

SSPJ School Board Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2019 at 7pm

Members Present: Fr. Tom Haggerty, Ms. Diane Anderson, Mr. Jonathan Nicastro, Ms. Kelly McGovern, Mrs. Jennine Cullen, Mrs. Deborah Radosta, Mr. Michael Radosta, Mrs. Tania Willman, Dr. Lisa Stephen, Mrs. Tracy McAlvin, Dr. Gus Mantia, Mrs. Jennifer Wos, Mr. Matthew Carey

Members Excused: Mrs. Nancy Greubel

1. Principal's Report - Ms. Diane Anderson

- a. Enrollment is at 191, and the ideal enrollment would be 220. There is currently an extensive wait for Nursery school, so we want to offer an additional Nursery class
- b. New families and families from St. Joseph's will be welcomed with and at the show. Someone from the class will say hello.
- c. Sts. Philip and James was well represented at the 5K and the STEM Fair
- d. Faith in the Public Square recognition
- e. First annual spelling bee in 5-8th grade on May 1st. Top winner moves on the St. Patrick's in Bay Shore for the Diocesan level competition
- f. At the upcoming assembly, there will be recognition for the softball team, STEM winners and 5K participants
- g. The angel statue was delivered for the Katie Farrell Memorial playground. A bench will also be installed. We are in the process of getting quotes.
- h. Camps R' Us wants to host a mini festival before the end of the school year. Jobs for teenagers will be available and announced in the bulletin this week.
- i. An additional two lockdown drills will be conducted before the end of the school year, and resource officers will come and assist as they have in the past. When practicing these drills, staff is conducting a sweep of the bathrooms.

2. Pastor's Report - Father Tom Haggerty

- a. Training to become a VIRTUS trainer will be held on April 11th at 11am in Bayshore. Training session is 2 hours. Other option is to have someone come to SSPJ in May in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Radosta expressed interest in attending on April 11th and the others will see what date is available in May.
- b. A new altar, from a convent in Blue Point, has been setup in the basement/auditorium

3. Guild Report - Mrs. Jennine Cullen and Mrs. Deborah Radosta

- a. Positive feedback was received regarding Trivia Night. Looking to increase participation in the future.
- b. The SSPJ Carnival will be held in the main parking lot as it was in prior years
- c. Bingo Night served as a great night for the parish and school community with a minimal cost to run the event
- d. Father Daughter Dance was successful
- e. Dine Around is scheduled for May 6th
- f. Fashion Show is scheduled for May 30th

4. **President's Report** - Mr. Jonathan Nicastro

- a. King's Park Day is scheduled for June 15th, and Smithtown Day is scheduled for June 2nd
 - i. The tent in the Stained Glass room will be borrowed and used to support the events
 - ii. Mr. Nicastro will coordinate the days, but will need assistance to help setup and manage the events
 - iii. Consideration to hand out giveaways and attach the SSPJ school label on them
- b. Mrs. Willman will create a Google Form to assist the school in capturing the expertise of members of our school community. In this way, parents can share their special talents or gifts and be a part of the solution at SSPJ.
- c. Dr. Lisa Stephen coordinated the order of Easter flowers and asked for confirmation that the SSPJ school is all set for a 10am delivery. A reminder to lay plastic underneath the flowers, and also that the tulle will be provided
- d. Regarding the Open School Board Meeting, Mrs. Willman will create a Google Form as an anonymous survey option for parents to submit questions or concerns in advance. Agenda for the Open School Board meeting will be driven by the responses of the Google Form survey.
- e. With regard to security and safety, a plan is in progress for the start of the 2019-2020 school year.

Next Meeting: Open School Board Meeting on May 20th, 2019 at 7pm in the auditorium