

ST. PATRICK ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES-

Meeting held on Mike Coyne's deck on Monday evening 8/31/20

Called to order and opening prayer: by Mike Coyne at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Mike Coyne, Todd Davlin, Dan Lawless, Pat Russman and Randy Hodge.

Report of Treasurer (Dan): Statement of activities and financial reports reviewed by those in attendance. Very difficult for the AA to plan financially due to the lack of certainty regarding our revenue and our expense. If/when the MHSAA makes decisions on our sports programs and our ability to allow fans to watch we will be able to plan better. We are also working with the school and the church to determine different ways to raise funds through our yearly events under Covid related guidelines (Fall Fest, Auction, etc.).

Report of Athletic Director (Pat): Fall sports update: Cross Country team have begun to compete. Volleyball and Football teams are still practicing waiting for MSHAA approval to compete or final decisions to cancel or delay. Middle School football is set to begin in September. This program will run like last year and will be a football evening camp like experience designed to teach the fundamentals of the sport vs playing other schools. Fr. Flohe building update: Thanks to the donations from the John Scheurer memorial and the Athletic Association the building has been insulated. The Plants and Grounds team is doing a great job leading this project. Additional funds remain from these donations that will allow Plants and Grounds to look at heating the building next.

Report for the President (Mike): With the unknowns in front of us we are going to do the best we can with what we have and try to raise enough funds to support sports for St Pats. We have decided to cancel the selling of sports passes this year due the unknowns associated with our fans attending high school sports this year. This is just one example of a historic Athletic Association revenue source that will not occur this year. Others such as concessions and sporting events gate revenue are also in question for this fiscal year. Our August Sports raffle went well and we are adjusting Fall Fest to both Covid restrictions and suggestions from Fr Mike and Randy. I am really proud of our Fall Fest Core team led by Jill Scheurer in their ability to adapt to the significant changes that were asked of them over the past few weeks. This year Fall Fest will include a new raffle and a drive through dinner. The team has spent a lot of time making the raffle bigger and better through more marketing, bigger prizes and bringing

on some technology to allow our supporters to buy online (both raffle tickets and dinners). More information can be found on the 2020 Fall Fest event on the church website under News/Information/Fall Fest:

<https://www.freewebs.com/stpatsfallfestival/>

Raffle tickets and dinners will be available for online purchase soon. Randy and Pat will be asking our athletes to sell Fall Fest tickets vs working in the cafeteria as they have in the past. Lastly, I would like to call out our Sports Raffle chairs Keith and Shayla Schneider. They have led this event for years. This year they built in some efficiencies to their process, minimizing the mailings we sent out and completing the entire raffle in half the time they have in the past. The results of the raffle are equal to or better than the results we had over the past 2 years. Thanks Keith and Shayla for all your hard work.

August Sports Raffle Winners:

8/2 – Ellen Willemin-Lentz 8/8 – Jeff and Stephanie Florian

8/16 – Ken Smith 8/23 – Jeri May

Each year our Sports Raffle team offers an “early bird” benefit to those who buy a ticket before August 10th. This year’s winner of 1 additional ticket was Fr. Larry King. Congratulations Fr. Larry!

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 with Todd Davlin leading us in prayer.

Next meeting will be on Sunday October 4th with all invited at 6:30 in the Parrish Hall. We will follow social distancing guidelines, but it will be great to see everyone back together. Additional FY 2020/2021 Athletic Association meetings as listed below.

10/4, 11/1, 12/6, 1/10, 2/14, 3/7, 4/4, 5/2, and 6/6.