

May 2018 PTG Minutes

Date: Thursday, May 3, 2018

Site: SJS Parish Hall

Time: 8:15 AM



- I. Welcome/Prayer

- II. One Big Night-Shannon
Recap & Highlights: Diner en Blanc, a simple theme with focus on community. Family Style dining, live band, held at the school. Fundraising included silent auctions, buy-ins and live auctions. More than \$80K raised.
Feedback: Loved the “Bring your best bottle” concept, family style dining, as they contributed to promotion of community. Online silent auctions worked well and can be expanded to buy-ins next year. Greater Giving tool has been great and something we need to continue to use, it is well worth the money spent on it.
Suggestion: Lots of alumni in the area. Perhaps do a reunion buy-in/special table at OBN/special event?

- III. Mother’s Day Mass - Friday, May, 11th at 8:15am
followed by a reception for Moms, presented by SJS Dad’s Club

- IV. Dad’s Club - May 14th
Final meeting of the school year at Brandt’s Beach
Contact Dan Maraviglia for info

- V. Mother/Son Campout - Saturday May 19th
Karen Smith coordinating
Thunderbird Ranch

- VI. Track Meet - Sunday, May 20th at Cardinal Newman
Younger grade coach has been found (thanks Karina Curran)
Contact Sherrie McNulty to register
This is the Sunday of Mother/Son campout so plan accordingly

- VII. FFA Parade - Thursday May 24 (school is half-day that day)
Parade Theme: Sonoma Strong Ag Lives On
Float theme: Thank you 1st Responders
Permission slips coming soon

Haley, Maureen, Mia and Tara are on the decorating committee.

Supervision and coordination between float drop-off and parent pick-up to be addressed by Fr. Sean, James Brandt and Haley Kandarian

Suggestion: could older kids be in charge of 2 younger ones to get them back to parents safely? Could maybe Clans do it? Earn service hours?

VIII. Board Departures & Vacancies

PTG President

Social Chair or Co-Chairs

Treasurer - not a necessary position since there's no separate checking account for PTG, but a possibility if someone wants to serve

Vice President Evan Welty will continue in her second year for 2018-19

Secretary Angela Hertzberg will continue to serve for a third year for 2018-19

Question: is the school looking for a Director of Development (Anne Seppi's former position)? Father Sean is looking into this.

IX. Year-End feedback from Room Moms

- 5th Grade - Mrs. McMahon has been a great addition to the school. Great St Patrick's Day event was really great and raised \$36,000 for the trip to Westminster Woods!
- 3rd Grade - Mrs. Dey is a strong teacher. There are lots of reports but not they are fun. Multiplication is key in 3rd Grade. Testing starts during this year and students are getting lots of practice. Lots of fun field trip, favorite was SRJC Planetarium.
- 1st Grade - Mrs. O'Sullivan "has it really dialed-in". She has a strong focus. A highlight was presentations by women from the community, including a group of female Sheriff's Deputies, during Women's History Month.
- TK - Audra is a fantastic teacher. The work load for TK teachers is high.
- Kindergarten - This year class was 50/50 girls and boys. Great parents in Kinder and it was a great time.
- 6th Grade - Mrs. Arata rocks. Great field trips, balanced curriculum. Service hours start at this grade and responsibilities ramp up.
- 4th Grade - Adobe trip was a great success and lots of fun. Kids start to get grades during this year. Looking forward to St. Eugene pen pals next year.
- Jr High Dance - gives kids across schools a bond which is wonderful
- 8th Grade - in DC this week, pictures are coming in on Facebook, etc. Really good weather this year. Chaperones are 3 dads and 8 moms.

X. Fundraising for next year:

Suggestion: Send survey at beginning of the year to find out talents that people might share (ex. electrician)

Suggestion: Fundraising Fee can be a shock to new families. Maybe ticket sales for OBN could be another way to meet that commitment, or tack it on to tuition and rebate the money raised.

XI. Jog-A-Thon - Sept. 21st

Mia Munselle, Jessica Wilhelm and Susie Cavallo coordinating it

Jog-a-Thon is all about getting sponsorships - please consider having your business

sponsor it!

Suggestion: have a BBQ lunch (burgers, hot dogs) afterwards

Suggestion: get HRC to run with the school, to build community outreach

XII. Final Thoughts

- School Calendar - one-page calendar to come end of May
- New tuition contracts are out, please return by May 11
- Online School Supplies - James will renew the investigation of this option. Main issue is having supplies sent directly to school means someone must be on-site to receive 200 boxes.
- Uniforms feedback - Next year all uniforms must come from Land's End, no Bancroft uniforms will be accepted. Feedback: knees rip out of 100% cotton pants easily. Solution: Juliann to add the option of tougher poly-cotton blend pants. Feedback: white shirts on the younger kids stain too easily, can we have a color option for the younger kids. Answer: school is sticking with white shirts, you should be able to bleach them, just make sure to turn them inside-out before washing with chlorine bleach. Oxygen bleach is another good option for cleaning the white shirts.

XIII. Adjourn 9:42am

XIV. Attendees:

Shannon Prendiville

Mia Munselle

Haley Kandarian

Lisa McLea

Katie Renninger

Kellyann Azevedo

Whitney McMicking

Stephanie Domenichelli

Karina Curran

Maureen Wahl

Nancy Brandt

Juliann Stuhlmuller

Charlotte Chin-McMullen

Debra Skamarack

James Brandt

D Ferrant

Angela Hertzberg