

St. Gerard Majella

Alliance of Parents and Teachers

Meeting Minutes from 8/25/26

1. Call to Order-Katie Sotiriou

2. Opening Prayer & Updates-Fr. Grosch

- A. New Staff: Fr. Christopher Smith – joining us from Mary Magdalen – Brentwood
- B. Repairs
 - a. Gym roof replaced
 - b. Parking lot patch, seal, and repaint to finish in October
 - c. Goal is to replace the carpet in the school
 - d. Art room floor redone
 - e. Film added to the church windows
 - f. Working with new service to update cameras
- C. 5th Grade server training – signups going out soon
- D. Fr. Grosch has been meeting up with the incoming Kindergarten families

3. Principal's Report-Ms. Gintz

- A. Curriculum night and visiting day were a success
- B. All new staff are doing well
- C. NWEA testing started this week
- D. Vision screening in a few weeks - \$5
- E. 6 security officers in our rotation at school

4. Asst. Principal's Report-Ms. Fritz

- A. 6th grade camp in October

5. President's Report-Katie Sotiriou

- B. Thank you to Kristen Stauber for all your hard work during your time as APT President
- C. Introductions of APT board

6. Vice President's Report-Beth O'Neal

7. Secretary's Report-Elisa Kelly

- A. Motion to pass previous minutes, approved

8. Treasurer's Report-Therese Haluska

- A. Budget in good shape
- B. Ice cream truck at visiting day big success
- C. Proposed budget-Additions include Ice Cream Truck for Visiting Day, increased the monthly teacher treat & amount given to faculty and staff at Christmas.
- D. Green & Gold is our top fundraiser, followed by Special Lunch/Breakfast & School Supplies.
- E. Reimbursement or questions, please email treasurer.apr.sgm@gmail.com

9. Committee Reports

a. Room Parent Coordinator – Kelly Eves

- A. Thank you for filling out room parent forms
- B. Using a centralized volunteer assignment this year for visibility
- C. 1st round of assignments coming soon
- D. Read the Room Parent Guide

b. Special Lunches – Therese Haluska, Jessie Kendrick

- A. Fall semester ordering closes Friday Aug. 28 at 11pm
- B. Pack a lunch if you do not order
 - a. September 18th – Chick-fil-a
 - b. October 20th – Krispy Kreme (preschool not included)
 - c. October 23rd – Papa John's
 - d. November 20th – Jersey Mike's
 - e. December 11th – Chick-fil-a

c. Trunk or Treat – LOOKING TO PASS ALONG

- B. Please reach out if interested in taking over
- C. October 23rd
- D. Responsibilities include
 - a. book a DJ
 - b. work with the parish office to create a signup form to send to families
 - c. assign bathroom attendant volunteers

d. Field Day – Beth O'Neal

- A. Friday May 7th – 12:30 dismissal
- B. Signup sheet for volunteers will be sent a month before Field Day
- C. Snack included for the kids - NEW THIS YEAR

e. Scholastic Book Fair – Emily Boyle, Jordan Diller, Kimberly Marxkors, Amanda McLaughlin, Lindsay McLaughlin, Kathleen Pavic, Allie Vollmer & Laura Weissler

- A. Brand new committee members
- B. Working to reduce the volunteer hours on set up and tear down
- C. Hosting a Parish Book Fair night – including preschool
- D. Bringing back Teacher Preview
- E. October 26-28

f. Mentor Family coordinators –Allie Vollmer

- A. Touch base once a month

g. Special Breakfast – Beth O’Neal

- B. Pricing the same as last year
- C. Preschool not included

h. Grandparents & Special Friends Day – Lauren Lemmon, Angie Kling, Kathleen Pavic, Jennifer Young

- A. February 5th
- B. Looking into renting a bus to shuttle families from the church across the street

i. Teacher Christmas Fund – Jenni Brake, Courtney Baldes

- A. need shadows/looking to pass along
- B. How it works – a flyer is sent out asking for cash donations, money collected is split between all teachers

j. Queen of Peace Center – Therese Haluska

- A. On December 4th, around St. Nick’s Day, we do a collection for an organization in need
- B. Looking for help with supplies and driving them to the location
- C. Great for volunteer hours

k. Catholic School’s Week – Kristen Stauber, Katie Lorentz, Emily Boyle

- A. January 31 - February 5
- B. Teachers plan the theme and activities
- C. CSW committee will send a sign up for volunteers

l. School Supply Kits – Katie Eisenbeis

- A. 230 kits sold this year

m. Box Tops - Therese Haluska

- A. New this year: if you want to send your receipts into school for me to scan, I am happy to scan for you. You must turn them in right away so I can scan them within the 14 day window. Put them in envelopes or paper clip them with a note to send to Office - attn: Box Tops/APT. We currently make about \$15 a month, but I know that amount could be higher.

n. Restaurant Fundraisers

- B. Looking for volunteers – if interested reach out to APT

o. Green & Gold Raffle – Alyssa Della Camera

- C. Brought in about \$70,000
- D. Motion passed to change to 1 time a year drawing and payout (NEXT YEAR)

p. Used Uniform Sale – Jessica Doneff, Allie Vollmer, Molly Hollerman

- A. Made \$1500
- B. Collection year round, bins in the front office
- C. Donating items not sold to nearby parishes in need

q. School Pictures – Christy Patton, Sara Loft, Missy Wood

- A. Retake October 8th

r. Greentree Festival Parade - Sarah Burkemper

10. Old Business

A. Committees to fill-

1. Trunk or Treat

2. Teacher Gift Fund

3. Restaurant Fundraisers

11. New Business

B. 8th Grade Fundraisers

- a. Selling Shakespeare's Pizza – helps fund activities for the end of the year
- b. Volunteer hours needed

C. Auction

- a. March 6th 2027
- b. Same venue as last year – Marriott St. Louis West
- c. Kickoff meeting Monday 8/31 @ 7:30pm

Meeting Adjourned

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