

Lourdes Home & School Meeting Minutes - October
(10/7/24)

Location: Cafeteria

Attendees:

2024/2025 Home & School Board		Teachers/Staff	
President: Julie Rosales	x	Katie Selden	x
President - Elect: Andrea Reilly	x	Danielle Behnke	x
Ex-Officio: Melissa Nelson			
Secretary: Stephanie Larson	x		
Treasurer: Marie Morlok	x		
Treasurer - Elect: Eric Norberg			
Room Parent Coordinator: Cassandra Berneking	x		
Newsletter: Alison Meier			
Volunteer Co-Chairs: Kristina Katherman		Community/Committee Chairs	
Volunteer Co-Chairs: TBD/OPEN POSITION		Ada Zepeda	x
Hospitality Coordinators: Ashley Ramos	x		
Hospitality Coordinators: Erin Crigger	x		
Hospitality Coordinators: Mercedes Nelson			
Hospitality Coordinators: Melissa Zumdom			
Hospitality Coordinators: Emily Bintz	x		
Hospitality Coordinators: Chloe Castle			
New Family Ambassadors: Bronya Conner	x		
New Family Ambassadors: Becky Burke	x		
New Family Ambassadors: Conor Flaherty	x		
Starry Night: Jen Foley			
Starry Night Elect: Betsy Flaherty			

Meeting called to order: 6:03 pm

[October 2024 Agenda](#)

Approval for the October meeting minutes can be found [here!](#)

1. Opening Prayer and Welcome. Discussion about the agenda and fundraising event topics to be discussed towards the end of the meeting.
2. Committee Reports

New Family Ambassadors

- Lunch on the lawn last Friday approx. 25 families in attendance. There was an unplanned overlap with the Book Fair which was great for families and for fundraising for the Book Fair, we'll need to remember to try to do this next year.
- Some of the discussion at lunch on the lawn included an explanation and an invite to join us for Starry Nights.

Hospitality

- Teacher Treats were a hit, cookies and dreams 72 ordered and 18 left.
- Upcoming: Meals and Snacks for Conferences
- Donuts with Dad Friday November 8th, Fareway is the selected vendor.

Newsletter

- Keep funneling information, our newsletters are looking great!
- Upcoming School Newsletter deadline is 10/31 for submittals and distribution will be 11/4.
- Congratulations Meier Family!

Room Parents

- 1 room parent stepped down from their commitment. All room parents were reached out to this month and have re-confirmed the rest will still be room parents.
- Halloween Parade 2pm and Parent Social to follow for those not signed up as Classroom Halloween Party Helpers.
 - *Parent social was an idea to allow parents to participate more in the halloween festivities and keep the classrooms from over-crowding especially with increased enrollment this year.
 - *Sign Up Genius to be sent out for donations while parents socialize (snack ideas including coffee, apple cider, apple and pumpkin flavored snacks).
- Halloween party sign up genius for each classroom, room parent to discuss the teacher's wishes on activities and number of helpers welcomed in the classrooms.

Volunteer Coordinator

- Warm welcome to Kristina!
- We've started reaching out to those that signed up to be volunteers. Some are reassessing where and how they want to volunteer, still need more volunteer help!

Treasurer Report

- Spirit wear sales are coming in strong.
- Teacher Allotments are not in yet.
- Back to school picnic... are we waiting for more to come in, currently looks like \$400 compared to \$900 LY?

- Scrip... \$6300 Last year, keep pushing scrip and please participate in it for the holiday season!
- Looking good with where we're at so far still 👍

Starry Nights Fundraiser

- Saturday, March 1st, 2024
@ the Stardust - 218 Iowa St Davenport again.
- Jen and Betsey emails will now be changing from all of home and school to just those interested in participating.

3. School Report

Up and Coming

- No school 10/14
*Professional Learning / Letters training / Standards Program
- Trunk or Treat
- Conferences at the end of the month 10/22-10/24 Early release due to conferences
- 10/25 and 10/28 No school - Fall Break
- 10/29 new quarter begins
- Nut days scaled way back this year Halloween will be a NUT day!
- A lot of drills lately fire drill the other week, lock down, and up and coming tornado drill

Looking Ahead to SJA

- Lots of details for SJA to consider right now especially when you think of the individual rooms and spaces.

Teacher's Report

- Thank You for cookies and dreams everyone loved them!
- Thank You card read aloud, for scholastic dollars and allotment super sweet!

4. Upcoming Events

- Trunk or Treat - Middle School Fundraiser 10/18
- Donuts with Dad - 11/8
- Fall Trivia Night - 11/15

5. Discussion

- Trunk or Treat funds for Middle School fundraiser will funnel through one cause this year but will still go to middle school's trip to DC every other year.
- Fall Trivia will be planned by Jenny Levora-Cummins and will take place on Friday, November 15th. The invite through One Cause will be sent out soon, please book a table and bring friends and snacks there will be some sort of food like chic-fil-a or something you can order in advance.
*In an effort to become one on the path to SJA we plan to open an invitation to SJV preschool families and perhaps add it to the church bulletins.
- Bingo - we're strategizing with Chris because of an overlap with Boy Scouts, we're aiming for Catholic Schools week but we may need to consider a backup option because of Boy Scouts and CEW.

- School Directory will be digital this year and it's coming soon!
- Fundraising Kits - Moe's kits were successful, 44 families participated and we have plans for doing Cookies and Dreams again late fall.
- SJA Transition - Fee Change announcement, for questions, comments, concerns the meeting of the school board scheduled 10/8 in the Library 6pm.
- Fundraising Plans and Proposed Ideas
 - Existing
 - Raise Right
 - Box Tops
 - Trivia Night
 - Starry Night
 - New Ideas for fundraising this year
 - *Online Commemorative Bricks Fundraiser
 - *Online Thank You Cards - Thanksgiving to Early December "Celebrating our Last Year at Lourdes"
 - Online and Event Fundraiser coupled with Catholic Schools Week
 - *Microsites for students
 - *Kickoff event in the gym for additional support and excitement
 - Spring Food Truck and Bags Tournament
 - First Look Event in Summer before school begins - maybe a higher priced event cocktails and appetizers
 - Continued Commemorative Opportunities like names on bleacher seats and bricks in added areas.

6. Upcoming Meetings at 6pm

- Nov. 11
- Dec. 9
- Jan. 13
- Feb. 10
- Mar. 10
- Apr. 7
- May 12

Meeting ended at an unknown time, sorry I forgot to jot that down!

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Larson
Secretary