

## **SSPJ School Board Meeting Minutes**

**January 11, 2021 at 7pm**

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

Excused: Dr. Lisa Stephens

I. **Opening Prayer-** Fr. Tom opened the meeting with a prayer, A Prayer for Peace.

II. **Principal's Report- Ms. Diane Anderson**

1. Ms. Anderson announced that our Annual Giving Day is approaching, our Goal this year is to raise \$10,000.00, Ms. Anderson will share the link, and it will also be shared on the Alumni page, all are asked to share the link with our family, friends, community.

III. **Pastor's Report-** Fr. Tom Haggerty

1. Fr. Tom shared that the parish is still awaiting the dates for confirmation this year; there is a provisional date set for First Holy Communion, based on the status of the pandemic and guidelines from the DOH, CDC and DRVC.

IV. **Guild Report-** Mrs. Jennine Cullen-

1. Mrs. Cullen reported that we are on target for our goal of \$70,000 for the current school year.
2. The Christmas raffle was successful, and we have more events coming up, including, Sqaure1Art, the Read a thon, and more raffles. A very generous family, wishing to remain anonymous has donated one-month tuition, for one child, for the January raffle; the monthly raffles have been a great success.

**IV. Public Relations Committee-** Mr. Carey and Dr. Franco

1. Mr. Carey and Dr. Franco reported that the social media presence for SSJP alumni and community is growing and doing well, the Facebook page is linked to Instagram. There have been great posts which are bringing lots of attention to all the good things that have come from SSPJ and continue to grow. Posts will be highlighting graduates, teachers, faculty and alumni businesses.
2. Mr. Carey and Dr. Franco are partnering with other schools in the Diocese on social media, to increase cross posting and a social media presence, presently working with St. Anthony's High School, as well as other Catholic High Schools.

**V. President's Report-** Mrs. Jennifer Wos

1. Mrs. Wos confirmed that the paperwork for the SSPJ Foundation has been submitted, and is now awaiting approval. Thank you to Mrs. Cullen and the subcommittee for all of their hard work and assistance in making this happen.
2. Mrs. Wos asked for Volunteers from the school board to speak at the masses in the upcoming weekends, about SSPJ school, and upcoming Catholic Schools Week, a sign-up genius has gone out to the school board members via email.

**VII. Round Table Discussion:**

The group extended a big thank you to Mr. Cullen for managing the setup, maintenance and breaking down of the site for the Christmas tree sale, and Mrs. Cullen for all of her hard work in organizing, scheduling a great success.

**Meeting adjourned at: 7:35pm**

**Next Meeting: February 8 at 7:00 pm**