

CBA Mothers' Club Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2021
Called to Order 7:30 p.m

Executive Board Members 2021-2022:

Moderator	Tom Ferro
President	Paula McKeon
Vice President	Rosemarie Lakeman
Treasurer	Heather Scaturro
Secretary	Josy Coughlin
Communications Officer	Maureen Faletti
Past President	Beth Caruso

Opening Prayer and Remarks:

Paula began the meeting by welcoming everyone to Alumni Hall and asked Tom Ferro to give the Opening Prayer. Tom referenced the recent email to parents announcing that Brother Tom Gerrow will be the interim President of CBA. A search committee has been put together and the Brothers have opened the position to all districts in the United States as well as lay people, with a focus on alumni. Regarding construction on campus, bid requests have been sent to several contractors for the Round Barn, Tennis Pavilion, Benilde and McKenna. The Capital Campaign is on track for the \$14 million goal. Tom reminded everyone of events taking place during the current week and next, especially Freshman Parent Guidance Night, PSATs and Freshman Oath Day and Fathers' Club Meeting.

Paula stated that there isn't any new business to report from the Executive Board. The Fall Luncheon is Sunday, October 24th and tickets will be sold at the end of the meeting. Paula reminded everyone to "like" the Mothers' Club on Facebook and Instagram as a lot of information is posted on social media regarding upcoming events. The next major event to be held by the Mothers' Club is the Winter Extravaganza on January 29th. Preparation for that event begins once the Fall Luncheon is over. It's a casual and fun themed event for parents held on a Saturday night. More information to follow in the coming weeks. The Mother & Son Dinner is on the school's calendar for March 31st and will be held at Addison Park.

Paula moved on to information for Freshmen. Mrs. Szablewski is the Dean of Campus Life and she's prepared a handout of information regarding Freshmen events. All Freshmen are encouraged to join a club. All clubs are still open to membership. If a student doesn't see a club that interests him and would be interested in starting a new club, please have him reach out to Mrs. Szablewski. Mrs. Szablewski will be moderating Ping Pong with Brother Frank on Friday afternoons. It's one of the most popular clubs at CBA and it's a great introduction for Freshmen. Freshmen school IDs will be distributed tomorrow in Homeroom and Freshman Parent Guidance night is Wednesday. New this year is the Big Brother Program which pairs up Freshmen with Juniors and is in addition to the GURU Program which is for Freshmen with Seniors. Freshman Oath Day is the 13th and the Student Council Dance is at 7pm on the 15th.

Admission to the dance is \$10, CBA students will need their school IDs to attend and the dance is open to all CBA students and all local high school girls. Dress code is casual but not gym casual. Yearbook pictures can be retaken on October 20th, the Adventurers' Club trip to Six Flags is October 22nd. CBA celebrates Halloween on October 29th and all students are welcome to wear a "CBA appropriate" costume to school. More information regarding costumes will be emailed to the students closer to the date. Please feel free to reach out to the following faculty regarding any issue you need to discuss: Academics - Mr. Nunan, Mental Health - Mrs. Johnson, Student Health & Safety and Student Life - Mrs. Szablewski, Discipline - Mr. Meehan. The Faculty Directory is on the CBA website under Academics. Please feel free to reach out to any member of the Mothers' Club Executive Board as well.

The next Mothers' Club meeting is November 8th and the guest speaker is Director of Guidance, Mr. Leonardo. The December meeting is a joint celebration with the Fathers' Club to be held on December 13th. There will be a liturgy and a reception to follow.

Paula invited Marta Petrocelli to give updates on the upcoming Fall Luncheon. Marta encouraged everyone to purchase their raffle tickets in advance. Admission tickets and raffle tickets will be available for sale at the end of the meeting. Currently attendance is at 400 and will be capped soon. Gift cards (\$25 minimum) are needed for a game to be held at the Luncheon. Please feel free to reach out to Marta, Coco Forster or Colleen Ailor regarding donations. A Sign-Up Genius will be going out for volunteers needed the day before and the morning of the event as well as for volunteers needed at the Luncheon. Paula reminded everyone that cash will be needed for the bar, 50/50 and Gift Card game.

Two members asked questions regarding setting up a Suggestion Box and setting up a virtual broadcast or recording of Mothers' Club meetings for the members not able to attend. Both ideas were appreciated and will be considered.

Paula thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was motioned and seconded to close.

Meeting Time: 32 minutes