H.S.A. Meeting Minutes

Sept. 9, 2015

Call to Order C. Pla

Opening Prayer Fr. Lahood

President's Welcome Carlos Pla

Approve May Minutes

Principal's Report

Mr. Showalter

Foreign Language Program has been extended to add 6th grade.

STEM program expanded with 8th grade robotics class

School day now ends at 3 p.m. instead of 2:45 p.m.

TV studio for announcements is almost complete.

Please review Child Protection Policy.

Cell phones – we prefer children do not bring phones to school. Or at least don't buy phones with cameras. Cell phones must go to main office. It's just a recipe for bad things. Inappropriate photos often result.

Crossing guard – Defunded by county. We need parents to start a petition or who have special access to county officials.

New Business Carlos Pla

H.S.A. Board and teacher Introductions

Specials

<u>Computer class</u> – Mrs. Pla has Lego robotic kits for the kids and they are very excited.

<u>Physical Education (P.E.)</u> – Ms. Pla instituted the presidential fitness program. We will also do team sports, etc.

<u>Extended Childcare Program</u> – Dr. Camp invites parents to try out the program. This Friday they are having Bingo. Clubs include, tennis, cooking, etc.

<u>Library</u> – Sister Joyce runs the AR (accelerated Reader program). Read to succeed.

Service hours C. Pla

Be accountable for your own service hours. Contact the chairperson or hours recorder, Sue Ervin, if you notice a problem.

For example, working as crossing guard can count as service hours.

Recess/Lunch Duty

K. Cox

Instead of parents going outside, be willing to do lunch or recess duty.

Primarily you will do lunch duty but need to be flexible to go outside.

Fall Carnival -- October 24. Kim Cox is chairperson. Contact her to volunteer

Scrip C. Neely-Eckert

World Finest Chocolate

L. Woltman

Goal is 24,000 chocolate bars. Profits used for books and technology for school.

Run for Vocations team – Parish team that runs at Marine Corps Marathon. If you are interested is joining the team, contact Kelly Sandacz at ksandacz@mwe.com

Cornerstone – find grades and assignments for your child. If you do not have a login, contact Tamera Campbell at tcampbell@stmaryum.org

PG County Schools – Follow PG county for weather closings.

School Batch – Weekly newsletter emailed to parents. If you aren't receiving it, contact Tamera Campbell at tcampbell@stmaryum.org

School Advisory Board

C. Hernandez

Focus on Faith, Academics and Discipline

Questions & Answers

50/50 scrip drawing

Banner Count

7:30 – 1st bell to transfer to classes
7:35 – 1st class briefing
7:50 – 2nd bell to transfer to classes
7:55 – 2nd class briefing/info fair
8:00 – 3rd bell to transfer to classes
8:15 – 3rd class briefing/info fair

8:30 - end of back to school night

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