

Saint James PTA Meeting

Saint James Library

November 9, 2016

- Opening Prayer: Dana Franznick
- Principal's Report: Mrs. Giordano: Thursday, November 10th is a 1/2 day of school, and a \$2 dress down day to benefit the 7th grade's chosen charity, Holiday Express. Friday is Veteran's Day, and the school will honor our veterans by wearing red, white, and blue. The student council will place a wreath at the firehouse on Drummond Avenue. Winter uniform clarification: sweaters are optional. If a sweater is worn, it must be accompanied by a white shirt. White and green long sleeve shirts may be worn without sweater.
- President's Report: Dana Franznick: We still have chair positions open for our 50/50's and after school clubs. Our kids love the clubs! Volunteers will also be needed. The Christmas Celebrations sign-up sheet is 1 page with all volunteer openings listed with links. Student volunteers in 6,7 & 8th grades can sign up to help with the craft table, etc. We will send an e-blast to families. The Grandparents Tea will be during the Breakfast with Santa. Cost is \$5 per person. There will be a gingerbread house contest for preschool through 3rd grade. Houses will be made in class and displayed at the Breakfast. \$200 to purchase the gingerbread houses was approved by Molly Cimini and Megan Lupu. Reboot will have a table to purchase tickets for the event. Ladies Night Out has sold 100 tickets so far, with a total of 125 available for the event scheduled for Friday November 18 at the Channel Club from 6:30-9:30. Invitation and ticket order forms are in the virtual folder. Mrs. Nelson asked for class baskets to be ready ASAP with a list of contents, as she has helpers to wrap the baskets. A Saint James Dad will be offering a gold/silver/diamond buy back table at the event. Tickets purchased at the door and raffle tickets must be paid in cash as we cannot process credit cards at the event.

- Vice President's Report: Molly Cimini: The plans are currently running for the art show in the spring.
- Treasurer's Report: Dana Franznick for Lisa Noonan : No changes since the last meeting.
- Recording Secretary's Report: Caryn Owens: Attendance of Officers: Dana Franznick, Molly Cimini, Caryn Owens, and Meghan Lupu are present. Jeanne O'Connor, Rob Lowe, and Lisa Noonan were not present. October 2016 meeting notes were approved by Molly Cimini and Meghan Lupu.
- Corresponding Secretary's Report: Meghan Lupu: Halloween thank you's will be sent out. Info was sent to teachers regarding wish lists through Amazon. These would be used for parents to purchase class gifts, with links to Staples gift cards. Class parents were reminded they should not share class lists with contact information unless parents agree to share their information.
- Technology: Maria Rimmele: The school directory should be ready by next week. Maria noted we should blind CC all emails for family privacy.
- Hospitality Committee: Lori Dougherty: Help is needed for the Polar Plunge. Sign-ups are needed for food donations for Christmas events. The children will send invitations.
- Spirituality/Care Steps: Deanna Ryan: Kindergarten through 3rd grade will see Aesop's Fables at the BSA. Operation Christmas Child is under way. Boxes are available in the school lobby, with instructions and a code to track your donation.
- PFE: Ali Farro: Volunteers have been showing up as scheduled, and the program is getting up to speed.
- Royals: Polar Plunge plans are under way. Beach towels are being priced to compare with t-shirts. Kick-off is next Friday. Ken needs a list of teachers participating. Bowling night is in the works.

- SJAA: Laurie Williams: New uniforms for basketball this year! Spirit wear logo will change with our vendor with one style for all sports, and student names on the back.
- Open Discussion: Band practice is on the calendar.

Attendees

Jackie Mazzucco	8 th grade parent
Monica Lodato	8 th grade parent
Kira Nelson	Teacher
Meghan Lupo	Corresponding secretary
Kim Phillips	1 st grade parent
Tania Sarabia	4 th grade parent
Laurie Williams	SJAA Liaison
Lori Dougherty	Hospitality
Molly Cimini	Vice President
Maureen Dolan	2 nd grade parent
Jenn Mooney	8 th grade parent
Maria Rimmele	Communication/Tech
Kathy Bertekap	7 th grade parent
Gidget Zakar	TK parent
Dana Franznick	President
Caryn Owens	Recording Secretary