



**St. Dominic Athletic Association
General Meeting
Thursday, September 4, 2025**

Meeting Minutes

- The meeting was opened by Scott Thomas, President, with an opening prayer
- Reminder to Sport Coordinators to ensure all coaches are up to date in their Safe Parish Certification training; Deacon Mark Bardanaro sent an email indicating several past volunteers/coaches were behind in their Safe Parish Training videos and must get up-to-date or risk being removed from the approved list.
- Fall Sports Updates
 - Football – Coordinator Rich Hafner reported the teams have played two games thus far, with the Pony team holding a 1-1 record, the Reserve 1-1, and the Varsity 2-0; there are 30-35 St. Dominic students playing football this season, down from 50+ in 2024.
 - Soccer – Coordinator Peter Gibbs stated the soccer season began with pre-season training camps for players in mid-August. There are 183 students playing soccer this season (three teams at pre-K, five boys' teams from grades 1-8, and seven girls' teams from grades 1-8. Peter has worked out an arrangement with Delhi Park to line the field at the Delhi Floral Gardens and use that field for Passers (grades 1-2) practices and games. The end-of-the-season MQAS Soccer Tournament will be held on October 25-26,
 - Golf –First-year Coordinator, TJ Stahlheber, reported that the golf season is underway with four (out of ten) matches remaining. Jerry McCarron is again serving as Golf Coach, with TJ as the Assistant Coach. Twelve students signed up for golf this season. Two are playing Varsity level at OLV, while the remaining 10 are playing Instructional level for St. Dominic. The team has

progressed nicely, dropping approximately 30 strokes since the beginning of the season. The Golf Team will hold a fundraising Golf Outing on October 18th at Neumann Golf Course. They are still accepting foursomes and looking for sponsors for the event.

- Girls' Western Athletic Conference Update (GWAC) - St. Dominic GWAC Representative Amanda Newland reported that the Girls Volleyball season will start soon, and St. Dominic parent Brian Bass is the new Referee Coordinator for GWAC. Also, the GWAC Board will vote at its next meeting whether or not to change the classifications of Girls' Basketball divisions into Competitive and Recreational, eliminating the A, B1 and B designations.
- Treasurer Peter Gibbs reported the Athletic Association has a substantial balance; however, the balance has diminished each of the last three years. To stabilize the finances, the Board will be considering/voting on an increase in sports fees at the September 10 Athletic Board meeting. Fees have not increased in over 5 years.
- Facilities update – Air conditioning has been installed in the gym. The final electric hookup and turning on of the AC is planned for Saturday, September 13th.
- The next Athletic Association General meeting will be on October 2, 2025.

Scott Thomas adjourned the meeting