# Saint James School PTA Meeting Virtual/ Zoom Mtg November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 7:00pm

## 7:05P start, Karen Haney leads in prayer

#### Principal's Report: Mrs. Giordano

- Opening remarks described that parents and children are doing a great job.
- Mark that Melody event is moved to the spring.
- Breakfast with Santa is a no-go, and the Polar Plunge date is moved.
- For a merry season and as a way to get into the Christmas spirit and celebrate, Monsignor is on board for an outdoor Christmas Tree Lighting for St James Elementary School families only.
- The Raffle will be one-to-one for fundraising this year.
- By January 2021, PFE transitions to FACTS for collection.
- Our school is staying open, while other schools plan to close after Thanksgiving.

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### President's Report: Liz Sutphin

- Donuts and Cider made \$2300.00 and was successful. 47 families participated. Any leftover items were donated to the Monmouth & Ocean County Food Bank.
- A few new fundraisers: Charleston Wrap (on-line catalog) school receives 40% of sales, 30% for personalized items. Runs Nov 5-Dec 5.

### President's Report: Tania Sarabia

- Did not hear back from Boscov's about Friends and Family event.
- PTA is selling Stocking Stuffers and having a Poinsettia Sale. Working with Jenna to create a flyer.

#### Vice President's Report: Alina Fotache

• The first Mothers Club meeting, held at Jolene Suth's house on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 6P-8P, was a success. Thank you to Jolene for her generosity and hospitality. Next Mother's Club will be on November 19<sup>th</sup> at AR Workshop. Yes there is availability, 20 seats for the event, 6 seats booked.

## Recording Secretary: Karen Haney

Minutes from October PTA meetings were approved. Attendance taken at the end of meeting.

## New Treasurer's Report: Anita Esser

- FACTS will deduct PFE in January 2021 instead of February because the Polar Plunge date is moved to April.
- Let's publish a note in the Eblast that we are focusing on the Jingle Ball Jackpot for fundraising.
- Bogi joined the conversation to say that raffle tickets have been sent to families. Anita will coordinate with Bogi to send a flyer.
- Still waiting to close out 2019-2020 expenses
- Current income is \$5700.00 vs. expenses, which includes PFE submitted through checks.

### Corresponding Secretary: Samantha Fogliano (not present)

- Sent a letter of thanks to the Diocese for last year
- Liz S. will give Sam a list of people/vendors who are to receive thank you cards.

### Ann Clark Clerkin (Philly Pretzel) spoke about the Philly Pretzel sale, which was a hit.

We'll have another next ½ day, Wednesday November 11. Prepare a flyer on this Weds or Thursday to publish on Friday before the event. Made approx. \$800.00. \$ 0.60 for each pretzel, charge \$2.00 per order. Water is \$1. Need \$325.00 to purchase pretzels. Motion seconded and approved. Mrs. Giordano will remind students about the pretzel sale. Publish single page flyer with Pretzel sale and Raffle update.

Spirituality and Care Steps: Jennifer Marlin, Jenna Laible, new chair (not present) \$96.80 recently made.

#### SJAA: Adrienne Supino

• Wait and see @ Winter Sports season, maybe have practices and games between schools, if other schools elect to participate. If sports are allowed indoors in gym, sports may happen.

#### PTA Raffle: Bogi Chamberlin

- File amendment with the town to change the date of the drawing needs Mrs. G and Bogi's signature.
- 100 families are committed to selling tickets
- Looking for student volunteers to sell tickets outside of church masses with an adult supervisor.
- 5 Tickets per envelope sold at church.
- Set up a table to sell tickets outside of church on November 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>
- Winner will be drawn at Christmas Tree Lighting. Winner need not be present.

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## Royals Report: Travis Sutphin

Next Royals meeting at Federico's on Main in Oceanport on November 18.
 We appreciate the fathers and all that they do.

### Open Discussion:

• (Jolene) Trunk or Treat was a huge success. 23 cars participated, with 17 cars signing on in one day.

It was great that new parents of first and second graders really wanted to help.

The event was seamless. Thank you to the Fogliano family for the movie screen.

\$575.00 made for 23 cars. The deposit for concessions was over \$1335.00 = 100% profit.

The student volunteers were amazing.

• (Shari) Virtual Bookfair this year – there is an on-line app 360Fair.

A virtual experience for kids around the end of November, in time for Christmas shopping.

Appeal to teachers to find a way to make it engaging for children who typically enjoy "walking up" to the bookshelves, creating positive peer pressure to read.

\$25+ means free shipping. If we sell more that \$3500.00 we get 25% of profit.

An idea discussed was to have a Read A Thon during the winter months rather than Clubs.

- (Travis) Need to get SJS tent pole repaired
- Apparel Sale went well. Items will be displayed in the lobby.

## Meeting Adjourned 8:12P

## Next Meeting: December 2 Wednesday, 2020 @ 7P

#### **Attendance**

Monsignor

Mrs. Giordano Principal
Mrs. Golden Vice-Principal
Tania Sarabia Co-President

Liz Sutphin Co-President (not present)

Alina Fotache Vice President
Anita Esser Treasurer / PFE
Bogi Chamberlin Fundraising
Adrienne Supino SJAA

Travis Sutphin Royals

Karen Haney Recording Secretary

**Chuck Pugliese** 

#### **Parents**

Shari Gagliardo Noelle Fitzpatrick Tricia Sirrico

Jolene Suth (Halloween decorations/ host Mom's Clubs)

Ann Clark Clerkin (Philly Pretzel)
Suzanne Fixsen (Mark that Melody)