

CBA Mothers' Club Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2022
Called to Order 7:30 p.m.

Executive Board Members 2022-2023:

Moderator	Bill Attardi
President	Paula McKeon
Vice President	Rosemarie Lakeman
Treasurer	Maureen Yurcisin
Secretary	Jennifer Hughes
Communications Officer	Maureen Faletti
Past President	Beth Caruso

Mothers' Club President Paula McKeon welcomed everyone in attendance and thanked everyone for coming out in the pouring rain!! She then began the meeting with a special prayer for the Hurricane Ian victims in Florida. Everyone was invited to help themselves to the refreshments provided by the wonderful Hospitality Committee.

Paula then invited Moderator Bill Attardi to the podium to provide us with updates for the upcoming year. Bill said how remarkable it is that everything will be completed by the end of this school year. The tennis pavilion is complete and about 100 people attended the ribbon cutting ceremony with Coach O'Shea and many CBA tennis players (past and current) in attendance. Ribbon cuttings will be held this spring for soccer, lacrosse and track which are up and running now. He went on to say how this is a great transitional year, with a new Principal and President. He introduced Kevin Maccarella, new Director of Annual Giving, who said a few words about himself and his role. Bill also explained that the CBA barbeque will now be held in September and will be called "Homecoming" with alumni reunions, alumni games, etc... The new Brother Frank Dining Hall is still on schedule to be ready in the 4th quarter. The kitchen will be named after Dolly Sullivan who worked the kitchen from the very beginning up until she passed away 3 years ago. On October 29, there will be an event in the library from 3-5pm to honor Brother Frank and Dolly. All are invited. An email will be sent tomorrow to register for the event. In closing, Bill expressed how much he is looking forward to upcoming Mothers' Club events.

Paula then discussed Mr. Butler's self-defense class, which was successful. A questionnaire regarding interest will go out in an email, as he would like to open it up to mothers and daughters in the future.

She also reminded everyone of the Blessing of the Animals, to be held by Mr. Reagan, on 10/4 at 4pm on the lawn by the chapel or in the chapel in the case of rain.

The upcoming Luncheon, to be held on Sunday 10/23, was discussed as well. Everyone was encouraged to purchase tickets through the website and to get raffle tickets in advance. Also, co-chairs Coco Forster and Marta Petrocelli are still accepting donations for the raffle tables, as well as gift cards. A sign-up genius will be available soon for those who would like to volunteer to help at the event.

Our new Principal, Mr. Neil Begley then came to the podium to introduce himself. He is an alumnus of CBA. He attended the United States Military Academy at West Point and was commissioned as a field artillery officer in the army. After his service in the military, he came back to CBA as a math and physics teacher for about 6 years. He then attended Seton Hall University for his Master's degree in Educational Leadership. He became Vice Principal and then Principal of Saint Leo the Great School in Lincroft for over 12 years. He is also currently pursuing his doctorate. He is honored to be back here at CBA and is happy that the school year is off to a great start. He expressed thanks and emphasized the importance of the parent communities at CBA, especially the Mothers' and Fathers' Clubs.

Paula thanked everyone for attending and announced the next meeting will be November 7th at 7:30pm in the Library. The guest speakers for that meeting will be the CBA students who recently returned from a service trip to Montana.

Meeting Time: 22 minutes