

# St. Augustine PTO Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2025 8:00-9:00am

St. Augustine Cathedral School, in partnership with parents and the Catholic Church, welcomes and shapes young people as they grow in **faith, knowledge** and **stewardship**

Attendees: Carrie Morrow, Rebecca Thoreson-Bhatt, Vanessa Po, Felicia Winarta, Liz Peot, Lacey Mead, Embarina Betzle, Andra Zommers

- Welcome & Introductions
- Prayer and reading of mission statement
- Blue Moon updates
  - Next dropoff 1/25
- Review of past events:
  - Angel Tree (Liz Peot and Embarina)
    - Originally only 10 families, gifts to parents
    - Now we have 21 families. It grows every year.
    - Ideas to reduce “burden” on school community:
      - Voucher for book fair, reduce gifts to 2
      - Cross check our list to Melissa at CSGK
    - Andra will double check the list, and will decide earlier this year.
  - Teacher Christmas Funds
    - \$9,813.06 received, \$1,921.24 supplemented  
*\$7,345, \$3,755 supplemented in 2023*
- Upcoming Events
  - Daddy Daughter Dance: February 15 (Embarina Betzle, Lacey Mead, invite Sarah Morgan?)
    - Deposits made to DJ and Photo booth (~\$850?)
    - Theme: Wild Wild West
      - Dress suggestions: plaid shirts, jeans, cowboy hats, boots

- Food ideas
  - Signup genius (Embarina)
    - Pulled Pork sliders, corn bread, corn dip, chili
- Activities ideas:
  - Older student to take pics with backdrop, Andra to contact Hackett
  - Ask 8th grade girls to talk about dance etiquette to younger kids
  - Line dance, balloons, roping the “cow”
  - Horseshoe throw/ring toss, cornhole
  - Scavenger hunt
- Marketing: ask Sarah Morgan for invitation
- Ask Rachel to distribute vouchers to free/reduced lunch families
- Will need help on D-Day to set up, take down decors, and make sure the kids stay inside the gym
  - Hoping Friday will be open so we can set up early
- Cost (\$600 budget): keep at \$20 per family?
  - 67 paid (\$1,340), 176 attending in 2023
- Mother-Son Night (Amy McNamara): Nerf Battle/Gym, Friday, March 7, Door open 5:30, activities start at 6. 6-8?
  - Ethan Herpst helping coordinate: compensation?
    - Will bring equipment (nerf guns, etc)
  - The Point Community Center (Matt): obstacle course, inflatables, etc.
  - Activities/dinner thoughts
    - Eye protection, darts, spare Nerf
    - Pizza, juice boxes, chip, veggie trays,
    - Ask older student to take pictures
  - Cost (\$100 budget):
    - \$40/hour center rental
    - 97 total participants last year (11 vouchers)
    - Charge \$10-15/family

■ Ask Sarah Morgan for Marketing

- Membership & Passing the baton
  - Email out, needing replacement for e-board
- Review Meeting Dates/Locations
  - Next meeting: Wednesday, February 12
- Adjourn

Date	PTO 2024-2025 Events
01/08	PTO Meeting - Winter Activities planning
02/12 8-9a	PTO Meeting - Blue Moon/Spring activities planning
02/15	Daddy Daughter Dance
03/07	Mother Son Night
03/12	PTO Meeting - Spring Activities planning
03/13-15	Blue Moon sale - PTO's only fundraiser of the year!
04/ 09	PTO Meeting - Wrap up/Plan for next year
05/05-05/09	Teacher Appreciation Week
05/14	PTO Meeting-End of Year Activities
05/30 <i>(tentative)</i>	<i>Field Day - volunteers help with activities</i>
06/05 3:00-4:00	Last Blast - last day of school party after dismissal