

2021-2022 St. Margaret Mary School PTO Meeting Agenda - September 9, 2021

- I. Opening Prayer
- II. General Updates
 - a. Book fair (September 13-16): Book fair will be in person for students and online for parents. Students may use the eWallet or send cash into school. We get a higher percentage of the proceeds for in school shopping than online. Looking for volunteers to work the book fair on Monday from 8:55-11:15, Tuesday from 8:15- 1:50; and Wednesday from 8:55-11:15.
 - b. Boosterthon Fundraiser (September 21 – October 1): Boosterthon fundraiser. New event this year. Mrs. Fennessy's daughter's school did this in Maryland. Is a Just Dance fundraiser with sponsors. Will get a form to register your student which will include a virtual link to share with friends and family. The goal is to collect donations and offer incentives. If you register, we have a 50 state challenge. Everyone participates in the Just Dance competition on Friday October 1st. The PTO will be splitting the proceeds with the school. Erin Morrison and Dana Dwyer are helping on the day of the event.
 - c. Golf Tournament (October 15): Registration at 11:00 and tournament starts at noon. We currently have 12 foursomes registered, and around 12 hole sponsors. Please let Shannon Sprow know if you know of any businesses who would be willing to sponsor a hole. Have a good set of volunteers for the tournament.
- III. PTO Committee Reports
 - a. President
 - Mentor family program: Thank you for volunteering to be mentor families. Kelly Hill is coordinating this now. Kelly came up with STMMMS slang to share with families and will reach out to all new families together as well as to mentor families.
 - Pancake breakfasts: The first one is planned for Sunday Oct 3rd at the pavilion at church. Thanks to Kelly Fox, Jen Morris, and Nikki Alicea for leading. Mrs. Pronio assigned a class to help with so the volunteers are built in. The December breakfast will be a breakfast with Santa.
 - Outdoor movie nights: Meghan Harvey and Dana Dwyer did a fantastic job with these events over the summer. The next one will be Saturday September 18 to watch Beethoven. Will try to do one more in October before it gets to be too chilly.
 - Monte Carlo Night: This is an annual school fundraiser held at Bishop McDevitt High School annually in the fall. The committee decided to postpone the event and may consider planning the event for the spring.
 - Russell family: We sent flowers to the Russell family along with our sincere condolences for Mr. Russell's funeral.

- We are working to determine the level of fundraising needed to cover our PTO activities and our approach when we raise more than is needed. We are considering options School donations to fundraising above and beyond what we need to cover?
- b. Vice President:
- Current focus is on the Golf Tournament on October 15.
 - We have extra car magnets and face masks available for families to purchase. Magnets are \$5 and masks are \$8.
- c. Treasurer: Haven't done too much more yet. PTO paid for expenses related to back to school night and the ice cream socials.
- d. Secretary:
- School Directory: Thank you to everyone who provided their information to include in the directory. It is currently being printed and will be ready for pick up tomorrow or Monday. I will begin emailing PDF copies on Saturday, and will send printed copies home with your student next week. If you haven't placed an order yet – it's not too late. Use the link in Rediker.
- e. Hot Lunch: Back to hot lunch service. Hot lunch orders are taken the day of the lunch. Teachers take orders in the morning. Parents load accounts ahead of time. Service is offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday. There are some product shortages which are impacting the menu slightly on some days. Hot lunch service volunteers are needed.
- f. Uniform Exchange: There was a pretty good turnout at the uniform exchange this summer. Offered two weeks of options day and evening hours. This year will only be able to fill orders once a month, and will offer another uniform exchange in the spring. There are a lot of socks, shoes, and gym uniforms too. To request an item, complete the following Google form:
<https://forms.gle/rCpaYdg3fUupZVCw9>
- g. Social: The pool party was a success. Fall Festival will be on either the 23rd or the 30th. Hoping we can use the trailer again for the hayride from the Raub family. Hopefully, we can do the trunk or treat as well. PreK – 6th grades are welcome. Christmas Tree Lighting again this year. Maybe have the chorale from McD come and sing. The kids will decorate ornaments at school again.
- h. Santa Shop: Will be starting to shop again soon. The dates for the shop will be Dec 7-10. The set up on Sunday the 5th. Dina Duffy is her co-chair and this is her last year at STMMS. Will need someone to help with buying and set up. Please let Gina Crawford know if you're interested.
- i. Fundraising: Mums fundraiser happening now, Boosterthon is starting soon, and then the next fundraiser is the R&K subs. Starts Oct 1, orders due 18th, delivery on October 28th. Another R&K fundraiser is set up for December.

- j. Outreach: This PTO position is currently open. Colleen Sanders used to hold this position. The purpose is to get STMMS name out there; Colleen did social media marketing and paid advertisements as well as a newsletter last spring. Please contact Colleen Sanders if anyone is interested in this position.
 - k. SCRIP: Is an open and year-round fundraiser all year. Families purchase gift cards at face value and the school and family gets a rebate – half goes to the tuition account and the other half goes to the school. Find easiest option to use electronic gift cards and use your phone. Is also easy because they are instant. App is the Raise Right app. A lot of common restaurants. Some are offering really high rebates. Thank SCRIPPING days offered twice a year with even better rebates. To enroll, need to get the code for our school. Kristin will email new families with link. Enrolling is a two-step process. Orders are placed on Tuesday and are sent home with students on Friday.
- IV. Parent Questions and/or Concerns
- a. Will there be a basketball season this year? Yes – registrations can be sent home with Jane Shyk, 5-1.
- V. Closing Prayer

Next Meeting: Tuesday October 12th at 7:00 pm