

Saint James School PTA Meeting  
Saint James Cafeteria  
May 17, 2017 8:15AM

Opening Prayer: Mrs. Giordano

Principal's Report: Mrs. Giordano

- The girls in grades 5-8 will have a new skirt option for the uniform next year. We will be phasing out the green polo shirts for the boys. These items will not be for sale at used uniform sales going forward.
- Our STEM lab is coming along. The library is being painted and a furniture order will be placed.
- The new front drapes for the gym stage will be installed this Friday and pads will be ordered this week. This summer, the floors will be stripped, replacing the old RBC logo with Saint James.
- The entrance to the school will be changing, with the second set of doors moving forward in front of the office doors. More security cameras will be added to around the school, and speakers will be added to the hallways. Shades will be installed to cover the classroom door windows. These upgrades will be paid for through security funding from the state.
- The Red Bank Police will be doing a role play situation at Saint James next Friday while school is closed. They walk the building twice a week to be familiar with our layout in case of an emergency. We ran a lock down drill last Monday.

President's Report: Dana Franznick

- The end of the year is coming up quick. Next year's executive board is set and will be induced at Awards Night next Tuesday. Jeanne O'Connor is leaving the co-president post with Meghan Lupu joining Dana Franznick as co-presidents. Molly Cimini and Deanna Ryan will be co-vice presidents. Recording secretary will be Tania Sarabia, corresponding secretary will be Liz Sutphin, treasurer will be Jennifer Schimpf. Our spirituality chair is still open. Royals will be represented by Travis Sutphin.
- The PFE positions (nurse aide, morning, lunch and playground monitors) will be phased out. For next year, all families will be required to meet a \$300 PTA Commitment which can be met through a one-time fee or select fundraisers. Updates on the program will be sent with the end of year packets.

Vice President's Report: Molly Cimini

- Flamingo flocking has been a success. The kids have been enthusiastic! We have flocked about 40 houses, and made about \$1500 so far. We are looking forward to more interest next year as the kids anticipating the next flocking.

Treasurer's Report: Lisa Noonan

- We currently have about \$26,000 in our account, with changes anticipated for 8<sup>th</sup> grade events and teacher's luncheon. Two more rounds of checks will be cut for the end of the year. **Meghan Lupu and Caryn Owens approve \$2000 for the end-of-year Teacher Luncheon.**

Recording Secretary's Report: Caryn Owens

- Please sign the attendance sheet each meeting you attend. April 2017 meeting notes were approved by Meghan Lupu and Tania Sarabia.

Corresponding Secretary: Meghan Lupu

- Quite a few thank you notes were sent out for the Art Show.

Marketing Report: Liz Coscia

- Mrs. Cavanaugh has been posting daily Facebook pictures,

Hospitality Committee: Lori Dougherty

- We are starting to plan the New Family Social for September. **\$500 was approved by Jeanne O'Connor and Dana Franznick**

Spirituality: The Mother's Club is hosting an event at Mega Cycle this Friday.

Partners For Excellence: Ali Farro

- Quite a few families have not met their commitment. We are tracking and corresponding with these families. SJAA fundraising does not count towards PFE. Mrs. Giordano will be contacting families regarding outstanding balances. The biggest benefit from this budget line item is our school nurse. The state contribution to the nurse position only covers 4-5 hours per day, with funding running out in March.

SJAA: Dana Franznick provided update from Michaela Ferrigine

- The 5K was a great success, with the rain parting just in time. Fall sports registrations will open soon.

Open Discussion:

- The Progressive Raffle brought in about \$19,000.
- Career Day was enjoyed with 7 parents participating.
- The Art Show was beautiful, with music, sculpture demos and snacks.
- Easter Basket Stuffers earned about \$500.
- Teacher luncheon is scheduled for June 13.
- Kidstuff Books for September needs a chair.

**Have a great summer! Next Meeting September 13, 2017, 8:15 AM**

**Attendance**

Mrs. Giordano	Principal
Mrs. Golden	Vice Principal
Kira Nelson	Teacher
Jeanne O'Connor	President
Dana Franznick	President
Molly Cimini	Vice President
Lisa Noonan	Treasurer
Meghan Lupu	Corresponding Secretary
Caryn Owens	Recording Secretary
Liz Coscia	Marketing Chair
Lori Dougherty	Hospitality Chair
Tania Sarabia	4 <sup>th</sup> grade parent/ incoming Recording Secretary
Kim Vowteras	6 <sup>th</sup> grade parent/ incoming Spirituality Chair
Liz Sutphin	Kindergarten KB/ incoming Corresponding Secretary
Jennifer Schimpf	KA mom/ incoming Treasurer
Dina Morford	PreK4 mom