

## **St Mary School HSA Meeting Minutes**

**December 2, 2022**

### ***HSA Board Attendees:***

Allison Carballo & Ann Russell, HSA Presidents  
Marcy Miller, HSA Vice President  
Kristy Pylypshyn, HSA Secretary  
Jillion Elliott, HSA K-8 Room Parent Coordinator  
Farah Fehring, Charitable Services Liaison  
Tricia Nelson van Brakel, HSA President Emeritus

### **Welcome:**

The meeting was opened with a prayer. Rachel Ambrosio and Amy Dowding were not present at the meeting due to their attendance at the NEASC Conference in Boston. Ann shared that Giving Tuesday was a success with 210 donors and a total of \$51,198 raised for the Saint Mary Fund.

### **HSA Updates:**

Ann and Farah reported that SMS collected 300lbs of candy during the Treats for Troops collection. 120lbs of candy were shipped to Treats for Troops. Due to high shipping costs, the remaining candy was dropped off to local charities for the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines, Disabled Veterans, and also Dorothy Day.

Farah reported that two deliveries of sandwiches have been made to Dorothy Day so far this school year. She is looking into additional service opportunities that will allow the 8<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in a more hands-on manner. Students also assist in decorating bags for Meals on Wheels and SMS dropped off 100 bags.

Andrea Wolf shared that the first Senior Luncheon of the school year was held in November with the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class participating. The 7<sup>th</sup> graders created beautiful centerpieces and helped to serve the seniors. The next luncheon will be December 20<sup>th</sup>, with help from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and will include a performance by the MacDonald-Pin Dancers. She welcomes additional volunteers to help with the function. Interested volunteers can contact Andrea at rowiewolf@yahoo.com.

Class Christmas parties will be held on Wednesday, 12/21. Be on the lookout for emails from class parents regarding ways to get involved.

Allison and Tricia reminded attendees that the Father Daughter Dance will be held on 1/27. Invitations will be going home with students today or early next week.

The Mother Son Event is still in the planning stages. Marcy Miller, Meghan Newman and Monica Massucci are leading this event and expect to have more details soon. The event is expected to take place in February or March.

Theater Week led by SMS Mom Mara Fleming will be held the week of March 6<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will be needed the week of March 6<sup>th</sup> as well as the week prior.

**The next HSA meeting will be held on January 6<sup>th</sup>.**