



FEBRUARY 15, 2024 MINUTES

Attendees: Linda Becker, Mrs. Bergstrom, Beth Durow, Mrs. Doubek, Kaylyn Harmon, Bridget Hensley, Molly Kamarainen, Libby Theuerkauf, Sarah Windbiel

Libby called the meeting to order at 3:16 P.M with an opening prayer.

MINUTES: Molly sent minutes from the January 11th meeting via GroupMe on January 16th.

TREASURER: January hot lunch profit of approximately \$300. Catholic Schools Week cost of approximately (\$1,000). 100th Day of School celebration cost of approximately (\$230). Current balance is approximately \$4,000.

OLD BUSINESS: Hot Lunch: Our March hot lunch will be hosted by Mrs. Mielke on Wednesday, March 13th with her traditional Sloppy Joes. April hot lunch we should think of something different than pizza.

Snack days for teachers: Bridget Hensley agreed to arrange a snack basket for the teachers' lounge on behalf of Home & School on February 22nd.

Spring Open House: Open House will be held on Thursday, February 29th. Libby will organize having refreshments and cookies in the gym with tables set up for families to mingle. Molly has agreed to update the Home & School board for our table and Bridget has volunteered to represent Home & School table at the Open House.

St. Patrick's Day Sucker Sale: Slips will be sent home March 1st to be returned by March 8th. Suckers will be delivered to the classrooms on March 15th. Suckers can be purchased for \$1.00 each. Students will complete a slip with who the sucker is from with a note attached. We plan to use the same Original Gourmet suckers as we did last year. Mrs. Knight confirmed the Junior High is willing to help tape messages to suckers and deliver to the student's classrooms on March 15th. Molly will collect the slips initially before handing them over to Mrs. Knight the week of March 11th as we will need to ensure each student receives a sucker and enough suckers are ordered. Molly will work on adding to calendar, News You Can Use and sending slips home.

Maintenance Appreciation: Leah Chaltry graciously offered to pull together decorations and a gift basket to celebrate Josh for Maintenance Appreciation Day on March 4th.

St. Patrick's Dance: The St. Patrick's Day Dance has been scheduled for March 8th. Molly sent a sign up for volunteers via GroupMe. Libby has confirmed Chris Gromala is willing to donate his time again this year to DJ for our dance. Molly has



confirmed Events by Brianna Jo is willing to donate her time/decorations again this year. We will keep the snacks simple and avoid any self-serve items due to the amount of sicknesses going around. Libby will create a list and send a request via GroupMe for a volunteer to shop for the items. Libby to work on a flyer including a statement that the event is for JPII families only and Molly will get it added to the calendar, NYCU and a flyer sent home.

Election of Officers: By April 1st, we should begin the election of all officers. Libby will appoint a three-member Nominating Committee consisting of 1 school staff member, 1 K-4 parent representative that is a member of the home and School Organization, and 1 5-8 parent representative that is a member of the home and School Organization. Any member of the Home and School Organization is eligible for nomination, with the exception of the school faculty and staff. Anyone interested in running should contact the Nominating Committee no later than March 30th. The approval of the slate of officers will be held at the May 9th meeting.

Apparel Website: Molly to add the next apparel website opening for Spring Break timeframe. We should consider adding more t-shirts, hoodies, cinch sacks, baseball caps, sports attire, etc. Molly will check with Mike again on his requirements for the apparel website, previously he stated only items JPTuesday approved could be added. Molly will also reach out via GroupMe for new ideas.

Spring Auction Kids Area: Spring Auction Kids Carnival will be held on May 3rd from 4:30 – 8:00 PM. Libby will compile a list of games and to-do's to begin working on. Beth stated more little prizes will be needed for this year. Libby suggested Home & School donate a Live Auction prize, such as area attraction passes, etc. Libby will send out a note via GroupMe for ideas and approval on funding.

NEW BUSINESS: Egg Hunt – April 2nd: All attendees voted in favor of hosting the Egg Hunt again this year and to use Amazon Wishlist for prizes. The teachers noted that we should focus mostly on candy rather than prizes for the older students. Preschool will still need prizes (super balls was suggested) rather than candy. Mrs. Bergstrom will get Molly a list of allergies. Molly to work on Amazon Wishlist, adding to calendar, NYCU and sending flyers home.

Movie Night – April 19th: Libby plans to send out a vote to allow the students to pick the movie this time, she will get a list of 5 movies to the teachers. We agreed to leave this as a free family event with the same concessions items with donations accepted. It was noted we should make and bag the cotton candy the day before. Libby will make a list of items needed and request a volunteer via GroupMe.

End of Year Picnic – June 6th: We are looking for ideas for the End of Year Picnic, Libby will ask via GroupMe for suggestions. Ideas brought up at the meeting were food trucks (last year was quoted very expensive), dunk tank, pie in the face,



cook out, bounce house (insurance issues?), traditional relay races, water balloon fight, etc. Mrs. Bergstrom will check on dismissal and mass time so we can coordinate with the Public School dismissal.

Heritage Parade – July 14th: All voted in favor of selling water, popcorn, character balloons, etc. along the Heritage Festival Parade route on July 14th again. Bridget suggested we have stickers with JPII logo on the waterbottles as well as the slips stapled to the popcorn bags. Molly will let Melissa know to count us in this year.

NEXT MEETING: The next Home & School meeting will be held on Thursday, March 14th – 3:15 PM in the school library.

Linda motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:42 P.M, Beth seconded.

Molly Kamarainen/Secretary