

# HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION PARENT MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 19, 2019

Time: 6:00pm Place: School Gym

#### **Present:**

Father Ron, Dr. Cluckey, Mrs. Sutter, Mrs. Bodensteiner, Todd Spear, Drew Dorn, Heather Schieder, Jenny Kilmer, Vic Martucci, Parents of 5-8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

# **Opening Prayer-** Father Ron

#### **Introductions**

-The 2019-2020 HSA board introduced themselves

## Guest Speaker-Vic Martucci, School Board:

- -The school board is a board of trustees consisting of 9 members. 2/3 of the board's members are not parents. The purpose of this is to bring outside expertise in and for the board to act as advisors.
- -This year we are starting the school year from a place of security and strength and school enrollment is up 5%.
- -One of the main goals for the board this year is to update the strategic plan including increasing enrollment, supporting the school principal and staff, raising the community profile of the school and fostering an enriching culture.

#### **Principals Report-Dr Cluckey:**

- -Happy to be here for the first HSA meeting and to see school begin this year.
- -Spoke about new safety measures in place for this school year including ID tags for all staff and visitors, classrooms have all been equipped with doorstops and shades due to active shooter training from last year. There have been fire drills and there will be upcoming active shooter drills.
- -Concerns have come up regarding uniforms/dress code. A separate meeting will be scheduled to address these concerns.

#### **HSA President-Todd Spear:**

- -Roots and wings event will be held on 10/16/19. Event will feature speaker from Erie County Council for Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse.
- -Representatives from Tops are present to help everyone link bonus card to Nativity of Mary School.
- -Need trunk or treat chair for this year, Christmas craft show chair and someone to help with Cash Raffle and become chair in future. Contact Todd Spear if interested.
- -Several new events being planned for this year including Fun Run, Variety Show, Mother and Son Evening and Father Daughter Dance.

#### **Fundraising Coordinator**-Drew Dorn:

- -Last year we had a very successful fundraising year. Our goal was 162,000 and we exceeded this goal by raising \$166,000. This year's goal is \$165,000.
- -Tuition only covers 60% of cost of education
- -Gala is Friday November 8<sup>th</sup> at Samuels. It is the schools largest fundraising event with dinner, drinks and auctions.
- -Please link bonus card for Tops, turn in Dash's Receipts and buy gift cards from the Scrip program.

# **Advancement Director Report- Kathy Sutter:**

- -Enrollment is up, welcome to all the new families in the school.
- -Candy is still being stored in Kathy's office and if you need another box stop in to pick one up. Sarah Jankowski is candy sale chair this year.
- -Thank you to those who contributed to purchasing mums to beautify the exterior of the school.
- -There are "Ask me about Nativity" buttons available to take as well as flier labelled "10 things to know about Nativity" to give talking points about the school.
- -Please stop by for refreshments in cafeteria after meeting with teachers.

## Teachers Report-Mrs. Bodensteiner.

-School is off to a great start this year. The new students are fitting in well and everyone is adjusting back into the school routine.

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