

**Minutes From
PTG General Meeting
May 15, 2018
6:30 p.m.
School Library**

1. Welcome and Opening Prayer

Marion Maentz, PTG Co-Coordinator, called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m. She welcomed the group to the meeting and led them in an opening prayer. In total, 15 people were in attendance. Light refreshments were available to show appreciation to the volunteers.

2. Principal's Report

Mr. Klase thanked the parents for volunteering and support of the school. He reported on the following items:

Service Projects: The PTG officers have met with the teachers to discuss a change in service projects for next year. While there will still be some school-wide service projects (such as Mooncrest and Soles for Souls), each teacher is to select a service project that he/she would like to have his/her students support next year. Teachers are to inform Mr. Klase by the end of the school year which project they are selecting.

STL 2020: We have accomplished everything in our 2020 strategic plan. A new 3-year plan is now being worked on with 5 areas of focus—academic excellence, Catholic identity, safety and security, fundraising and finance, and capital improvements.

Future Planning: Teachers have volunteered to be representatives to the PTG next year. A suggestion was made to not have the last PTG meeting of the year in May since a number of parents are not able to attend.

A to Z app: Since the directory is no longer printed, there are no longer 8th grade shout outs and the income they generated to cover the cost of the app. Shout outs are not going to be in the yearbook either. A new chair of the directory committee is still needed.

6. Recap of Events that Have Occurred Since Our Last Meeting

No reports were given.

7. Upcoming Events

First Communion Reception: The reception will be held on Friday, May 18 in LeGras after the 9:00 school Mass.

PJAS: The participating students will be competing this weekend.

Field Day: A suggestion has been made to have 8th graders help the younger students during Field Day. The students in some of the upper graders and their parents seem to have less interest in Field Day since the students are older and have participated numerous times.

Committee Chairs: A SignUp Genius is scheduled to be sent within the next week asking for volunteers to serve as committee chairs for next year's PTG committees. A PTG table will also be set up at the Choral Concert.

8. Newsletter

Michele Sites thanked everyone who had submitted articles this year especially teachers. Articles for the next newsletter are due on Friday, May 25. Numerous information has already been received. The newsletter will be distributed on May 30.

9. New Business

Supply Boxes: The details of each teacher's supply list are being finalized. Information on ordering will be distributed soon. Orders are due June 15. The boxes will be available for pick up during Packet Pick Up week in August.

Changes to PTG Board: Marion Maentz is completing her term as a co-coordinator. She was thanked for her service and given a gift of appreciation. Tiffany Elder was welcomed to the PTG Board as she will begin a term as one of the co-coordinators next year.

Preventing the Summer Slide: Mrs. Liebscher and several teachers shared information and tips regarding how to prevent the summer slide. They indicated that students can lose up to 2 months of their reading and math skills if they do not continue to practice these skills over the summer. It was suggested that students practice reading and math every day; turn off their electronic devices; play dice and card games; and write every day via journals, blogs and poetry.

RazKids (K-3rd grade) is available over the summer. Students may be able to record the AR number of the books read and take the AR test in the fall. Family engagement activities can be found by searching Google. The Prodigy math game, Overdrive app and Hoopla were recommended. A number of handouts were provided. Mrs. Liebscher is planning to provide all parents with a PowerPoint of tips.

10. Next Meeting

Dates for next year's PTG general meetings will be announced.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by Michele Sites, Secretary