

## WolfPack Weekly Updates

5/23 - 5/27



5/23~ Pool Party form.

5/24 ~ May Crowning 1pm

5/25~ \$2 Dress Down

5/26 ~

5/27 ~Get your Sun-Sational tickets.

**We are off school Monday May 30, 2022**

**Water Donations** ~ Now that the weather is warm, **we are in need of bottled water for the office to give to students.** If you can donate, please leave the case of water in the school lobby. We greatly appreciate all you do for the school and students.

**PTG Minutes** ~ Enclosed in the yellow folders this week are the minutes from the first Mother of Mercy of Academy PTG Open General Meeting. Please read them over and consider joining the team!! Please fill out the google form if joining our team.

<https://forms.gle/WbjHcAmraCE7Bz99>

**Sun-Sational Ticket** – A lot of tickets are still left. **WE NEED YOUR HELP SELLING TICKETS.** If you know a business willing to keep them at their counter, please reach out to Amber Ingold at [ingold@motherofmercyacademy.org](mailto:ingold@motherofmercyacademy.org) . We are also allowing for bulk orders to be taken out for several days at a time. If you would like to take them to church, baseball games, camps, or family events let us know. **Tickets are \$10 each with two numbers on a ticket plus 13 chances at winning on June 21, 2022.** Families can earn up to a \$7 credit for each ticket sold. You can use the google form to order your tickets. Payment should be sent to the school office.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdAQXTcppeli-uKcp18XcGIL21C5mbhNq5O6ZvT-HWoER3draA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdAQXTcppeli-uKcp18XcGIL21C5mbhNq5O6ZvT-HWoER3draA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**Pool Party** ~ We are hosting a last day of school **POOL PARTY on June 8, 2022** at Scott Township Pool from **12pm to 3pm.** Parents may take children home directly after 10 am mass. Please be sure to fill out the form and send payment in. Reservations are due May 31, 2022 to

the office. **Cost is \$10 per FAMILY.** This is not a drop off event, **children must be accompanied by an adult.** Families may bring in their own snacks and drinks, no glass containers or alcohol are permitted. Please remember to pack your own towels. The PTG will provide light refreshments and snacks at the pool. Please remember to clean up after yourself.

**May Crowning** ~ Is Tuesday May 24, 2022 at 1pm.

**Spirit Wear** ~ Keep your receipt if you purchase anything and turn a copy in to the office. **For EACH item purchased you will receive a \$5.00 fundraising credit.** The credit is \$5.00 per item regardless of the cost of the item (that is the policy from Bee-Graphix, they give \$5.00 back per item).

Here is the link to the sale: <https://stores.inksoft.com/motherofmercy>

# Mother of Mercy PTG General Member Meeting

Thursday, May 12, 2022

## *“Many Hands Make for Light Work”*

Thanks to everyone for coming and thanks to board for making sure that the year went well. Thanks to the parents for coming today; your interest is key!

**Opening Prayer -Mr. Militzer**

**Introduction of the 2022-2023 School Year PTG Executive Board**  
(Executive Board Voted on by 2021-2022 School Year PTG Members)

**Co-Presidents -Amber Ingold and Amanda Meaner**  
**Vice President – Emily Novak**  
**Treasurer – Melissa Hodgkinson**  
**Secretary - Kim Brennan**

**Teacher Representative - Mrs. Mary Beth Baumgardner**

### **Current General Members**

Koral Agliori, Shannon Dears, Deborah Fate, Justine Fritz, Emily Schmitt, Eric Zuhl

We need to have general members to help us plan events and fundraisers for next year. We have received some questions related to why there are so many fundraisers and why are there competing fundraisers. We plan to lay out a calendar soon for all the fundraisers and events for next year.

Regarding the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class for next year, Mr Miltizer is looking to survey the parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders to see what interest is for an 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip. We can do Gettysburg, but possibly do another 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be fundraising for that trip.

There will be at least 3 general PTG meetings for the 2022/2023 school year– night  
TBD:

1. right before school starts or the first week of school
2. Nov/Dec
3. March

There may be a 4<sup>th</sup> meeting added, if desired or needed.

We need to plan a calendar for 2022/2023 ASAP in the next few weeks as it is hard to get spaces for events, so we want to lock it in to dates

PTG executive meetings are monthly – only for executive board will attend unless you are called upon to attend due to having an event coming up.

Scrip coordinator and grant writing will fall under the school next year. That is more of a confidential position due to the tuition aspect and needs to be handled by the office.

Each family is responsible for reaching their fundraising goal. The fundraising goal is part of the school's operating budget. If we don't meet that goal, it negatively affects the school. Letters will be sent home within the next few weeks to inform families of where they are regarding fundraising and informing them of upcoming events that they can fundraise.

### **General Membership Rules**

- \$10 Membership Fee (paid by September 30, 2022)
  - Minimum 10 School Volunteer hours
  - Voting and election rights for Executive Board and Committees
  - Strict adherence to the Mother of Mercy Academy Bylaws
- ~A Copy of the Bylaws will be sent out to all PTG Members

We have been working to create an organizational structure with defined roles and responsibilities for each position. We have also created PTG bylaws. General members will have voting rights for next year and will have the chance to run for offices for the following school year. Board dues will be \$20; general member dues will be \$10. Next year there will be no activities dues. We had very low participation in activities dues (30% participation). No activities dues may result in the cost of field trips being a little bit higher.

PTG dues collected for next year will be used to provide funding for Catholic Schools Week – possibly an assembly or something else fun. Members will need to pay the dues and will need to volunteer a minimum of 10 hours/year to be considered a member in good standing.

### **Committee Positions**

- To be filled by General Members and voted on by current PTG Members
- ~Committee positions will be communicated at a later time

If anyone is interested in any of these rolls in the attached PTG Coordinator file and/or participating in committees, please let us know tonight or email the PTG email by **Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**. The new PTG email will be [MMAPTG@motherofmercyacademy.org](mailto:MMAPTG@motherofmercyacademy.org). We had several people interested in filling some of the positions. The PTG board will vote in June on who will be installed into these chair positions.

Please note that for most of the positions, the lead person will not be wholly responsible for the tasks. The chair will lead a team of members who will share responsibility. The list of positions is:

- Volunteer Coordinator
- New Families Coordinator
- Fundraising Coordinator
- Sponsorship Coordinator
- Membership Coordinator
- Parish Outreach Coordinator
- Service Coordinator
- School Wide Events Chair
- Grade Ambassadors Chair
- Giveback Nights Chair
- Donation Coordinator
- Uniform Closet Coordinator

As we navigate through this new reporting structure, we may see the need to add additional chair/coordinator positions.

### **Submitted Questions and Questions Received During the Meeting**

1. Are the coordinators required to come to the executive board meeting? Some are (they are noted), but you may be asked to come to a meeting.
2. PTG does not control any of the academics of the school- who your kid(s) get as a teacher, curriculum, etc.
3. Service Coordinator question was submitted – A school family suggested it as a position, and is interested in being the chair/coordinator
4. Fundraising – when we hit the goal, can we give an incentive to the families? T-shirt would not work due to the cost of the shirts, but we could look at a dress down, extra recess, trip down to the park to play time. Great question/great idea!!! Idea could be a glow party – kids wear neon, glow stick, music, etc. We could look at having a company sponsor shirts as a giveaway for meeting fundraising goals. We may want to look at a mid-year progress event and then another event closer to the end of the school year.
5. Fundraising – if a family does not wish to fundraise, can they cut a check? YES, you can make a lump sum payment, or you can spread it out. Please contact the school office for information regarding how to do that.
6. Can we have bigger fundraisers with bigger profits to try to do away with so many fundraisers/small fundraisers? Yes, we are working on a calendar and are trying to plan larger events.

7. Fundraising - Is there a way to see a tally of where the school stands in regard to the total fundraising goal? Yes, that was the plan this year, and we had growing pains that kept us from being able to accomplish this. We will work on this for next year. We need to ensure that fundraisers are profitable and that the amount of work that goes into them ensures a decent profit.

### **Closing Remarks**

Co-Presidents, Vice President, Mr. Militzer

#### **Enrollment –**

- We have about 300 students enrolled for next year. We have not had a whole lot of students pull out. We have a few advertisements for enrollment that will be posted soon.
- Mr Militzer does find out reasons why people are leaving- these reasons are confidential. If the reason is monetary, Mr Militzer does offer to work with the families regarding ways to assist with tuition.
- The Parish pre-school will both be located at the St Valentine's location next year.
- Questions about activities for younger kids - after school clubs: arts & crafts, intermural, school plays, STEM, board games, chess clubs
  - Need a teacher to sponsor the program – willing to stay after school to assist in running the program
  - Parents are encouraged to submit and idea for an after school program
- We should have a survey in the summer that polls the school community about thoughts about the fundraisers that were run over the past year to hep us plan for next year
- We should put out information well in advance for volunteer needs coming up so that working parents have ample time to request off time from work.
- Clearances – per bylaws, clearances will need to be completed in order to participate. The office will provide more information about clearance status.

### **Meeting adjourned**

Thank you for attending

**\*Please make sure to add your name to the sign-up sheet and provide a good email address for further communications.**