

ST. MARY'S ACADEMY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

AUNNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2020

Present: • Sally Taylor-Alexander '77• Kaitlyn Militano '06• Athena Dinos '83• Emma Sherren '11• Michelle Saltel (Moore '95)• Carolyn Eva Meadows '83• Cathie Cronin-Licharson '75• Marcia McKenzie (Maia '92)• Maria Mitousis '95• Marla Armstrong (Smendziuk '90• Sara Craven '08• Yvonne Bayer-Cheung '91 Honourary Member — Sr. Marylyn Gibney • Sister Josephine Chudzik '59• Sister Alice Konefall '58• Christina Kenny (Sheleste '96)• Cheryl Prokopanko (Balaberda '72)
• Cynthia Balaberda '77• Isabella Santiago '20• Connie Yunyk (Scerbo '77)• Amy Houston '03

Regrets: Jaime Duha (Prystenski '07), Susan Clubb '71, Colleen Baker -'83

1. **Welcome:** Michelle Saltel ('95) opened the meeting at 7:06 pm with Prayer and Treaty Acknowledgement
2. **Approval of Minutes from September 28, 2019.**

Motion to approve the 2019 Minutes of: Athena Dinos ('83)

Seconded by: Sara Craven ('08)

CARRIED

3. **President's Report:** Michelle Saltel ('95)
 - a) SMAAA provided desserts for the 'Come and See' evening on October 8th, 2019 for visiting SNJM schools as part of the 150th celebrations
 - b) SMAAA hosted a Christmas Card Making Workshop on December 4th, 2019 in the Human Ecology lab with Carmen Sichewski, Clothing and Textiles, providing the instruction; hot chocolate and cookies were served
 - c) SMAAA members contributed to Gift Bags from the Heart and several SMAAA members volunteered to pick up and deliver the bags
 - d) SMAAA hosted a dinner at The Welcome Home on February 20, 2020 - thank you to Stephanie Grabeau, SMAAA Past President for organizing
 - e) Covid-19 lockdowns and limitations on gathering sizes forced the cancellation of the Marian Awards and Homecoming. Upcoming cancellations include the December

Celebration which was scheduled for Dec.6th as well as Drinks Under the Dome for 2020 graduates.

- f) SMAAA hosted a virtual card making event on Nov.18th, 2020 via Zoom with Carmen Sichewski, Human Ecology, hosting/demonstrating the activity. There were 29 kits sold and shipped to alumnae. Thank you to Amy Houston from the Alumnae office for assisting. We donated the proceeds of \$160 to the Holy Names House of Peace.
- g) SMAAA provided lunch to all SMA staff on November 27th to thank them for their service to the SMA community, especially during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- h) Although the December Celebration is cancelled, alumnae were invited to attend the school's virtual prayer service honoring the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Dec.4th, 2020

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Athena Dinos (83')

July 1/2019 to June 30/2020

School auditors (KPMG) have reviewed the SMAAA books, in accordance with financial policy.

Motion to approve Treasurer's report as presented: Athena Dinos (83')

Seconded: Maria Mitousis ('95)

CARRIED

Nominations Report: Sally Taylor Alexander ('77)

Our proposed slate for 2020-2021 is:

President: Sally Taylor Alexander ('77)

Vice President: Kaitlyn Militano ('06)

Treasurer: Athena Dinos ('83)

Secretary: Emma Sherren ('11)

Motion accept the nomination as stated: Michelle Saltel ('95) Seconded: Kaitlyn Militano ('06)

5. **Adjournment at 7:24 pm:** Moved by: Michelle Saltel ('95)