

St. Sebastian HASA Meeting



29 February 2024 / 7:00 PM / Z-Hall

ATTENDEES

HASA Board, Principal Rohr, Molly Burns & 13 attendees

AGENDA/NOTES

1. Opening Prayer Bernadette Gibson, HASA President
2. Vice Presidents Update Tina Davenport, Vice President
 - a. Catholic Schools Week Volunteer Recap - well received; teachers greatly appreciated the hour long lunch; nice to be able to see teachers from different lunch periods; will definitely continue this for next year; Socials considering this for May 2024
3. Treasurer's Update Theresa Wilgus, HASA Treasurer
 - a. Budget and Spending update - through Dec 23 - Read-a-thon brought in less than expected, may need to consider moving this fundraiser until after the holidays; budget recovered from Santa Shop; Acme receipts collected up to 2/15/24; few more few trips left for the school year
4. Secretary's Update Priya Hickey, HASA Secretary - not in attendance
5. Teacher Representative's Report Molly Burns, HASA Teacher's Rep
 - a. Teachers appreciate hour long lunch, and monthly teacher luncheons; it was nice knowing which parent would be in their classroom so they could prepare students as there was a change in routine; all worked out well; consider purchasing togo containers

for teacher luncheons; review of Bloomz at the beginning of the school year, as parents need to know how to use the app, maybe create a one-sheet w/all logins for each organization; this may get better once Clever is implemented; need to determine if Bloomz has more features to make it more effective such as lunch or field trip payments

6. Presidents Update Bernadette Gibson, HASA President

- a. Baby Jesus Blessing Recap - partnered with Our Mother Hands and will work with them again; good number of participants; provided craft, food, and giveaways
- b. HASA Scholarship - congratulations to recipients Frances Knauer and June Taray; both attending Hoban in the fall; each student awarded \$1000 each, these monies are from HASA dues; scholarship mass is Mar 14, 2024; only 8 applications, would like to see more students apply
- c. Father Daughter Dance - initial planning kickoff; hosted by the 2nd and 5th grade moms; should we have pizza? potential re-usable themes neon/Glo or 'Candyland' may be able to use black lights from Monster Mash; budget allows for \$500 for decor, Dj, and food; Friday April 26, 2024 in z-hall at 6p
- d. School Supply Fundraiser - in planning process, orders will be opening after Easter break; key is being as specific as possible in terms of what items are requested; broken items will be replaced; rep will be providing samples; teachers liked the packages because they (1) were already in the classroom (2) they were sure the items were ones they wanted; families will be able to order items over spring break
- e. HASA Board Nominations, election process - transition to new board in June; nominations are open, nominate yourself or someone else for the HASA board

7. Principal's Report Anthony Rohr, Principal

- a. Hallow App for the school, everyone in support; agreed to the 4-year subscription that allows for parent and student access with additional discounts; utilize principal discretionary funds to cover costs, kick off event, 6 months free with first bill September 2024; audience member recommended beefing up religious curriculum, child friendly Stations of the Cross books, see if The Foundation will cover the cost; STEM reviews occurring March 11, 2024; partner with NET ministry, they come onsite provide all materials and conduct programming, dates 3/15/24, 4/30/24, 5/6/24, and 7/8/24, will need housing for 10-12 people, potentially have older kids lead younger students on retreats; audience member mentioned American Heritage programming; 3-week session learning project, next year 6 weeks, McKeenham Education group for 8th graders only

8. Closing Prayer - Hail Mary

9. Save the Date for 2023-24 Events:

- a. Friday April 26, 2024 - Father Daughter Dance

ACTION ITEMS

1. Hallow App implementation
2. Father Daughter Dance theme selection
3. Nominations for new HASA board