

St. Mary IC PPA Meeting
May 25, 2022
Minutes

Attendees: Lisa Kies, Melissa Wilker, Kathy Ender, Maggie Schlueter, Gail Broxson, Gloria Jirak, Julie Rastetter, Brandie Tompkins, Mandy Ludovissy

Opening: Welcome & Prayer

Old Business:

- SMIC Tshirt Order - Shirts are now being printed by Brandie Tompkins of Riverfront Boutique. Due to slow shipping times, they will not be finished by the end of the school year, but will be able to be picked up in the school office over the summer once completed.
- Rummage Sale - Lisa Kies reported that \$2860.82 was made on the Spring Rummage Sale (\$338.25 of which came from the Bake Sale)! There was plenty of volunteers for packing up the Camp Courageous truck on Saturday, but not nearly enough for setting up and working the sale. Noted that most of our inventory came from Unlimited Services (which closed and donated all leftover items to us) this year; there wasn't as many donations from other people.
- Promotional Video - CCF and UMGC denied our grant requests; we are still waiting to hear from Aureon. Julie mentioned the video made by NHS students at CRHS for FCC; since many of the NHS kids are from St. Mary, perhaps they would be willing to help us make a Promo video this summer? Mandy will reach out to them, if they are willing to help we will work on the video over the summer.
- Cash Raffle - Each family will be getting their 10 tickets yet this week; they are encouraged to sell as many as possible. Tickets are also sold at Hanks Bar, Breitbach Garage, Riverfront Boutique, and Clayton Lighthouse. Julie will ask Sue Rausch if she will sell them at Rauschs as well. Families who are having a hard time selling tickets are encouraged to set up and sell after church. Lisa will add info about the cash raffle to all 3 church bulletins.
- Teacher Appreciation Week - We gave Erin Schmelzer Guttenberg Bucks and cake donuts for Secretary Appreciation Day on April 27. We did not give anything to Joanne Hedemann for Principals Day because we gifted her a Christmas Centerpiece in December for Catholic Principals Day. For Teacher Appreciation Week the PPA gave teachers Andes Mints (Monday), we took recess duty (Tuesday), Smoothies and Cakeballs from Blooming Branches (Wednesday), wore Red in support of education (Thursday) and let teachers leave together for lunch at Sodes (Friday). We also encouraged families to show appreciation to teachers on their own and we heard of several people bringing in other goodies. We also decorated the lunchroom and gave a gift certificate to Murrays to lunch lady Kathy Ender for her birthday on May 16.
- Classroom Leadership Opportunity - The PPA worked with Gail Broxson and Danielle Kruse to coordinate a short farewell ceremony for principal Joanne Hedeman and teachers Elizabeth Wolfe and Elsi Mwai following the talent show. Kids were involved in creating and delivering scripts. We purchased a rosebush for Joanne, a self-care package for Elizabeth, and fresh flowers for Elsie. We also provided cake afterward.
- Field Day - Adult volunteers were reminded to be at school before 8:30 on Friday. The day's schedule and teams were shared.

- Amazon Smile - is up and running! Amazon will automatically make a donation of .5% of your purchase to the school by choosing **St. Mary IC School** as your “charity” whenever you shop on www.smile.amazon.com. Lisa will type up a cheat sheet for getting started with Amazon Smile program for those who need it; it will be emailed out soon.

New Business:

- Church Auction Concession Stand July 16 - Maggie, Mandy, Kathy will work to coordinate; will likely ask for donations of baked goods, pop, water, etc to sell.
- Stars & Stripes July 2 - Brandie is checking on Funnel Cake Fries; will work with Nancy and Mandy to coordinate a foodstand for this event.
- 2022-2023 Fundraisers & Events -

Fundraisers:

FALL:

- Cash Raffle
- Product Sale - Brandie to check on options for a product sale (Versperman Farms Donuts?) - if not, we'll do Cookie Dough and/or Garbage Bags
- GermanFest (checking first to see if 8th or 7th grade classes want to sponsor/host this)

SPRING:

- Valentine Cookie Sale
- Spring Rummage Sale
- Candy Bar Sales

Due to time constraints, we were not able to discuss which non-fundraising Events we'd like to host for 2022-2023.

Upcoming School Events

- May 27 Field Day
- May 29 Graduation Mass & KC Breakfast
- July 20 PPA to sponsor FRC Mobile Food Pantry
- August 18 5-7pm Open House
- August 23 First Day of School

Closing