**PTO Meeting Minutes**

Monday, March 11th

McDonough Hall

*Present: Meg Bigane, Trevor Shoffer, Yedlin Jesuit, Susan Povilaitis, Marguerite Roza, Deidra Jenkins, Amy Crilly, Kristen Reale, Joanne Biemer, Annie Clements, Elizabeth Cruz, Jennifer Fox*

**Presidents’ Report (Fox/Crilly)**

* [Plant Sale](https://www.stgilespto.com): Paper orders are due this Friday, March 15th and online orders are being accepted through Sunday, March 17th. All proceeds go to support the Outdoor Classroom.
* Enrichment Opportunity over Spring Break – “Mosaic Art Workshop” – 6th - 8th grades, April 16th & 18th; 1pm – 4pm. Students will create a portion of the St. Giles permanent art display that will be located on the back of the garage next to our school garden.
* [March Madness](https://www.stgilespto.com/march-madness): Men’s Tournament fundraiser is underway. Squares are for sale online and in person. They cost $50/piece and there are 60 chances to win!

**Principal’s Report (Bigane)**

* Vetting a couple speakers for options before spring break to address issues creating friction and conflict in older grades (5th – 8th)
* PTO sponsoring a screening of the movie Screenagers on Thursday March 28th for parents and 5th -8th graders will see the movie on March 29th. All are invited.
* Playground grant received from Kaboom. May 18th is the ‘build day” and many St. Giles volunteers are needed. Please save the date and plan to participate.
* Joey FineRhyme is coming Friday, March 22nd to give motivational speech to students about energy, climate and waste.

**Treasurer’s Report (Biemer)**

* Please pay hot lunch bill.

**Committee Reports**

*Diversity and Inclusion*

* Meetings on calendar through end of school calendar
* Asked to promote meetings on website
* 3rd Tuesday of every month in Dore Parish Center at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 19th.
* Currently focused on a training opportunity for teachers and staff around diversity and inclusion
* Need to decide what months to celebrate (i.e. Black History Month, Disability Awareness, Women’s History)
* New members are welcome

*Faith and Family*

* Great Grades masses are coming back –
  + 4th/5th - March 19th
  + 2nd/3rd – March 27th
  + K/1 - April 10th
  + 6th –April 30th
  + 7th – May 14th
  + 8th – May 29th
* Going forward, teachers will organize masses in coordination with liaisons
* Faith on the Go – May 17th after drop off – walk to the Dominican Grotto and say the rosary

*Wellness*

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*Variety Show*

* Heather Kroll is looking for a co-chair.
* Variety Show performance date may be changed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us!

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The next PTO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9th in the McDonough Hall conference room at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted by Kristen Reale