

St Ann's Academy Parents' Association (SAPA) Meeting Minutes from May 11, 2021

Present: Mike Simpson, Patrick Niwa, Joel Loehr, Lauren Phillips, Lisa Anderson, Rosie Caputo, Catherine Dishke, Adigo Angela Achoba-Omajali, Sara Thomson, Yohairy Checo, Mae Romero

1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Mike welcomed everyone, called the meeting to order at 6:33, Joel led the opening prayer, and a round of introductions were made.

2. Adoption of agenda – m/s Mae/Catherine – carried.

3. Adoption of minutes – m/s Mae/Rosie – carried.

4. Administration Report – Mr. Niwa

- Enormous gesture of gratitude for Joel and Committee – lunches for students were a success
- Covid busters – effective 10x over; students and teachers very enthusiastic and participating; everyone is very gratuitous

5. Presidents Report

- AGM – June 2021 – budget will be set and approved
- Elections to be held
- 2 vacancies – president and vice president
- Mike, 5 years with SAPA, and Lisa, 4 years with SAPA, will be available for transition

6. Finances

- Treasurer's Report:
- Financial Gaming Account – running total, including outstanding cheques, is \$76k
 - referring to the spreadsheet, revenue has not changed
 - elementary doves – bill for supplies
 - student activities - \$1361.78 - \$250 under budget
 - soccer goals posts ordered - \$5170 – under budget
 - regarding staff appreciation – no money left in budget

7. Old Business

- Doves* – have been painted – need to be put on fence
 - Where placed? On fence facing hospital – no opposing views

8. Correspondence: Email submitted from Michelle Finney, in response to SAPA being open and flexible. Parent response is very appreciative.

9. Funding Requests:

- Strategic Financial Plan – also need Strategic Maintenance and Capital Plan – hoping for September, 2021
- school looks tired – Mr. Niwa working on
- does not fall under SAPA – would be Diocese's responsibility

10. New Business:

- trial of e-transfer with St Ann's for canteen
- idea – do a trial of something easy and with short duration, in order to see how it works and how SAPA could get funds
- CISKD – unsure of process/workload/communicative info – is a new initiative
- idea – target a class for Munch n' Lunch – Mr Niwa and SAPA approves – superintendent's office will be involved
- Rosie volunteered to work with Stephanie

11. Committee Reports:

Covid Busters

- Had lunch for students; 180 HS and 164 Elementary – went smoothly
- Spring Carnival – May 28, inflatables and lunches – will need parent volunteers
- June 23 – waterpark for elementary students
- HS to get free lemonade day – date not set yet
- Under budget by \$308
- Idea – Covid busters committee to present to teachers – Joel willing to come in early next week to provide schedule to teachers
- Will need 10/12 parent volunteers
- Joel to set up schedule

Scholarship Committee

- Rosie – numerous scholarship applications
- Amita/Rosie/Lauren to review next week
- June 14 – graduation mass
- June 17 is grad dress say
- June 18 – cross the stage
- Can give cheques in June

Parents for Online Safety - Yohairy

- October 19, 2021 – 6-7pm session
 - o SD 73 to hold meeting
 - o Online risks and emerging trends
 - o This has to get approved by Diocese for St Ann's
 - o Discussion about approving resources will occur soon
- Parenting for Purity Talk
 - o Approved by SAPA
 - o June 14 availability
 - o Heidi to work with Patrick
 - o Is for parents K-12 – discuss online safety

Staff Appreciation

- Already used budget for staff appreciation
- Idea – fast food truck for teachers
- \$ needs to come from non-gaming account

- Motion – ceiling up to \$1600 for staff appreciation for lunch from food truck – excess spending due to COVID restrictions and lack of funds spent throughout the school year
 - o m/s – Crystal/Lisa – all in favor, 9; opposed, 0 – motion carried
 - o Lisa arranging

12. Adjournment of meeting: 7:54pm; closing prayer: Angela

Next SAPA meeting – Tuesday, June 8, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

AGM next meeting