

Home and School Association

Meeting Minutes

Sept. 8, 2016 – 7:00 pm

Meeting called to order: 7:09pm

Attendance: Alicia Albus, Jill Azar, Aimée Bergan, Laura Boeker, Sara Buehring, Catherine Davenport, Jen Duffy, Danielle Emert, Ellen Fesler, Kristen Figge, Jennifer Grimmer, Lisa Henry, Jennifer Hulsen, Erin Killion, Becky Lane, Tracy Lawhorn, Janice Loeffelman, Emily McAtee, Suzanne Moore, Yvette Pelikan, Christine Sadler, Donna Schnieders, Amy Schroff, Kelly Schnitzmeier, Emily Schoemehl, Kris Sluhan, Fr. John Vien, Denise Watkins, Katie Wedding, Rhonda Zevan, Philip (Seminarian)

Opening Prayer – Yvette Pelikan

Approval of minutes – submitted by Aimée Bergan, 1st Kris Sluhan, 2nd Erin Killion, approved

Treasurer's Report – Ellen Fesler/Suzanne Moore – submitted Budget for the year (see attached). Any questions, contact Ellen.

- Expense reimbursements – send to Ellen (ok to send home through school)
- Funding Requests
 1. Mrs. Hagopian - \$925.85 for 4 standing desks, therabands, silly putty
1st Sara Buehring, 2nd Katie Wedding, approved
 2. Mrs. Forthaus - \$219 x2 for two Canon PowerShot cameras for Yearbook
Approved
 3. Mrs. Schroff – up to \$10,000 for new server within next 2 weeks to replace current server that is failing (and needed to continue technology as status quo as well as any improvements)
1st Emily McAtee, 2nd Catherine Davenport, approved
 4. Suzanne Moore/Playground Committee – up to \$5000 to replace
1st Emily McAtee, 2nd Erin Killion, approved

Principal's Report – Amy Schroff

- Back-to-School Nights went well, but if you have any suggestions for 5th-8th grade nights, please send to Mrs. Schroff – teachers have already discussed need to improve the structure of the night

- Wednesday Folders – already have a need for these to come back, paperwork getting lost. It will be limited to forms that need to be returned to school and only sent 1 time. Kathy Bauer has agreed to head this up again. These will be going home with the youngest.

Pastor's Report – Fr. John Vien

- Introduced Philip (Seminararian)
- Thank you to HASA for gift card to The Block and bottle of vodka for my award.
- Wants students and HASA to work on being kind to one another this year.
- Beyond Sunday – Archdiocesan Capital Campaign seeking to raise \$100 million to fund Catholic education. This has been going on for 2 years, our parish is in Phase 3 of the rollout. It will establish scholarships for middle-income families and grants to schools to fund technology, supplies, etc. Four of our MQP families applied and received scholarships. Two of our high school families applied and received scholarships. Goal for MQP is to raise \$2.2 million. 60% will go to Archdiocese, 40% to MQP (~\$800,000) – ½ would be for scholarship funds for our families, and ½ for capital repairs and improvements. Asking for pledges for 3-5 years. Rolling out to all parishioners now and plan to be concluded by December.

Old Business –

- Ice Cream Social – Catherine Davenport/Christine Sadler
 - Think it all went well, but next year would like to have more signs and monitors to tell children to keep ice cream in café. Would like to invite Children's Choir to have a table for sign-ups.
 - Everyone liked that students found out their teachers on the Friday before.
 - Nametags for HASA members was a great idea!
- Buzz Book – Kathy Bauer
 - Book at printer and includes a section for PSR students
- School Supplies – Jennifer Grimmer
 - Went well. We should make about \$400.

New Business –

- Auction 2016 – Kristen Figge
 - Has contacted volunteers from SignUpGenius
 - Currently have \$22,000 in sponsorships (2014 had \$39,000)
 - Have 14 confirmed Live auction items, 4 pending, possibly puppies
 - If you have any leads on sponsors or live auction items (\$1000 or more), please contact Kristen, she will make the ask if you give her the lead
- Grandparents' Day
 - Still being worked on by Enrollment Management and Marketing
 - Would like to invite grandparents to a mass before sending letters to grandparents for Grandparent Honor Roll (auction donations) – Jennifer Grimmer will work with A. Schroff on date/details

- Volunteers – Denise Watkins and Jill Wittgen
 - 1100-1200 spots available, only 103 open spots left
 - 10 families not signed up at all (38 slots)
- Magazine Drive – Lisa Henry
 - Kickoff went well and already raised \$5000
 - Could use a few more prize donations
 - Fr. John is prize – Papa John’s with Fr. John
 - First turn-in is 9/15
- Trunk or Treat – Yvette Pelikan/Jill Azar
 - Couple of new surprises
 - October 28 from 6-9pm
 - Discussed recipient of donations from event: Catechesis of the Good Shepard was proposed by members to receive donations again (no money in budget of school/parish to fund supplies for Atrium nor pay trained catechists; 2nd grade sacrament preparation will be through Atrium, there is not other funding source, catechists are now trained to teach Pre3s-2nd grade and would like to continue educating catechists through Level 3 so they can teach all the way up to 8th grade) – 1st Suzanne Moore, 2nd Catherine Davenport, approved
- Bratfest – Danielle Emert and Jennifer Hulsen
 - 3’x8’ reusable, weather-resistant banner will be put in front of church on lawn
 - 2 alcohol sponsors: Dolrenry and Gassoﬀs
 - Reduced # of tables we are renting
 - Will utilize Square for on-site credit card purchases at event
 - Mass with Fr. Craig and special blessing before meal
 - Face painters, pony rides, Young Families Kids Korder for 0-5
 - Have 1 volunteer/hour to “monitor” gym – may need to add add’l volunteers
 - 8th grade pretzel-eating contest in gym – parents will need to sign permission slip
 - Want to try getting group photo of everyone from roof after the blessing

President’s Report – Becky Lane

- By-laws – please read over revised by-laws that were emailed out last week; we will vote on these next meeting
- Thank yous:
 - Kelly Schnitzmeier for a great job with the Buddy Families
 - Erin Killion for the cute buckets for Box Tops
 - The Otto Family – for stepping in to take care of Traffic Duty volunteers
 - Denise/Jill – for organizing the volunteer spots and sign-ups
 - Jennifer Grimmer for distributing school supplies
 - Catherine/Christine – for a great Ice Cream Social

- Congrats to Fr. John on Great Preacher Award
- Would like us to reach out to parishioners in neighborhood who aren't as active and invite them to Bratfest, auction, Women's League house tour – nudge people back to parish life
- Still looking for Team Captain for St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk on 9/24
- Would like to increase participation in Scrip program – if you have any ideas or know of anyone in charge at other parishes, please share with Becky or Scrip Coordinators
- When buying supplies for MQP - Please utilize tax form– we will not be able to reimburse for tax any longer. Also, use Scrip to make purchases. Katie Wedding passed out tax-exemption form in protective sleeve as well as dividers and handouts for binders.

Meeting concluded with a prayer by Fr. John at 8:39pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 13, 2016 ***Prayer:*** Alicia Albus (needs to switch)