Home & School Association

Meeting Minutes May 9, 2022 6:30 PM



- I. Opening Prayer at 6:40PM. In attendance were the HSA Board members Jeanne Lukac (President), Lisa Guzzo (Vice President), Heather DeJarlais (Treasurer and Music teacher), Matt Fisher (Secretary), Principal Katie Fredericksen, Dawn Czarnik, Mary Skocik, Kellee Wyzgowski, and Frank Mikesic.
- II. Approval of minutes for April 6, 2022 meeting The motion for approval of minutes passed.

III. Recent Events

a. Spring Fling (Friday, April 22, 2022)

Dawn reported we will net approximately \$90K, a record for this event of greater than 10 years. This amount includes approximately \$30K in paddle raised funds for PASS. We are looking at moving event back to Halls of St. George next year. Open discussion about potentially raising the ticket cost based on how the research goes with finding a venue. Also, Dawn and Lisa raised questions about continuing the process of charging an additional \$10 for reserved seats.

b. Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2-6, 2022)

Ms. Fredericksen reported that the week went very well and thought teachers and staff enjoyed the food and activities during the week.

MaryGrace Fagen did an exceptional job chairing the event.

IV. Upcoming Events

a. Field Day (May 19, 2022)

Ms. Fredericksen reported that the activities planned for the day are in the process of being approved by the leadership team. Water balloons will not be permitted this year. We are doing "ok" with volunteers. We can always use more, especially at middle school level.

b. SJE Summer Fest (July 7-10th, 2022)

Ms Czarnik reported that volunteers are still needed as usual. Parking may need more organization due to the Kmart parking lot being occupied with construction materials for St. John power grid.

Ms. Fredericksen mentioned that she wanted an information welcome booth, especially for new families, set up for the 5K event taking place in August. CYO, sports, choir, band, other clubs and address questions about volunteer hours, etc. Timing would be from 7-11AM (beginning prior to race start 8AM).

Discussion about what can be said on 5K website about what the funds are being raised for specifically (rather than just generally described as fundraising for the school).

V. Chairperson and Room Parent sign-up 2022-23

Discussion among Jeanne, Dawn, Katie and Lisa about the need for Room Parent Coordinator and an update to "handbooks" to distribute providing organized information to parents of students including special class room events, parties, expectations of parents including dollar contributions, etc. Ren Alexiadas is assisting Kathy Hartman with Guardian Angel program.

Events to remove from sign-up sheet: Back to School night. Jackie Tuley does back-to-school and Christmas teacher luncheons. Take ST Nick Treats off the list. Add Stephanie Bracken for DDD. No one needed for Catholic Schools week.

Discussion about combining Book Fair with Grandparents day to simplify and increase Book Fair revenues. The Principal and HSA agreed the benefit to this idea and will continue to brainstorm timing of events and whether or not to coincide them with school day hours or an after school event.

Discussion about re-kindling a Veterans Day event at the school which was discontinued since 2019 due to COVID. This is not an HSA sponsored event but Principal Fredericksen and Ms. Dejarlais discussed potentially bringing it back.

Discussion about moving Mather/Son event from Spring to Fall because the Spring is so busy. Baseball, Up Your Ally, Hockey game and other ideas were mentioned. Early to mid-September was identified as best timing based on calendar of other events and also better weather than late Fall.

VI. Financial Update

a. P.A.S.S.

Ms DeJarlais reported that \$4,892 was the balance prior to Spring Fling plus \$1,750 in cash and checks. Giftsmart deposits were \$1,250. The paddle-raise at the Spring Fling raised approximately \$30K. Ms. DeJarlais has questions outstanding for the parish accountant to determine and confirm the proper beginning balance prior to Spring Fling. Ms. Fredericksen will make a last-call with parents to collect all funds by May 12th and leave enough time to remit checks to teachers prior to school-year end.

b. Other

No comments

VII. Open Discussion

Ms Lukac announced that 2022-23 year will be the last year she and Lisa Guzzo will serve on the HSA board as President and Vice President, respectively. We will actively be looking for replacements to shadow/commit to serving in those roles. Any interested parties should inquire with Jeanne or someone on the board (HSA contact info is on the SJE website).

VIII. Closing Prayer at 8:04PM. Meeting adjourned