

FSA General Meeting
Monday, January 10, 2022

I. Welcome/Call to Order/Prayer - 6:30

II. Principal Update (Misty Hade)

Rocking and rolling week 2 of January! FAST assessments for K-5 through will take place over the next 2 weeks (reading and math), then middle school will do their assessments. 8th grade will be completing an additional science assessment as well with MAP to see if the teachers would benefit from more data, since ISAT only tests science at 5th and 8th grade.

Catholic school week is coming up. The talent show flyers went out; as of right now, parents are invited to attend on that Friday (planning on 1:50-3:00). The spiritual committee is working on details for the other days.

Parent teacher conferences will be held in February.

There is currently 9% student absenteeism due to illness (includes all illnesses), once at 10% we have to report to Polk County Health.

There was a question about testing. St. Luke's gives the high school placement test for Dowling. Dowling also will look at 7th grade scores to invite incoming 8th grade students to start taking classes at Dowling.

2022-2023 Registration update - 231 currently registered for fall, including 31 for kindergarten, and 26 for sixth grade. Retention continues to be very good.

III. Treasurer's Report (Matt Edwards)

We are still looking closely at the \$5000 shortfall from fundraising (Green Par-Tee cancellation). Out of our budgeted \$20,000 for new building needs, the executive board approved the purchase of new projectors at a cost of ~\$12,000. Everything else budget-wise remains on target.

IV. Old Business

a. Family Faith (Anna Schaffer)

Had the Christmas movie event in the meeting room which filled the space perfectly and the new popcorn machine was a hit! No solid plans for a January event, but things are in the works. Thank you to Misty and Nick for all the communication and support of our activities.

b. Green Gala (Janet Irmeier)

Each class is doing a theme basket - students have been asked to drop off items. Each grade will also be working on blankets for the auction. Purchased raffle tickets are starting to come back in. The committee is still seeking additional sponsors. Early bird pricing ended last Friday; if you can't attend, you can still download the Handbid app to bid on silent auction items. Masquerade theme!

c. Restaurant Night Recap (Melissa Stewart)

Spirit night at Panda Express tonight until 9pm! Chipotle for February.

d. Luau at St. Luke's (Jessica Boor)

Scheduled for August 6th, 2022, adults only. This will function as a back to school event for parents and teachers, super casual and low-key. Feelers for event chairs will be put out immediately following the Green Gala.

V. New Business

a. School Board update (Misty Hade)

Last meeting was November with voting on budget and teacher salaries. The next meeting is scheduled for 1/25; Misty will be presenting the 2022-2023 school year calendar.

b. FSA elections are coming up in March - nominations will take place in February for at least the Vice President position and possibly the Treasurer position. Please let us know if you know of any great candidates.

c. The executive board is going to start **drafting the budget** for 2022-2023 which will be presented at the May general meeting.

d. Parent Ambassadors - Contact list for new families will be made available on February 1st to start the program going for the 2022-2023 school year. There is plenty of interest in doing a pizza and playground party in May.

VI. Adjournment/Closing Prayer - 6:53