Saints APA Meeting Minutes – March 5, 2025

Opening prayer- 6:30 p.m.

Principal's Report

-Solar being installed in parking lot, delay in work right now, work will resume in April

-New structure will cover 90% of electrical costs in Commons

-Parking lot will get some electric chargers over summer, will likely be open not only to teachers/staff but parents for parking

-Ceramics room getting makeover, will be beautiful when done- will be full ceramics studio; larger space, skylight

-Admissions good, have waiting list of about 50

-OLP: possible middle school study for future, not presently allowed by Cardinal

Upcoming Events Needing Volunteers

-New Family Night -March 19, 5:30-8:30 - Need at least 12 volunteers

-Grandparents Day- March 21, shifts between 9-1-need at least 15 volunteers

-Can be actual grandparents or grandparent substitutes

SAT at Saints

-Only for Seniors, will likely be in October

-Boys do better on ACT if considering a standardized test, consider ACT vs. SAT

-UC and Cal State schools do not use these scores, some other schools are test blind, some test optional, so check schools in making your decision

Upcoming Events of Note

Senior Mother-Son Brunch, Sunday April 6

-Letter with RSVP went out recently

Junior Mass and Brunch, Friday March 15

-Issues with sign ups, trying to work out

Senior Events Letter Coming Out on March 9

Senior Awards Ceremony- Friday May 16

-Everyone is welcome, parent section

-Certain underclass awards are part of Senior ceremony

9th and10th Grade MORP, Friday May 2- Saints and OLP students only

Senior Prom will be downtown, might be the Hyatt

Tuition

-Saints has met its goal of not exceeding 4% increase per year, but that is \$1K/year, they do watch it

-Biggest expense is teacher salaries, school tries to focus money on salaries and benefits to teachers and staff, for retention, they need certain things for cost of living and to stay at Saints vs. leave for more money

Mom Prom- Big Success

-Will either be every year or every other year

-Cannot go much later than it did due to neighborhood noise issues

-Photo line too long, get another photographer? Photo stations?

-More seating

Parent Social

-maybe too close to other events, Miss OLP and Mom Prom

-smaller turn out, but nice event

Taste of Saints- May 17

-Will need volunteers, discuss more next meeting

St. Monica's Prayer Group

-Potlucks on March 13 (St. Patrick's Day theme) and May 8

-8 a.m. Mass and potluck follows

Start Smart Driving- Wed. March 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, May 7

Next meeting- more planning for next year-April 16