## Back To School Night/First HASA General Meeting 9/13/2018

Meeting began at approximately 6:05 pm

- Welcome and video: Mr. Pipkin, Principal, St Joseph School
  - Introduction of new teachers:
    - Ms. Parravano 1st grade
    - Ms. Muffoleto IA
    - Mrs. Thomas 2nd grade
    - Ms. Winner IA
    - Ms. O'Malley 6th grade
    - Mr. Croughn Math
    - Mrs. Ellis IA
    - Mrs. Corno Greeter/Advancement
    - Mr. Emminger custodian
  - Hot Topics:
    - Parent Breakfasts: make sure to attend for discussion of specifics for individual grade levels
    - Air Conditioning and Heating
      - Tough decision to close School for the first three days
      - Decision based upon the safety and security of the kids
      - Worked w/ Archdiocese on the decision
      - Archdiocese has reached out to BGE home
      - BGE home has been at School the past few days installing portable AC units but once plugged in the current electrical system cannot support it/fuses are constantly blowing
      - Electrician came out 9/12 to try to upgrade system slightly
      - This is short term fix so environment is comfortable so don't have to close building again
      - Bge supplied the labor; only paid for the units
      - St Joseph parishioner is going to help w/ electrician needs
      - Fans running and windows open
      - Someone from Archdiocese coming out for discussion and determination of long term plan
      - If any parents are interested in being on the Committee for the Capital Campaign to upgrade the system please contact the Office
    - Enrollment
      - Still have calls coming in for students trying to enroll for this year
      - Thus far we have 46 people applying to enroll for next year
    - Social media
      - If issues or concerns regarding the School or related to the School let us know
      - Come to Administration rather than posting

- Parking lot
  - Seeing improvement over last year with new dropoff time
  - Remember your parking lot etiquette/ manners and be kind
  - Drive slowly
  - Do not go out the back way
  - Do not park other places and walk
  - All children must be walked up to school
  - Park straight at pickup and park bumper to bumper
- Year of Service
  - October 1st the Year of Service will be introduced to the students
  - Design contest for the Year of Service was held across Archdiocese of Baltimore and was won by a St Joseph student
  - Year of Service is not about raising money but about teaching students about what service means
  - Students will be making things in the classrooms, researching service, doing things in the School (specifics will be released)
  - Will incorporate service to God, community and each other
- HASA Portion of Back to School Night
  - Welcome: Michelle Streckfus, HASA President
  - Introduction of the HASA Board
  - Financials: Kim Peck, Treasurer
    - Budgeted commitment fulfilled last year: \$50,000 commitment to School was fulfilled and funds donated from dedicated 80s Casino Night fundraiser to benefit technology needs
    - HASA funded new five touchscreens in the classrooms
    - Fully funded teacher wish list
    - Pre purchased items for 2018-2019 school year
  - Goals for this year: Michelle Streckfus
    - Meet or exceed budget
    - Student and Faculty appreciation
    - School support
    - Meet \$50K commitment
    - Host Dancing Through the Decades fundraiser to provide foundational funding for new Media Center
  - Brochures: Michelle Streckfus
    - HASA Brochure
      - Outlines fundraising for the School
      - Meet our commitment
      - Family fun activities
      - School support activities
      - Ongoing fundraising activities
        - Two fundraisers highlighted:

- Genevieves Fall Fundraiser: Gina Bollino
  - Ask for 100% participation and only one we ask for that
  - Turn in orders by 9/21
  - Student kickoff was today 9/13/18
- Dancing Through the Decades: 11/10/18
  - 1920s through 2020
  - Shrimp and Bull Roast
  - Catered by Conrads
  - \$50/ticket
  - 7 pm to 11 pm
  - Tickets already available
  - Flyer through weekly email
  - Looking for items for silent auction ; if know of anything or links to get things contact us
  - Chair: Michelle Medeiros Co-chair: Kim Peck
- Hot Lunch: Jenn Brown
  - Two programs:
    - Good Taste Catering
      - Mon Wed Fri
      - Orders have to be placed a week prior to the lunch date
    - HASA Hot Lunch
      - Email was sent out; online ordering only
      - Includes Chick Fil A, Hot Dog Day, McDonalds chicken day, Hamburger Day, Pizza Day, Subway (first date is 10/2: Chick Fil A)
      - All orders due by 9/24/18 NO EXCEPTIONS
- Shop with Scrip: Michelle Streckfus
  - Chairs: Sue Murray and Kelly Smith
  - School and families benefit
  - Can reduce tuition
  - Buy gift cards and use them to shop
  - Money goes back into family account towards tuition
  - All has to come through Presto Pay
  - Monday 9/17: all percentages go up for Thankscriping Day
- Wolfpack Rewards Brochure: outlines ongoing fundraising
- Communication: Read the Weekly Newsletter as fewer paper flyers etc coming home; combines School information with HASA information

Meeting adjourned approximately 6:45 pm for parent visitation with the teachers