

HSA Friday, October 8 Meeting Notes

1. Opening Prayer & Introductions
 - a. 12 attendees in person, 8 via Zoom, and 2 staff present
2. Heggie's Pizza
 - a. **Need volunteers** for distribution. Will send link to sign-up in newsletter and/or email.
 - i. <https://school.saintvdp.org/heggies-pizza>
 - b. Feedback
 - i. Add pizza description to order form
 - ii. Donation option is popular
3. Family Fun Weekend
 - a. Coffee distribution in car line. **Need volunteers** 7-7:45 am on 10/15.
 - b. Treats for students
 - c. Weekend scavenger hunt for families/groups
 - d. Feedback
 - i. What is the purpose and/or goal? Community building. Replaces Marathon at Elm Creek. Hoping to implement a fun run on campus, but not yet possible.
4. Teacher Treats Snack Sign-up
 - a. **Looking for volunteers** to provide snacks for staff meetings. About 40 people.
 - i. **Link to URL**
5. Fall Conferences
 - a. HSA will be providing dinner and lunch to staff
 - b. Feedback
 - i. Will conferences be in person? Yes.
 - ii. Should used uniforms be put out for families? Yes.
 - iii. Is it ok for both parents to attend this year? Yes.
 - iv. Should middle school kids attend? Will check with teachers and communicate to families.
6. Veterans Day
 - a. Looking for ideas on how to celebrate without the ability for veterans in the building this year.
 - b. Feedback
 - i. Families send in photos to display in the hall
 - ii. Flags outside (similar to Providence Academy's 9/11 tribute)
 - iii. Write cards to Steeple Point resident veterans
 - iv. Could family veterans come visit at recess or car line?
 - v. Patriotic music at morning drop-off
 - vi. Pray for the souls of veterans in the St. Vincent cemetery. Student council could look for 'veteran' marked headstones and families could submit names for prayers.
 - vii. Make cards for the VA hospital or local veteran nursing homes
7. 2021 Volunteers
 - a. Not yet allowed in school, but will reevaluate later

- b. Feedback
 - i. Does this impact rosary making event?
 - ii. Are parents allowed in school for classroom parties (i.e. Halloween)? Not at this time. Could kids stay in costume for after-school pick up since parents aren't yet able to attend?
8. Spirit Wear
- a. Fall order has been sorted. Some items are on back-order (mostly uniform pieces)
 - b. Athletic items have been hard to fulfill and will likely be delayed
 - c. Champlin Athletic is trying to source as best they can from US made products
 - d. Christmas sale
 - i. SV receives 10% back from sales
 - ii. Does the possibility of delays affect the timing of a Christmas sale?
 - e. Feedback
 - i. Could we move the sale to Catholic Schools week and retain the 10% bonus?
 - ii. Communicate that families can still purchase in-store if needed (will check with Champlin Athletic if 10% could still apply). Possibly choose a week (similar to Chipotle or Raising Cane's events)
9. Open Discussion
- a. Backpack Fundraiser similar to Twin Cities Twisters. Personalized with logo and student name.
 - b. Jostens Pictures
 - i. Retakes
 1. About 60 students and staff need photo retakes
 2. Keep retake date as is?
 - a. Affected families could drive to Jostens for photos
 3. Working with Jostens for other options (two half days, add a 3rd date, or potentially have parent photographer supplement)
 4. Could alternative time be made available for distance learning 6th graders?
 5. Could students attend a photo day at a neighboring Catholic school?
 - ii. Jostens vs. Lifetouch
 1. Price increases YOY. Could this be due to the pandemic or is Jostens higher?
 2. Not all were happy with Jostens quality
 - c. BIZAA fundraiser status
 - i. Look for ways to incorporate
 - ii. School has intentionally limited the number of fundraisers to focus on core needs
 - d. Mrs. Dawson returning from maternity leave with a modified schedule to start. Should be back FT Nov/Dec. Teachers and staff are planning a welcome back activity with student participation.
10. Next meeting Friday, November 12th at 7:45am