

St. Mary of the Assumption Home School Association (HSA)

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 14, 2020

Meeting Time: 7:00 pm

- I. Omar Wilkins, HSA President
 - a. Call to order @ 7:02 pm
 - b. Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year
- II. Father LaHood
 - a. Opening Prayer
- III. Principal Ashley Lewis, Principal's Corner
 - a. Overall things are going well in school and with virtual learning at home
 - b. Results from the most recent parent survey
 - i. Majority of parents are not ready for their child to be back in the building
 - ii. Will continue with virtual learning
 - iii. Virtual learning will continue to be offered but will look different when the time is right, and the school decides to proceed with in-person instruction
 - iv. A google form will be created to request specific supplies that will be provided at book pick-ups
- IV. Dr. Camp (Before and Aftercare)
 - a. Big thank you to the HSA for supporting the program with the purchase of Before & Aftercare's wish list which included television sets, balls, puzzles, crayons, and jump ropes that are needed for the multiple pods of students due to social distancing.
 - b. Enrichment activities and clubs will continue when school returns in-person.
- V. Omar Wilkins, HSA President
 - a. Introduction of HSA Board
 - i. Omar Wilkins- President
 - ii. Torine Creppy- Vice President
 - iii. Lois Chattman- Treasurer
 - iv. Lauren Williams- Recording Secretary
 - v. TaNay Powell- Corresponding Secretary
 - vi. Ngima Senior- Sergeant at Arms #1
 - vii. Sabrina Cole- Sergeant at Arms #2
 - viii. VACANT- Hours Recorder
 - b. Old Business
 - i. K Claus scholarships were awarded to the following families for the 2019-2020 school year

1. The Rowles Family
2. The Senior Family
3. The Wilkins Family
- ii. Fun Run decision has been tabled until January 2021
 1. A virtual format is currently being explored
 2. If the decision is made to proceed, there will be a 90/10 split with Boosterthon for profits. (90% to SMA and 10% to Boosterthon)
 3. Last year almost \$50,000 was raised but we only collected \$22,000
- c. New Business
 - i. Torine Creppy, Vice President
 1. New Family Mentor Program
 - a. New SMA families will be paired within the next 2 weeks with families that volunteered
 - b. You can still email her if you are interested
 - ii. Lois Chapman, Treasurer
 1. Recap of last year's fundraising
 - a. Made a profit of \$34,000
 - b. Top 3 fundraisers
 - i. Boosterthon
 - ii. Craft Fair
 - iii. Double Good
 2. Amazon Smile
 - a. Smile.amazon.com
 - b. Can be added through the Amazon mobile APP only if you enable notifications
 - c. Register and pick charity
 - i. Must spell out Saint Mary of the Assumption
 - ii. A step by step process will be sent in the Monday Memo by Principal Lewis
 3. Box Tops
 - a. Did not perform well last year
 - b. Submissions are now done virtually
 - iii. Sabrina Cole, Sergeant in Arms #2
 1. Upcoming Fundraisers
 - a. Chipotle Night at Watkins Park location on 11/4/2020 from 4-8 pm
 - i. A digital code will be provided to use when ordering
 - ii. Can order online or on APP but must pick up in store

- b. Double Good
 - i. 12/1-12/5/2020
 - ii. A digital code will be provided
 - iii. Products will come straight to you this year due to COVID-19
 - iv. Omar Wilkins, President
 - 1. Upcoming Events
 - a. Trunk or Treat 10/30/2020 from 6-7 pm
 - i. 30 cars
 - ii. Pre-packaged candy bags will be provided by the HSA
 - b. Movie Night immediately following Trunk or Treat from 7:30-9:30 pm
 - i. 25 cars, limited space, first come first serve via SignUp Genius
 - ii. Movie undecided, still awaiting approval from ADW for event
 - iii. Social distancing practices and gloves, masks will be worn by all volunteers
 - iv. Will not be charging a fee for movie nights
 - 1. No movie license purchasing is needed when it's a free event
 - c. November
 - i. Food Drive
 - 1. More information to come
 - 2. Focusing on helping families in need during these difficult times
 - d. December
 - i. There will be NO CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR
 - 1. A future social gathering will be proposed for the upcoming Holiday Season
 - 2. Newsletter
 - a. A newsletter is currently being designed for the HSA as a means of being able to communicate information more effectively with parents
 - 3. Scholarship requirements
 - a. Attendance will still be taken (all meetings must be attended except for 1 excused absence)
 - b. 10 service hours will be required to be eligible for the scholarship drawing in the Spring (cut from 20)

- c. A total of 3, \$2000 scholarships will still be awarded to eligible SMA families (totaling \$6,000)
 - d. Continuing to adhere to current HSA by-laws as much as possible
- 4. There will be no HSA meetings in December 2020 and April 2021
- 5. The November meeting has been moved to the 1st Wednesday of the month (November 4, 2020 at 7 pm) due to the Veteran's Day holiday.
 - a. This is also Chipotle night. If you attend the virtual HSA meeting and can show your Chipotle purchase made at the Watkins Park location using the digital code provided for our school fundraiser, you will be awarded 1 service hour
- 6. Uniform store is still open
 - a. Please text Mr. Senior with requests at # 301-659-3134
 - b. Gently used or brand-new clothes can be exchanged or purchased for \$5 per item
- v. Q & A session
 - 1. Mrs. Ruckstuhl, Vice Principal introduced
 - a. Offered her assistance for anyone needing help
 - 2. Regarding recording service hours
 - a. Track It Forward was not renewed this year
 - b. Another platform is needed, Mrs. Abby Greer offered to assist with creating
 - 3. The request to receive 1 service hour for attending all future HSA meetings was tabled until the next meeting
 - 4. Mrs. Lewis will provide an update regarding parents being able to assist in school with any projects that need to be completed
 - 5. 1 service hour is being awarded for all attendees for today's meeting (10/14/2020)
 - 6. A suggestion for a virtual Pizza Bingo was mentioned- will discuss further
 - 7. November 1st, 2020 Immunization records are due
 - a. Can be uploaded in TADS or delivered to the office, attention Mrs. Meyer
 - 8. Thank you all for being a part of our Team- we are all in this together. Please don't hesitate to reach us if you have any questions or concerns.
- vi. Father LaHood- Closing Prayer
- vii. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm