

**2021-2022 St. Margaret Mary School PTO
Meeting Minutes – February 8, 2022 7:00 pm**

- I. Opening Prayer
- II. Principal Update – Mrs. Pronio
 - a. Dress down day for meeting participants will be Wed. Feb. 9.
 - b. Thank you for recess duty volunteers.
- III. General Updates
 - a. Catholic Schools week recap:
 - i. Ned Show: The Ned show was a hit, and so were the yo-yos.
 - ii. Book Fair: We completed the book fair; thank you to volunteers who helped students shop and check out. The book fair brought in a little bit less than other years and the fall, but we did earn over \$1,000 of rewards for the school.
 - iii. Student Appreciation Lunch: The PTO paid for the student appreciation lunch.
 - iv. Teacher Appreciation: The PTO provided \$50 Teachers Pay Teachers gift cards to all staff and \$50 Amazon gift cards to staff.
 - b. Field trips: Mrs. Pronio hasn't advised on field trips yet but has been sending ideas for virtual field trips.
 - c. Communication concern update: Mrs. Sanders shared the parent concern raised in the January PTO meeting about school communication to parents. The School Board was appreciative that the concern was shared. While the older students use Rediker, they didn't realize that communication was more piecemeal for younger students. Mrs. Pronio will review options and confirmed that Rediker is the place for all school communications.
- IV. PTO Committee Reports
 - a. President:
 - i. Grandparents Day: Dana Dwyer and a committee stepped forward from our January PTO meeting. The committee has a few ideas but are waiting on a date and decision from Mrs. Pronio to determine if the event will be virtual or in person.
 - b. Vice President:
 - i. 8th grade signs for graduation: The PTO pays for yard signs for all graduation 8th graders. Mrs. Sprow has volunteers to distribute them, but wanted to confirm who and how they should be ordered. Mrs. Sanders will contact the 8th grade teachers.
 - c. Treasurer: Leah Booker reviewed items paid for in the last month. The PTO is in good financial standing.
 - d. Secretary: Meeting minutes from January will be available on PTO page of the school website, along with minutes from meetings this school year. Updates to the school website are made by Mrs. Ciccocioppi. She used to be the STMMS technology teacher and is the school webmaster.
 - e. Hot Lunch – no updates

- f. Uniform Exchange: Shannon Williard and Amanda Barnes have been talking about dates for spring uniform exchange. The exchange will be in late March or early April. There are plenty of uniforms and there is no cost for families to receive items.
 - g. Social: Dana Dwyer explored Avalanche X as possible place for group activity, but it is \$45 per person and need guaranteed number to reserve, so not sure that would be a good fit for us. Considering skating party at Twin Ponds but haven't heard back from them yet. The PTO will have an egg hunt in April.
 - h. Santa Shop: No updates today.
 - i. Spring Festival: A committee has been identified, but they have not done any planning yet. Approaches for selecting dates were reviewed and tabled.
 - j. Fundraising: Butter Braids is our next fundraiser and will be begin March 14. Orders will be due April 1, and delivery will be on Tuesday April 12. Other dine and discount dinners were considered, but restaurants aren't willing to do it because they're all short staffed.
 - k. Outreach: The School Board is taking care of flyers for daycares to advertise our Kindergarten program.
 - l. SCRIP: No updates today.
- II. Other Updates:
 - a. NHD: The PTO sponsors registrations for regional contest, which is due Feb. 23.
- III. Parent Questions and/or Concerns
 - I. Closing Prayer

Next Meeting: Thursday March 10, 2022 at 7:00 pm