

St Mary's Academy Parents' Guild Meeting Minutes

Date: November 2, 2021

Online via Zoom Meeting hosted by Jennifer Tesoro

Call to order- 7:00pm

Land Acknowledgment and Commitment to Reconciliation- Rosalinda Amato

Opening Prayer – Jennifer Tesoro

Approval of Agenda

Motioned: Rosa M

2nd: Rosalinda A

Approval of Previous Minutes – Sept 28, 2021

Motioned: Rosa M

2nd: Rosalinda A

SMA President's Report / Board Report– Jennifer Tesoro

- Jennifer would like to use PG funds towards Tech development for students: Cameras (SLR), other media items
- Open House set for January. Will be Virtual
- Started highly active open house/recruiting campaign: Jennifer is asking community to spread the word and share packages with their relative communities. Jennifer will be visiting various parishes to speak about SMA
- As of Oct. 21, Keri Moore no longer on staff. New position will be specific to admissions and marketing.
- New IT support tech has been hired (Nov 1)
- New receptionist to start Nov 15
- Supply teacher hired, will be on hand in the case of sick/symptomatic teacher needing time off

- Traffic plan: being revisited and traffic flow reviewed, may require new signage etc. to ensure a safer flow of traffic
- School Board Inc. Meeting scheduled for Nov 29. All board members were asked to take the 4 seasons of Reconciliation prior to meeting.
- SMA looking for volunteer archivist to help the Sisters.
- Health and Safety committee has been started
- This year's Yearbook will be in colour
- Jennifer will be having meetings with the various subject department teachers to discuss curriculum and any attendance/ learning gaps demonstrated by students and how to address those
- The Triangle is up and running. Positive feedback from the community

PG Executive Committee Reports

President – Ramona Thomson

- All fall events on hold due to restrictions

Volunteers – 2nd VP Jennifer Melo

- Volunteers needed for Corner Store and Tartan Shop

Treasurer – Rosa Meneses

Approval of Financial Report as presented:

Motioned by: Ramona T

2nd by: Rosalinda A

Committee Updates – 1st VP Michelle Saltel

Corner Store: Continuing with candy sales, new holiday/seasonal items in store

Tartan Shop: Has received new stock

International Day: tentatively set for spring pending restrictions

Parents' Guild Cash Lottery: will launch in March, draw to be held in April

Hospitality: currently no events

Special Events: none

Torch Talks: Will be held virtually in Feb. Theme TBD by January

Golf Tournament: set for June 2022

Miscellaneous/New Business:

none

Next PG Meeting: December 7, 2021 6:00pm

Adjournment: 7:29pm