

# St. John the Baptist HSA Meeting Minutes In Person/Zoom Meeting

**Date:** October 27th, 2020

**Time:** 6:30pm

**Present:** Jonna Johnson, Cathy McAuley, Katleen Dethier, Jessica Nuhn, Amy Fontaine and 3 parents . Also 9 on ZOOM call.

**Absent:** None

**Opening Prayer:** Cathy McAuley

## **Old Business-**

**President's Report:** Welcoming of all new families.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

-Opening balance is \$18,503.74. Pending bills to be submitted, total Fall Fest Deposits totaled \$14,578.25. Total deposits since last meeting total \$17,314.80. Total checks written \$1000.76. Balance in account as of October 27<sup>th</sup> is \$34,817.78. Minus \$2810.15 in approved appropriated funds, gives a total operating balance of \$32,007.63.

-Jessica also noted that the teachers are using their \$50 for start-up fees. Any teachers that still have not taken advantage of this still have time to submit receipts.

-Also still waiting on candy bar deposit receipts from rectory.

Motion to approve Treasure's report: Rita Geis and Gwen Wrotniak

### **Vice President's Report:**

-Nothing new to report.

### **Secretary's Report:**

-Please take a couple of minutes to fill out the digital form for the family directory that can be found in the last BFF. Only fill out information that you want included in family directory. Mrs. Johnson will also include the link in the October 28<sup>th</sup> BFF.

### **Principal Report:**

-Check your email for the Blue Family Folder (BFF) every Wednesday. A lot of information is packed in there with all the important links for different items.

-Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, which is also a day off from school due to Election Day. The intent was to combine both so the day in December was not needed. Conferences can be done in person, virtually or by phone. Please contact your teacher to set up a time.

-Halloween will be celebrated on October 30<sup>th</sup>. Please refer to the BFF last week and this in regards to the rules for costumes.

-All information can be found on the school website under "Parent Info".

-Sweepstake tickets were also sent home

-The children seemed to struggle at the beginning of this school year, with the end of last year being so different. There are no huge gaps in learning. With the dedication of the teachers and support of parents, this all helped in the success of our children at the end of last year. Keep in mind this will most likely be discussed during conferences.

-Sound system in the school, which had many issues, has been resolved. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class from last year made a generous donation, which paid a huge chunk. The remainder was paid with the help of a grant.

-Please take the time to vote on Election Day. There are many different ways to do so. It sets a wonderful example to our children of our civic duty.

### **Fall Fest- Michelle Zaleski**

-Michelle wanted to extend a huge thank you to everyone for all their help and donations. Everyone did a wonderful job. The event was a huge success.

### **New Business-**

**-Sweepstakes and Babcias-** November 14<sup>th</sup>

Tickets were sent home. They are \$20 a ticket. We are asking each family to sell five tickets. Any unsold ticket need to be sent back to school along with sold tickets and money. If you need more tickets, please call the office and they will be sent home. You can preorder for the Babcias takeout or buy online. Babcias tend to sell out fast, so preordering might be the way to go.

### **-Christmas Raffle-**

-Since we are unable to have St. Nick's night this year due to current circumstances, we are really hoping to use the raffle as a big event. The selling of tickets will be similar to the sweepstake tickets. Hoping to start ticket sales after Thanksgiving and the drawing will be right before Christmas vacation. Final dates will be announced in the near future. We are hoping to raffle off about 5 big ticket items. We are still working on putting ideas together for those. In the past we have done overnights, IPAD, and large gift certificates. All and any ideas are welcome.

-Shannon (parent at meeting) works for Basil Ford and they will be donating \$250 gift certificate to Russell's Steakhouse.

**Secret Santa Shopping** - \*\*There will still be St. Nick's shopping for the children during school hours. This event is always a big hit with the kids. \*\*

### **-Pie Sale-**

-The sale will be November 21st. Pies have always been sold for \$10. There is the idea that we should possibly charge more due to cost of ingredients. Mrs. Johnson will be posting a Facebook survey to see what the thoughts are on increasing. We will need people to please sign up to bake pies. More information will be coming soon.

### **-Volunteer Hours-**

**-1 Hour can be earned in the following ways:**

- Every box of candy sold
- Every pie that is donated to pie sale
- Every raffle ticket sold
- Every basket that was donated to Fall Fest

-Please contact Cathie McAuley with any questions or to check on hours earned so far.

### **-Final Note-**

-HSA has always helped with operating costs in the amount of \$10,000. This year the HSA (all families and faculty) have been asked to increase that amount to \$25,000. That means on top of all that was already planned. The goal is to get rid of the disconnect between school and parish fundraising.

**“We Are the St. John's Family”**

**Next meeting date November 23rd @6:30**

Motion to adjourn: Rita Greis and Jessica Nuhn