

Saint James School PTA Meeting  
Saint James Cafeteria  
January 10, 2018 7:00 PM

Opening Prayer: Jennifer Marlin

Principal's Report: Mrs. Giordano

- Student's Kindness Christmas Tree was beautiful
- Students will be meeting again before Catholic School Week and writing letters for the nuns and thank you notes to those who works at the school
- This year, instead of having the children guess different Saints during Catholic School Week, they will be learning more about Saint James School history
- The student council is raising funds to buy a water station to leave behind as 'their legacy' by selling lollipops
- The Stem Lab is up and running, Ocean First came to the opening of the lab, they were very impressed with the students
  - Ocean First will be hosting a dinner where all the winners share their experiences
- Overall, it's been a positive year with lots of enthusiasm at the events
- There are two assemblies planned for the lower classman during Catholic Schools Week, the NED assembly was free provided we sell yo-yos (there is not a minimum required)
- There will be a mass on the Friday of Basketball Blowout
- Teacher's luncheon is being worked on for Catholic Schools Week

Co-President's Report: Dana Franznick & Meghan Lupu

- Next bagel day is Wednesday, January 17 – If anyone can come to help prepare the bagels, please do
- \$1100 in dress down passes were sold, expenses are minimal
- Wednesday, 1/17 is a half day and the ice skating party is in Middletown, cost is \$10 per skater includes rentals and will be charged at the door, no presales, extra hands may be needed to check in the students, **\$100 was approved by Travis and Tania for the deposit.**
  - Bake sale will be during the ice skating party, if you cannot come but want to donate baked goods you can drop them off in the morning to Dana and Meghan while they are preparing the bagels
- The Family Dinner and the Art Show will be combined on April 17

- The Spring Book Fair will sell books from the summer reading list
- Ladies Night Out is planned for 4/27 - **\$500 were approved by Dana and Meghan**
- PTA Board Members who wish to stay on must let Dana and Meghan know, or if you are interested in becoming a board member please let them know

#### Co-Vice President's Report: Molly Cimini

- Pinot's Palette meeting of the Mother's Club had 17 mother's in attendance
- Deanna is planning something for February
- The Flamingo Flocking will be postponed until next year

#### Treasurer's Report: Dana for Jennifer Schimpf

- Current balance is just over \$37,000 – expenses have been limited this year, all fees for the Dioceses have been paid
- If there are any expenses that have not been submitted, they should be done so as soon as possible
- We may be able to help the student council with a possible 2<sup>nd</sup> water station - maybe we can sell SJS Water Bottles to raise funds

#### Recording Secretary's Report: Tania Sarabia

- Meeting notes from December were approved by Maria Rimmele and Meghan Lupu
- Attendance sheet was passed around

#### Corresponding Secretary's Report: Liz Sutphin

- Nothing to report

#### Marketing Report: Liz Coscia

- Vote on HulaFrog for Saint James as most loved private school

#### Hospitality Committee Report: Dana Franznick for Lori Dougherty

- Need to replace paper products
- Liz Sutphin and Lori Dougherty are working with the Mazza Family (thank you!) for the Teacher Luncheon.
- For the Polar Plunge Breakfast, we will get balloons to direct people where to go, and we will use the tent and the flags at the Polar Plunge

#### Technology Report: Maria Rimmele

- Maria to provide Jen Marlin with information to create sign in sheet for the Ronald McDonald House
- Maria asked Travis for business card for the Polar Plunge Corporate sponsors so she can 'advertise' on the directory
- Progressive Raffle will run 2/21- 3/23 (3/17-18 is the church weekend for selling the tickets) – Gina to make sure the proper dates are on the PFE letters

#### Spirituality Report: Jennifer Marlin

- Mrs Giordano to check to see that all grades have their community hours sheets
- 2/9 Ronald McDonald House – 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders 'community hours'

#### Fundraising:

- No update

#### Partners for Excellence Report: Gina Rahim

- 110 families committed to fundraise
- 17 families have not chosen any PFE option
- Notifications went out reminding families first opportunity to fund raise is the Polar Plunge

#### SJAA Report: Liz Coscia and Michaela Ferrigine for Laura Shroba

- Mini basketball for 1-4 graders begins Friday, 1/19, flyer is online
- Spring Sport sign ups have been extended until 3/1 with a late fee – tryouts are mid-March
- Girl's Lacrosse is for grades 4-8, boys baseball is a tryout sport
- Making big moves with the 5K – event has moved to Sea Bright on 5/19 for the weekend before Memorial Day. The after party will be at Donovan's. Signups are \$25 until 3/15, \$30 afterward, and \$35 day of if available. Family sponsorships are \$120 (2 adults and 2 children). SJAA is currently looking for Corporate sponsorships

#### Royals Report: Travis Sutphin

- Logo's for all corporate sponsors are needed in vector format
- Travis thanked Mrs. Giordano for approving the Royals logo

- **\$100 was approved for the Basketball Blowout Referees by Dana and Meghan and \$100 was approved for the Red Bank Police, by Jennifer Marlin and Maria Rimmele**
- SJS spirit wear and candy to be sold at Basketball Blowout
- Partial dress down on Friday 1/26 (Polar Plunge shirts only) – Students will be attending mass
- Give Back Night at Brother’s after 8pm on Basketball Blowout night
- Maria to send an e-Blast for candy donations
- January Royals meeting will be at Maloney’s
- February Royals meeting will be at Federico’s

Open Discussion:

- After School Club’s – need parent volunteers to host clubs – volunteer will take the students to the club and then bring the children back to the cafeteria for dismissal (volunteers need to be Virtuos Trained and fingerprinted)
- **\$1500 were approved for the Sweetheart Dance by Liz and Jen**
- Lots of stuff in the PTA closet which maybe the teachers can use
- Mother and Son outing is being planned
- Need to discuss the Art show with the Art Teacher.
- Talent Show may come back next year

**Next Meeting February 8, 2018, 8:15AM**

**Attendance**

Mrs. Giordano	Principal
Mrs. Golden	Vice Principal
Kira Nelson	Teacher Rep
Dana Franznick	Co-President
Meghan Lupu	Co-President
Molly Cimini	Co-Vice President
Tania Sarabia	Recording Secretary
Liz Sutphin	Corresponding Secretary
Jennifer Marlin	Spirituality/Care Steps
Liz Coscia	Legislative/Publicity
Maria Rimmele	Technology
Gina Rahim	Partners for Excellence
Travis Sutphin	Royals Liaison
Michaela Ferrigine	- SJAA
Magali Bonilla	- Millen - Parent
Shannon Marcus	- Maines - Parent