

SSPJ School Board Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2020 at 7pm

Members Present: Fr. Tom Haggerty, Ms. Diane Anderson, Ms. Jennifer Wos, Dr. Gus Mantia, Mrs. Jennine Cullen, Mrs. Tracy McAlvin, Ms. Kelly McGovern, Dr. Denice Franco, Mrs. Christina Hughes, Mr. Matt Carey, Mrs. Tania Willman, Mr. Jonathan Nicastro

1. **Opening Prayer** - Fr. Tom opened the meeting with a prayer.

2. Principals' Report- Ms. Diane Anderson

- I. Ms. Anderson, Fr. Tom and the school board thanked Mr. Nicastro for his service as President to the School Board, and welcomed Mrs. Jennifer Wos as the incoming President, thanking her as well for her service.
- II. Annual Family Contribution to Parish/School- Discussion took place regarding the family contribution to the parish, a reminder that by the close of 2020, family's are asked to support the Parish and ultimately the school with their annual contribution of \$600 per family, for the 2020 calendar year.
- III. Community Support for SSPJ- Discussion took place regarding opportunities to generate support for the school in the community, through organizations and businesses seeking to endorse and support ongoing Catholic education. Suggestions included establishing a Foundation for SSPJ.
 - a. *Action Item:*
 - i. *Mrs. Wos to collaborate with a subgroup from the school board and draft a letter for networking in the community with individuals and businesses.*

3. Pastor's Report- Fr. Tom Haggerty

- I. Fr. Tom welcomes everyone back to church and mass, as well as the sacraments at SSPJ, we are still operating under limitations in the church and the sanctuary, Father will continue to provide updates regarding any changes or developments.
- II. SSPJ has been impacted by the pandemic- our continued support of the parish and prayer is as important as ever during these times.

4. Guild Report- Mrs. Cullen

- A. Mrs. Cullen reported that although we are limited in the types of in person fundraising we are permitted to hold at this time, we are still doing lots of fundraising to continue to support our school.
 - a. The end of year T shirt sale, Fall Plant Sale, Moes dinner out, and AirPods Raffle were great fundraising.
 - b. The Charleston Wrap fundraiser is presently underway.
 - c. Coming soon will be the Christmas Raffle and the Christmas Tree Sale, the next dinner out will be in November at the Green Turtle.
 - d. A very generous family, who wishes to remain anonymous, has donated the AirPods for the October raffle and an iPad for an upcoming raffle.
 - e. Other ideas for the future include a Tag Sale in the Spring.
 - f. There will be a planning meeting Thursday October 22 for Christmas Tree Sales, it is anticipated that new supplies will be needed this year for the set up, i.e., lumber, pallets.

Round Table:

School board members suggested that the school board members be included in emails and correspondence about events and news in school.

The group shared positive thoughts and experiences regarding the new school year and gratitude for the ability for students, faculty, staff, administration, our Pastor, and priests and school board members to work together. The group emphasized that we will continue to proceed with patience and flexibility.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Next Meeting Date: November 23 at 7:00 pm