



**Home and School Association (HSA)
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, September 28, 2017**

Call to Order – Mrs. Laura Tregner

Welcome – Mrs. Laura Tregner

Opening Prayer – Father Joseph Romanoski

Father's Remarks – Father Joseph Romanoski

- New Sound System will be installed in the church and the parish hall during this school year
- Fence is just about finished, just waiting on the front gates
- Thank you for the contribution to the beautification project
- Growth is happening in the church and would love to continue the growth in the school
- Thank you to Kathleen Ferri for continuing to our school grow
- Please tell Father Joe or Mrs. Murphy about any issues or questions that you may have with the school
- \$250,000 parish is contributing to the school for this school year
- Tuition: \$7900 true cost per child this year
- Tuition next year will be the full true cost per child, no more parish rates
- Next year you will need to ask the church for financial assistance for the break

Opening Remarks – Mrs. Laura Tregner

The BSCS HSA mission is to support and promote Blessed Sacrament Catholic School and the value of a Catholic education as well as help strengthen the relationship between the School and parents. We aim to accomplish this by:

- Enhancing the School's activities and/or academics by raising funds to support those efforts
- Providing fellowship opportunities for BSCS families to engage with one another
- Providing and promoting a spirit of service through a variety of opportunities to be more involved in our School

Principal's Remarks – Mrs. Katharine Murphy

- Thank you for coming tonight. Thank you for sending your children to this school.
- New handbook will be distributed next week and placed on the website: Changes in bright yellow

- Academic sports probation has been added to the new handbook
- Field Trips-Parent drivers this year-Protocol to follow: parents will need to have car insurance, driver's license on file at the school, car insurance on file at the school and fill out a driver form to place on file at school
- 8th graders have Chromebooks this year
- We are a Google school
- 5, 6, 7th graders all have iPads. 6th-7th take them home and 5th leave them at school
- Working on a technology plan
- Mrs. Clarey, Mrs. Murphy, Lucas Crawford and Mr. White and Mrs. Dabney are the members of the technology committee
- Mrs. Williams emailed out that we are changing the lunch schedule for 1-8, lunch is flip flopping-big kids are going to get a snack in the morning
- Enrichment is coming along, bumps in the road, trying to find a band group to come in to teach band for 2nd Quarter
- RenWeb-grades and report cards will all be on RenWeb. No paper progress reports anymore
- Q1 ends on Oct 20, Q2 starts on Oct 23
- Thank you to Mrs. Clarey and Mrs. Bendt for everything that you do for this school and being the backbone in the office
- Thank you to the board last year for getting RenWeb for our school

Front Office Remarks – Mrs. Christy Clarey and Mrs. Sallie Bendt

- Student information sheets from beginning of the year is where they get the information for each student
- If you can't get logged in to RenWeb, the office does not have your information sheet
- They will also have driver information such as driver's licenses, license tags, carline number for each student
- Parents can make changes to the student information
- Tuition to make online payments will be through FACTS still even when RenWeb is fully operational
- Parent Teacher Conferences-Oct31
- If tuition is delinquent, you will not get your grades in RenWeb
- If you are not getting the Happenings or having trouble accessing RenWeb or the Parent Portal, please call the office or email SBendt@scbss.org
- Looking to change our website for next year to RenWeb and homework assignments may then be posted all in one place

Check Presentation to Teachers - Mrs. Lisa Layne

- Thank you to our teachers for all you do! We hope this gift will help defray some of the out-of-pocket expenses that you so generously cover during the school year.

Academic Support Remarks - Mrs. Katie Arthurs

- MAP testing: measures of academic progress
- MAP Testing is completed 3 times a year(Fall, Winter, and Spring)
- MAP Testing adjusts to the level of difficulty per student, READING, MATH and LANGUAGE
- Teachers can plan lessons around student's needs and weak areas
- Kids performing below 30% level, you can receive academic support

- We will be able to compare our class scores to other Catholic schools in our diocese
- MAP information can be loaded in RenWeb but that may take a bit of time
- Testing is done on the iPads, untimed, and results are immediate
- Email Katie Arthurs KArthurs@scbss.org if you have any questions

CAJM(Charleston Area Justice Ministry) -

CAJM Members

- CAJM was birthed in our parish 5 years ago
- House meeting in the next month (4 available in October)
- Then you would be invited to be a member
- 5 meetings per year commitment
- Worked with Charleston county schools
- Worked on wage discrimination
- Worked on racial discrimination and policing (N Chas and Charleston)
- House meetings: come together to talk about what are the issues that are important to us
- Charlestonareajusticeministry.com for more information

Stewardship and Admission Remarks -

Mrs. Kathleen Ferri

- Welcome the 51 new families this year!
- This is a family environment school
- Art Contest: Giant Christmas Card at James Island
 - “Let your heart be light” Theme
- There are two K3, two K4 and two K5 classes this year
- Thank you to all the Kindergarten teachers!
- Please check out our new Rosary Garden (Thank you Father Joe and Harper Kissell along with his dad)
- Spirit Night starting soon. Let Mrs. Ferri know if you have a favorite restaurant
- Please use Publix tags
- Relink your Harris Teeter cards with our school code: 3187
- New Student luncheon next month to welcome new students

School Advisory Council Remarks-

Everette Reynolds

- Introduction of 2017-2018 School Advisory Council Members:
 - Everette Reynolds, Katharine Murphy, Father Joe, Christine Davis, Laurie Holscher, Russell Campbell, Michelle Crull, Kathleen Ferri, Pietro Giardini, Teresa Dryden
- School Board is working on a 5-year strategic plan for the school along with the diocese

School Spotlight

Katie Arthurs

- New Reading program starting this year:
 - *Reaching All Readers* is a balanced reading intervention program designed to support struggling readers as they develop fluency and proficiency. This program:
 - Accelerates student learning.
 - Features a 30-minute daily lesson.
 - Provides effective reading strategies for before, during, and after reading.
 - Academic Support in Reading is provided for free to our BSCS students.
- New Reading program starting this year:

- *Vmath* Third Edition builds on the progression of state and national standards to reinforce the skills students need for grade-level success and to be prepared for college and career.
- *Vmath* gives special attention to whole numbers in grades 2–5 and rational numbers in grades 4–8.
- Lessons are 40-50 minutes, with implementation options for 20-30 minutes.

H.S.A. Report -

Mrs. Laura Tregner

- Our Fall Festival is back this year! It will be held in the parish hall and on the blacktop on Nov. 4 from 10am-1pm
 - HSA sign up on the website
 - Appropriate Halloween costumes
- Volunteer of the Year Award for 2016-2017: Melanie Hardy and Gigi Rollins
 - Thank you to Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. Rollins for all their hard work and dedication to our school!
- KISS box located at the front of the Parish Hall before every HSA Meeting: KISS (Kudos, Ideas, Suggestions, and Strategies) say something nice about the school or teacher to be read at next HSA meeting
- Belk Charity coupon will be available for purchase soon: \$5 coupon allows you to receive between 15%-75% off at Belk stores on Nov 4
- Please consider using smile.amazon.com when making Amazon purchases.
- Reptile Exploration company coming to school on Oct 17
- Winners of HSA Meeting attendance:
 - Lower School: 1D \$25 reward for a treat for the class
 - Upper School: 6R \$25 reward for a treat for the class

Remaining HSA Meeting Dates:

Nov. 14

Jan. 23

Mar. 27

HSA 2017-2018 Board

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