

SAINT MARY SCHOOL MOTHERS' GUILD

Meeting Minutes

2/9/10

1. Call To Order

- 1.1. The meeting began with a prayer at 7:18pm from Heather Watts.
- 1.2. Erica Dowd, President, welcomed all families back to our first meeting of the New Year.
- 1.3. A list of attendees is attached.

2. Old Business

- 2.1. Walk-a-Thon-** We had net proceeds of \$34,000+ for the Walk-a-Thon and a huge thank you went to Vicki Goicovich for organizing and running the event. Vicki Campanella suggested a post mortem meeting to discuss what made the event such a success. The \$8500 in Sponsorship funds definitely contributed.
- 2.2. Future of Fundraising-** Catherine Lowney will be heading up a meeting at Stubby's on March 10th to discuss the future of fundraising at St. Mary. What will be the most efficient/successful way to raise funds in the years to come?
- 2.3. Holiday Boutique-** We extend a heartfelt thank you to Nancy Robinson for chairing our holiday boutique this year. We had net proceeds of \$4443 from the event.
- 2.4. Poinsettia Sales-** Poinsettias brought in \$1000; thanks to Christina Gilroy for organizing this service.
- 2.5. Logo wear-** We didn't have a large enough response for Mothers' Guild logo wear so that item was tabled until next year.
- 2.6. January Social-** Everyone had a great time at the January Mothers' Guild social. Thanks to Nancy Robinson for hosting the event at her home.
- 2.7. See's Candy-** The Christmas See's Candy drive brought in approximately \$1000 and the Easter forms will be coming out on March 15th.

3. Committee Reports

- 3.1. Finance-** Shelda Reynolds, Treasurer, went over finances and reported that Mother's Guild has a positive ending balance of \$39,771 to date and \$16,400 in the CD.

3.1.1. Sources of income include:

❖ Walk-a-Thon	\$34,000
❖ Holiday Boutique	\$ 4443
❖ See's Candy	\$ 990
❖ Poinsettia Sales	\$ 1044

3.1.2. Sources of Expenses include:

❖ School Commitment	\$10,000
❖ Supplies	\$ 315
❖ Library World Commitment	\$ 395

- ❖ Upcoming Expenses Include:
- ❖ Kinder Graduation \$ 200
- ❖ Mother/Son Bingo \$ 300
- ❖ Scholarships- to be voted on- approx. \$1000

3.1. **SAC-** Kristina Ryan reported on enrollment- 279; this school year one Kinder student left and one 4th grade student joined St. Mary. Letters of intent to return went out and the \$350 will be due May 1st.

3.1.1. **Calendar-** 2nd Grade First Reconciliation will take place in February.

3.1.2. **Salary Report-** Vicki Campanella reported that teachers' salaries will be frozen for 2010-2011 for 70% of Public Schools.

3.1.3. **Scrip-** Looking toward making scrip purchases mandatory starting next year.

3.1.4. **Annual Fund-** We are currently at 87% of our goal for the Annual Fund.

3.1.5. **SRO Hours-** They are looking at how SRO hours are being used and what percentage of time is spent on fundraising. Program may be changed to make a mandatory percentage toward direct school fundraising, i.e. Auction, Walk-a-Thon, See's Candy, etc.

3.2. **Auction-** Cathy Broch, Chair reported that the Student Sock Hop was a success and that the Online Auction will kickoff on February 24th. There will be flyers and emails sent to parents for information and publicity. Heather Watts was grateful for her 10 committee members dedicated to procurement; their efforts brought in some excellent auction items.

4. **New Business-**

4.1. **Mothers' Guild Commitment to Auction-** Heather Watts inquired what Mothers' Guild would be willing to contribute to the auction and Erica Dowd opened the floor for discussion. The greatest benefit would be toward a Live Auction item- a gift certificate to CordeValle for stay in a 750sf bungalow, a \$300 credit at the spa, and breakfast at one of the restaurants. A Sally Spicer bag from Holiday Boutique would also be donated. Lara Orradre made the motion to vote, Kristina Ryan, 2nd, the motion passed with all in favor.

4.2. **Mothers' Guild Finances-** Erica Dowd reported that with the significant funds in Mothers' Guild account, we will need to look at how the excess funds will be used to help the school. Ideas included:

4.2.1. Set aside next years' \$10K commitment.

4.2.2. Opportunity to put more money in the CD.

4.2.3. Technology is the biggest area of need. We could look at the cost of a cart and new computers.

4.2.4. Class Wish List- Budgets have been cut from \$500 to \$250. Help the teachers with their classroom needs.

4.2.5. Literature Circle Books- Sets of books for 3rd – 8th grades need to be replaced.

4.2.6. Science Camp- Costs are approx. \$215/student, \$6k-\$6.5k/class. MG could contribute funds to lessen the burden on parents for this worthwhile program for students.

4.2.7. 8th Grade DC Trip- Not every student goes due to cost issues. We could provide scholarships.

- 4.3. **Father's Day Liturgy-** The St. Joseph's Father's Day Liturgy is scheduled for Friday, March 19th. Mothers' Guild will host a continental breakfast- muffins, coffee juice. Volunteers will be needed to help set-up and coordinate the event.
- 4.4. **Mothers' Guild Board-** Tammi Blundo will be taking over as President of Mothers' Guild next year. She is open to suggestions and ideas for next years' board. Nominations will be held next month.

3. Adjournment took place at 8:50pm.

List of Attendees

Vicki Campanella

Erica Dowd

Lilia Vaca

Cathy Broch

Heather Watts

Kelly Leal

Nadien Melo

Tammi Blundo

Tiffany Oetinger

Laura Mendez

Adina Austin

Vicki Goicovich

Suzanne McCarthy

Lisa Sepka

Christina Gilroy

Shelda Reynolds

Lara Orradre

Kristina Ryan

Amy Tripoli

Dolores Grissom

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Kelly Leal

Minutes approved by: **[Name]**