

Parent Association General Meeting Minutes March 23, 2023, 5:00 pm

Board Attendees (8): Janet Pellegrino, Sharon Patterson, Liz Butler, Suhair DiHu, Dr. Russell, Sister Tonette, Andrea Hastings, Angela Lowe

1. Call to order at 5:05 pm - Welcome and Opening Prayer - J. Pellegrino
2. Introduce PA Board Members in attendance
 - a. PA President - Janet Pellegrino
 - b. Vice President - Sharon Patterson
 - c. Secretary - Liz Butler
 - d. Treasurer - Suhair DiHu
 - e. 9th grade Liaison - Andrea Hastings
 - f. 10th grade Liaison - Angela Lowe
 - g. JPll President - Sister Tonette
 - h. Headmaster - Dr. Russell
3. PA Report - J. Pellegrino
 - a. Parent PA Meetings: General meetings are to be held quarterly and will replace the Falcon Forum. To promote conveying information, a PA newsletter will be emailed monthly that will relate upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. Important for next year, the Secretary board position is open.
 - b. Membership fee: The \$25 membership fee helps offset costs for the hospitality events that the PA sponsors. The Hospitality committee covers the rest through volunteers and donations.
 - i. Hospitality Lead - Melanie Sturgis.
 1. Past events: Oktoberfest, faculty/staff luncheons (beginning of year, Christmas, Catholic Schools Week), Visit Days, Junior Ring Blessing, National Honor Society Induction Ceremony
 2. Upcoming/Future events: Faculty/Staff Breakfast, State of the School/PA Wine and Cheese, Senior Picnic, End-of-year luncheon
 3. Parent Prayer Group: M. Sturgis along with the JPll campus minister Ashley Arominski began a rosary group that meets once a month to pray for the school and the intentions of the students. Parents are welcome to attend the school Mass before meeting in the chapel to pray the rosary.
 - c. Senior Picnic: To be held on May 19th. The Junior Class is now sponsoring this event which will follow the Senior Awards. The Junior Class Liaison - Stephanie Good - will email more information regarding what is needed, ie Setup, food, drinks, etc.

- d. Social Event Survey: Look for a survey to gather the interest for PA social events such as pickleball, bingo, bunco, concert on the lawn, etc as well as suggestions for events and best days/times. A suggestion was made to coordinate PA activities/meetings with school events.
 - e. Senior Class with Parent/Guardian Social: The PA would also like to introduce an evening for the senior parents/guardians with their kids. Would like to make this a yearly special event. Any interest?
 - f. Main purpose: Purpose of these events is to strengthen the PA and parent involvement.
4. Upcoming PA President Presentation- S. Patterson
- a. 2023/2024 Fundraiser: Oktoberfest will return on September 23, 2023 (tentative date)
 - i. PA Fundraiser Chair: OPEN. Have a couple leads, but if anyone is interested, please contact any PA member or send email to: parentassociation@jp2falcons.org
 - ii. Volunteers needed - we can use any time/talents you have to offer.
 - iii. Funds: Last year's funds helped pay for Phase 1 of the updated security system for the school.
 - iv. Date: September 23. This date should be far enough from the beginning of the school year, Fall Break, and Giving Tuesday. Parent involvement needed through volunteering, attending and/or prayers.
 - b. Upcoming PA Events
 - i. March 28: Teachers' Breakfast
 - ii. April 19: Parent Prayer Group
 - iii. April 26: State of the School 5 pm
 - iv. May 1-5: Teacher Appreciation Week
 - v. May 7: Spring Arts Concert
 - vi. May 9: New Family Orientation
 - vii. May 19: Senior Picnic
 - viii. May 24: End of Year Teacher Luncheon/Gifts
5. Comments and Questions
- a. Discussed Oktoberfest - What was the goal - financial, budget, purpose? The financial goal was to raise \$20K. Actual \$19+K. The PA fundraiser raises money mainly for special projects - ie, security system upgrade. Any excess funds may be applied to the operations budget.
6. Meeting Adjourned 5:38 pm