

FA Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2016

Ms. Annunziata welcomed us all back to OLQP.

Father Pancrose Kalist opened with a prayer.

Ms. Annunziata thanked the wonderful staff for all their hard work.

She went on to speak about all the improvements that happened over the summer: school cleaned from top to bottom, floors striped and waxed, 7 classrooms were painted. 6 bathrooms were completely painted. A PA system was added to the gym and lunch room, also the internet was updated.

Projectors were needed to replace the seven ones on carts. Private donations made it possible to purchase 4 new projectors, and another donor made it possible for one more. That one will be mounted on 9/28/16 when school is closed. The installation was done by Tom our retired custodian and Dennis, which saved us money also. Looking for donations for the others. Each projector is \$1,500.00.

The website problems with Iphone, Ipad issues are resolved.

Ms. Annunziata went on to explain that over the summer she hired a new art teacher, who then the day before school quit. She has hired two art teachers. If your child has art on Thursday's their teacher is Ms. Petangelo, on Monday's their teacher is Ms. Garland.

The Archdiocese has put new report cards into place for this year. They are standard based. Students will still receive a percentage grade as well as a 1, 2, 3 or 4 next to the standard. As said in the video from the Archdiocese parents should not expect to see 4's under the standards. A 4 would reflect above standard.

1 - Below standards

2 – Approaching standards

3 – Meeting standards

4 – Above the standards

Directions to view the parent resources and the video will be online at www.olqpsi.com with the link.

Ms. Annunziata then went over the results from the Regents tests that the graduating class took in June.

Algebra 29 students took the test - 28 passed

Living Science – 55 students took the test - 55 passed.

State Test: Catholic Schools outperformed Public Schools. OLQP has shown much growth with the 3 & 4's.

Thank you to all the teachers and to the parents.

Father Pancrose then spoke to us about how grateful he is for all of us. He is glad to see the children returning back to school and church. He asked to the parents to always remember to speak well of the school and the parish. We are the ambassadors. The summer renovations are under way, 4 new classrooms, a teachers lounge, and 3 offices. Also the new elevator for that building, along with a fire alarm and sprinkler system. June of 2017 hopefully all the work will be complete. The Archdiocese is putting out a new campaign, that would help with the renovation costs. Students will be going to Reconciliation so that they will be prepared for the school Mass on Friday, Sept. 23rd.

Linda Sciortino our FA President welcomed all new and returning families back. She thanked Ms. Annunziata, and all the volunteers. She stated nothing would be possible without the parent volunteers. The volunteers are the ones who make all our events successful.

She then went over the events that are coming up.

Saturday, September 24, 2016 - Fun Run at the boardwalk (near the dolphins)

Saturday October 1, 2016 - Fall Festival and Peddlers Village at the Gym

October 12 to October 21, 2016 – Clothing Drive

Friday, October 21, 2016 – Bingo Night

Monday, October 31, 2016 – Trunk and Treat

Friday and Saturday, November 18 & 19, 2016 – Christmas Fair

She also talked about the ongoing fundraisers that are very important: Box tops, Stop and Shop cards (they have to renewed), Shoparoo – which is in the 2014 – 2015 school year we raised \$1,204.00 2015-2016 school year we only raised half.

Michelle Harrison then spoke about the Supermarket Gift Card fundraiser. The flyer can be found on the OLQP website under the flyers tab. Last year we raised over \$5,000.00 with only 5% of families participating.

Linda then welcomed Michael Di Leo the new President of the Holy Name Society/Father's Club. He invited all fathers to come to the next meeting on Monday, September 26, 2016 at 8:00pm. He also reminded everyone that The Night at the Races is on November 5, 2016.

Linda then invited Anna Cuccero, one of the co-chairs of the Mother – Son Event up to speak. Mrs. Cuccero talked about what a great event it is, but she needs help. If you are a Mom of a girl if you could please donate your time and help for what is always a successful event. She needs all the help she can get.

Class Representatives were picked and will be posted on the website.

Susan Stumpf won the tuition raffle.