

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC ACADEMY

PTG General Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2017

I. Welcome

- a) Mrs. Malins called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. and Mrs. Patiak led the group in a prayer.
- b) A Free Dress Day pass was explained and provided for students whose parents attended the meeting. It can be used up to March 31st, at which time it will expire.
- c) It has come to our attention that there are some of you that are not receiving our emails. We are checking into this to see if there are any problems with our server. In the meantime, make sure you check your junk mail box, as that is a common problem, but we will also have the school send out the reminder email that will be coming out about our next event, the used uniform sale.
- d) Just a reminder, tomorrow, the students are allowed to wear green shirts and socks for St. Patrick's Day, but they do still need to wear school uniform shorts and shoes.

II. Just Completed

- a) Treasurer's Report: We have \$5200.00 in the bank.
- b) The Krispy Kreme donut sales were fantastic! We sold over 400 dozen and made almost \$2500 in profits.

III. Current/Ongoing Events

- a) Performing Arts Bake Sale every Wednesday from 10:10 am-10:30 am (5th-8th Grade). Donations of goodies are accepted at the Main Office Wednesday mornings. Money is used to help support kids going to the Performing Arts & Sports Banquet.
- b) Box tops and other programs (Coke, Campbell's labels etc.) – please keep sending them in. Collection dates are monthly, usually the last Thursday of the month. Classes win prizes for the amount of box tops they collect.
- c) Thank you to everyone who has helped us with making candy leis with send home kits. Our stock of candy leis has been exhausted again, so if you would like to help replenish our supplies, we have 5 kits available to take home today.

IV. Upcoming Events

- a) We are hosting a used uniform sale on Thursday, March 30th from 2:30pm to 5:30pm and Friday March 31st from 7:30am to 8:30am. Although the old style shirts will not be used anymore next school year, there are many students who have grown out of what they currently have, so these will be on sale for \$1.00. We do have some of the new style shirts that have been donated already, and those will be sold for \$3.00 along with all of the khaki and PE shorts. Please take the time to go thru the uniforms you have at home and donate everything that does not fit your children anymore.
- b) Teacher Appreciation Week this year will be April 24-28th. If you are interested in knowing about our theme and plans, come see one of us after the meeting. We don't want to spoil the surprise for any teachers in attendance or those that read the meeting minutes. Please mark this in your calendar because we will need many volunteers to make the week special for our teachers. The thing we need the most help with is covering the morning and lunch recess duty for all of the teachers. This is what they love the most! We will also need help distributing treats on Monday and Tuesday mornings. We will also be asking for help decorating the teachers' doors on Sunday April 23rd. Be on the look out for the SignUp.com emails. We will also be sending out a letter a couple of weeks before so that any parents that want to help but cannot be here in person that week can make a donation to go toward helping to pay for everything we do that week.
- c) PTG will not be doing Spring Grams this year, but the Student Council will be taking over the sale this year.
- d) Anyone that is interested in being a part of the PTG committee next year, please come and talk with us. You could even shadow us as we work on things this last quarter of school to know more about what to expect for next year.
- e) Question from Mrs. Hughes to parents: Is the school Facebook page as a source of information good enough, or does anyone feel we should add Instagram? Answer was most people are on Facebook, not as many on Instagram. Mrs. Hughes also gave a reminder to parents about photo

release. If you do not sign and turn in this paper at the beginning of the school year, we cannot put any photos of your child on anything, and we have to take them out of group shots at events during the year.

V. Principal Report

A. Mrs. Malins

- a) Thank you in advance for all of your help and efforts for Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week. We really do appreciate and look forward to that week every year!
- b) Enrollment and re-enrollment continues. Everything is online this year, including all payments, and the deadline is tomorrow if you know you are returning for sure. It is vital that we know how many students are coming back so that we know how many spots are available for the new applicants and for staffing purposes. We also know that many military families are waiting to hear about potential orders and moves, so if you are in that situation, please let us know so we can keep a spot available for your student without you having to pay on TADS.
- c) Spring Break is next week, and grades are due from teachers soon, but the grade cards will not be coming out until after break.
- d) Our Sacramental Preparation is in full swing. The academy students along with the parish students had a retreat last Friday. First Reconciliation is coming up this Saturday, and then First Communion will be April 30th.
- e) We have our Spelling Bee coming up in April. The state no longer hosts a statewide bee because they cannot get a sponsor, but we will continue to have it at the school level with a cash award for the winner. The winner just will not be able to go on to the next level anymore. Our Geography Bee winner, Riley Tasaka, will be competing at the state level competition at the end of the month.
- f) Speaking of bees, yesterday in the car line, we noticed several bees around the wooden pallets by the fence. We called Mr. Ken the bee guy right away and he came out to remove them. He successfully relocated them, as it is illegal to kill bees in Hawaii.
- g) The Optimist Club had a bake sale yesterday, and they raised over \$200.00.
- h) We have a student doing an Eagle Project soon. Josh Livergood is planning and coordinating a week long collection of small plastic toys, new or used, for ages 3 and up and shoe boxes. He is planning to make distraction boxes for children undergoing treatment at Tripler Hospital. Flyers will be coming out about it soon.

B. Mrs. Patiak (Director of Early Learning Center (ELC))

- a) Our deadline for re-enrollment is also tomorrow.
- b) We will be having 48 students graduating this year.
- c) We are offering spring intersession care next week.
- d) We had a field trip this past Monday to Dole Plantation.
- e) We will be celebrating the Week of the Young Child April 24-28, which is the same week as Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week.
- f) On April 28th at 10:00 am, we will be having our Multicultural Aloha Day Performance, and then we will have a picnic lunch after with our families.

VI. Reminders:

- a. Dates to remember:
 - March 20 - 24 Spring Break
 - March 27th No school, Prince Kuhio Day
 - April 13th No school, Holy Thursday
 - April 14th No school, Good Friday
 - April 17th No school, Easter Monday

VII. Point of Contact (email with any questions)

- a) email PTG at ptg@hfcawahawaii.org
- b) Facebook: Holy Family Catholic Academy & Early Learning Center

VIII. Next PTG Meeting: April 20th, 2017 (8:00am and 5:00pm)

(Held in the conference room behind the cafeteria.)

Meeting end time: 8:35 am

Mahalo for your support!