurer
Alina Fotache	Hospitality
Ann Clark	Hospitality
Travis Sutphin	Royals President
Chuck Pugliese	Royals VP
Molly Cimini	Marketing
Karen Haney	Recording Secretary

Parents

Lori Reuter	Parent
Jenna Riccio Laible	Parent
Craig Dolan	Parent