

St. Agnes PTO minutes

Jan. 10, 2024

I. Welcome - Samantha Schoborg

- Sam discussed recently meeting with other PTO groups.
 - All are currently planning their major fundraisers. St. Joe's @ the Syndicate. Blessed Sacrament @ Receptions in Erlanger.
 - One thing we're currently not doing that could be good is tapping into St. Agnes alumni to attend/support Big Blue Bash plus our parishioners.
 - They also shared potential ideas for Catholic Schools Week, which Sam plans to share with our planning committee for 2025.
 - A big emphasis, however, was on integrating grandparents more directly with the schools. For instance, one school has a Grandparents Club, where once a month grandparents help with small tasks around the school (i.e. putting books away in the library) while also seeing their grandchildren for a small portion of their time there.

II. Principal's report - None

III. Committee updates

- a. Apple Program
 - i. Heather shared the sign ups again on SA Families and will ask Mindy to put in the newsletter.
- b. Big Blue Bash
 - i. Will take place March 22 at the Newport Car Barn. Tickets will cost \$75 per person.
 - ii. Event will begin at 7:00 so parents whose children are going to the NDA prom that night will have plenty of time to see their kids off.
 - iii. Theme is Big Blue & Bling. Think diamonds and basketball.
 - 1. There will be four big screens for watching NCAA tournament games.
 - 2. The DJ that does the Moffett Tournament will do the music, etc.
 - 3. Catering, drinks and decor are taken care of.
 - iv. Committee is diving into raffles now.
 - 1. Need to reach out to universities in the area for items for school-themed raffle baskets.
- c. Wildcat Social
 - i. Father/daughter dance is scheduled for Jan. 19 in the school gym. Theme is glow party, i.e. neon and black lights. As of Jan. 11, 62 families were registered.
 - ii. Mother son needs a planner, though we settled on coordinating a kickball tournament with a grill out component. Date TBD. Sam will follow up.
 - iii. Threw out the idea of replacing Family Day with doing a package of tickets to a Florence Y'all's game after Family Day had low turnout last year and we are unsure of when the playground construction might begin.
- d. Plant sales

- i. Spring plant sale will begin in March, with delivery set for the week prior to Mother's Day.
 - e. Christmas market
 - i. We made \$2,320 on this year's market. That's above our budgeted earnings.
 - ii. Stacey has already spoken with the company about sending more items initially so we don't run into delivery/supply issues like we did this year.
 - f. Eat out nights
 - i. We have just Skyline scheduled for the remainder of the year.
 - ii. Discussed new options for next year.
 - 1. Texas Roadhouse
 - a. Encourage you to do a gift card sale in the fall and an eat out night in the spring.
 - 2. Penn Station
 - a. The owner of Penn Station's wife is the PTO president for Villa and they would be willing to host.
 - b. Sam needs to determine if the Ft. Wright location is included or if it's just Buttermilk Pike.
 - 3. Pizza options: LaRosa's OR Donatos. Both do eat out nights for other schools and could be good options for us as well.
 - g. Room parents
 - i. No updates. We will have a new coordinator for this in the 2025 school year.
 - h. School supply sale
 - i. Set and ready to go for the 2025 school year.
 - i. Box Tops
 - i. We still participate though reimbursement is much lower, likely the result of fewer participating brands.
 - ii. Discussed increasing communication about the program, as well as Kroger's program.
 - 1. Potential to help people sign up for Kroger program during a Donut Sunday
 - a. Meg to create flier guiding people through the sign up.

IV. Treasurer report - Amy Lantz

- We have paid our portion for the playground (\$20,000) as well as the STEM lab (\$10,000).

V. Other items

- a. Catholic Schools Week
 - i. Committee is meeting with staff next week to share what is planned for this year.

VI. Meeting news

- Next meeting is March 13 at 7 p.m. in the library. Main topic will be finalizing details for the Big Blue Bash/spring plant sale.
 - End of year meeting - May 8

- Big Blue Bash meeting - Feb. 27 at the Newport Car Barn