

Middle School Parent Association Meeting-- Monday December 5th 2022

Minutes from Meeting:

Meeting began with a prayer by Sara D.

Discussion on the Hot cocoa bar for our middle school students. This event will happen on Thursday December 15th. Hot cocoa will be provided from Panera (cost covered by PA). Will include whip cream, cups and lids and Dana T. will provide the peppermint balls and marshmallow toppings. We will have a cookie decorating area as well for students. Cookies will be provided, but frosting, and sprinkles we are asking for donations for on sign up genius form, as well as (4) additional volunteers for that day.

Students will come down at 2:15 for this activity and will take it till end of day.

Sign up form to go out tomorrow (12/7) will post on Facebook page as well as send to Bridget/Courtney to put in newsletter.

There will be no decorations in the hallway this year, due to lack of volunteers, and just not enough time. Budget money for this may be used to do a small Christmas treat bag for the students-will look into this more.

Thank you was given to those present to helped provide items for the Teacher Conference meal. We provided meat and cheese trays and different bread options for teachers to make sandwiches. Condiments, drinks, chips and dessert were provided as well. HS PA will provide main course next conference in Spring, sign up for additional items may be going out for all at upper campus who would like to assist with sides, etc.

Catholic Schools week is last week in January/First week in February. Parent association doesn't plan anything for that time but will fund activities etc that middle school admin requests. Per Courtney meeting is scheduled for next week and then they will know more and will reach out to us with any requests. 6-7-8 GRADE class retreats will be that week, individually.

Last year an Ice Cream social was done, will wait to see if that will be happening again. Any volunteers needed for this week will be sent out via sign up genius.

Halloween party was a hit. Jill V. did an amazing job decorating and providing activities for students. Lots of great reviews came in. Loved the upper campus gym use for this activity. Suggested we use this every year.

February 21st will be Packzi day. All students middle and possibly high school (still confirming with high school PA if they will be included) will be given a Packzi during lunch time courtesy of the PA. Will order again enough for all students and have delivered to school. Volunteers to serve and set up will be needed and a sign up will go out as well.

February 24th—middle school dance/social will take place in upper campus cafeteria. More details to come, will send out a message asking for those that would like to help plan, volunteer etc.

There are plans for a Spring social after school, games, music, snacks. More information will be sent closer once dates have been confirmed. Volunteers may be needed.

End of year Middle School Year book Signing is being scheduled again for this year. More details to follow. Will have Kona Ice as in years past and additional fun for the kids. Volunteers may be needed.

There will be no clubs this year per Courtney.

It was mentioned Courtney believes May 5th will be the date for 8th grade trip to Camp Timberlee. Confirmation will be made shortly.

There was also confirmation that there will be no JTERM this year as well.—not new news was just brought up as a question to admin at meeting.

Will review budget and where we stand to see if we can do some other fun activities for the kids this year, any ideas anyone may have please send to MS parent association email.

8th grade graduation—reminder to get your pictures in by this FRIDAY for the 8th grade slide show, still missing several. Also asked about volunteers that will be needed at the event for set up of food, replenishment, etc..Dana Tehako-Esser and Desi Harrington will spearhead event and a volunteer form will be sent out. Would like to have 7th grade parents step up and help but will take any volunteers that are willing.

8th grade grad shirts are here and will be distributed this week to students via Resource teacher. Sizes ordered were based on sizes parents signed up for during registration. Students can wear throughout the year for spirit wear.

Next meeting will be March 8th at 6pm at Upper Campus Cafeteria. Will discuss teacher appreciation at that time and end of year events. In the meantime if any questions come up please feel free to email MSPARENTASSOCIATION@SJCAWI.ORG

Donna O. will submit building usage forms for events messaged above.

Attendees: Sara D., Jason R., Courtney C, Dana T.E, Donna O., Maria K., Susie S., Emily A., Christina G., Mindy M.