



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary PTO Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2025, 7-8pm | Meeting Called by Lisa Welter

Board Members: Lisa Welter, Chairperson | Emily Hughes, Vice Chairperson | Megan Kuzma, Treasurer | Molly Henderson, Secretary | Amy Snodgrass & Kate Williams, Teacher Representative | Domenic Franconi, Principal

Meeting called to order by Lisa Welters 7:00 pm

Attending: Lisa Welter, Megan Kuzma, Molly Henderson, Emily Hughes, Kate Williams, Amy Snodgrass, Jess Grey, Mary Beniot

Introductions everyone was welcomed by Lisa Welters.

Treasurer Report- Megan Kuzma

\$8728.93 as of November- not including the Santa Shop

- New Business
 - Babysitter's Club Update- Jess Grey

List of babysitters has been updated, will be adding more to the list by the end of the week! Keep an eye out for a blast post about this.

- Student Gift - Catholic Schools Week (CSW)- Emily Hughes

We used to give a gift to kids for Christmas, thinking of giving something for CSW: Winter hat, socks, water bottle stickers, keychains, etc.

Looking at Hawks Nest to make us something. January 26th is CSW so we need it by then. Emily will look into this.

- Bulletin Board at Church updates- Jess Grey

Jess updated it at the beginning of this month. There is a group of retired ladies who want to volunteer at the school and asked Emily Hughes how to get in contact with someone about this. Jess will add information to the bulletin board so they can sign up.

- Eagle Eye Dad check-in- Molly K

An issue we are having is that 4-8 grades all have specials in the mornings. Mornings are core teaching times for early elementary teachers. Maybe switch to afternoon? And then the dad's can help with the dismissal 11:30- 3:30pm and lunch will be provided. Kate and Amy will let the teachers know to ask them to help with anything, including sorting papers. Molly will check with Domenic about switching to afternoon

- Vestal Fundraiser- Lisa W

Vestal Inn for funds for friends. January 28th and tie it into CSW. Will add to the bulletin board and to the newsletter. Will earn 20% of sales generated, just need to mention the event to staff, this will be for the entire time they are open, 11am- 12am. Will put in news from the pews and in the bulletin.

- The Score Funds for Friends Fundraiser-1/22 or 2/4- Lisa W

Will cancel these nights and do Vestal Inn only

- Family Movie Night- Emily Hughes

This will be a 'free will' offering event. We can not have this during lent, so we are looking into February or after spring break. Emily looking into Feb 24th week. In the FLC- will have concessions available, more to come.

- Mother Son Event - Jan. 18, 2-5pm- Megan K

\$300 for space at Lenderinks, will provide snacks and hot cocoa. Megan will ask if there are any older kids needing volunteer hours to help handle the drink station. Emily Hughes said she can help too.

- Daddy Daughter Dance - 5/17, 2/22, 3/22, 5/31?- Lisa W
Have 5/17 reserved for daddy daughter dance in the FLC, but Lisa needs to change this date because of a conflict. The three other dates have been approved by Domenic but just waiting to hear back from Dana in the parish office to see if the FLC is free. Also, Emily will find out if we are able to use the FLC during the lent date.

Amanda Nawara, Ashley Riggs, Megan Kuzma and Emily Hughes will help. Jess Grey can do a balloon arch. All Saints Academy just had a Hollywood themed auction, will contact them to see if we can use decor. Lisa will get invites out asap.

- Teacher Conference meal - Feb. 12 and 14th- Emily Hughes
Emily will do this. She will do soups and charcuterie. She will make extra and they can have left overs Friday the 14th- per Kate and Amy

- Newsletter- Molly Henderson
Newsletter, for the upcoming CSW- PTO is donating \$5 per student, will add this to Jan newsletter. Also add Funds with friends at the Vestal Inn on Jan 28th

- Catholic Schools Week (CSW) - 1/26-2/01 - need anything from the PTO?- Amy/Kate
Teachers and Staff plan this week, everyday they have a theme and activity. What they need help with from us—
On Tuesday they will be doing a field trip and the cost to students will be K-4th \$15 for tubing and bus at Cannonsburg. 5th- 8th grade \$18 to Muskegon.
PTO will pay \$5 of every kids trip k-8th (\$960)
\$1,015 toward gift for each student DK-8

Friday 1/31 movie need popcorn for the whole school. Need help bagging popcorn, popcorn and bags. Mary ordered popcorn and will get bags from Sam's Club.

- Papergator recycling contest- Amy/Kate

We are doing a Papergator paper recycling contest from now until April 11. Anyone is welcome to add acceptable items into our Papergator next to our dumpster near the playground! Our school could win up to \$5000. Winners will be determined based on the largest percentage increase in paper recycled from January to April 11, 2025, compared with the same period in 2024! Will be added to the bulletin and to the News from the Pews.

- Old Business

- Santa Shop - December 12/13- Sarah C

Raised around \$3600. Great success!

- Christmas Staff Luncheon - December 18- Emily H

Staff was very appreciative, thank you to all of the volunteers that made this happen.

Open Discussion/ Questions

- Megan Kuzma asked if we are still interested in doing concessions for a cause, where we get volunteers to work the whitecaps as a fundraiser. It was agreed that we are interested in this as well as an outing in the spring and fall. Megan will work in the March Reading into the spring outing.
- Amy Snodgrass wondered if we could get more coffee for the staff lounge. Sarah Walsh is planning on getting stuff next week. They always need drinks, Diet Coke and Coke Zero especially. Emily will talk to Domenic about doing a jean day to raise money for stock the lounge.

Meeting ENDED at 8:45

Next Meeting: February 5, 7-8pm in the science room

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