

St. Charles Borromeo Home & School Association

Minutes for Monday, November 20, 2017

Present: Jen Reesman, Mary Giese, Laura Bisher, Melissa Doyle, Annamarie Kucera

Opening prayer.

No minutes from last meeting. Will review upon receipt.

Gina Miller resigned as secretary of Home & School. We are in need to find a replacement ASAP. Mary Giese (VP) has agreed to take minutes in the interim.

Treasurers report: reviewed by Jen Reesman (since Peter Gabriel was unable to attend). Scrip is continuing to make some profit and should continue to grow throughout December for Christmas shopping. We have paid the \$11000 for the heat and electricity to the parish for the activity center. We will have to pay the 2nd half of those bills in the first half of 2018.

Principals report: was reviewed by Laura Bisher came as representative for the school (since Mary MacDonald was unable to attend). Home & School was thanked by Laura on behalf of all the teachers for paying for the field trip busses, for paying for the copy machine and for supporting the Charger Challenge. Pizza monies were discussed and we have been instructed by the Archdiocese that the 7th grade will be able to apply their monies raised to their individual DC accounts. Jen Reesman and Mary MacDonald are working with St. Mary's to create similar accounts i.e.: Class of 20XX to put the pizza monies into for the DC trip, so if/when the schools combine the monies will be easily put together. Laura also conveyed that in the last 2 weeks we have lost 3 students due to dissatisfaction of our school. These students all went to St. Mary's. The issues have been discussed with Father Jim and Mary MacDonald and Father Jim has now put a moratorium on any student leaving St. Charles to attend St. Mary's. This policy is based on the possibility of the unification of the schools. The school staff are making plans to ensure that the St. Charles community – students and parents experience a positive, thriving place for a great education and a happy community. Class fundraising/community project efforts are:

- Sending supplies and greetings to troops. (A St. Charles alumni – Greg Miller's troop in particular.) This is being organized by Scott Schlesner. Classes have been paired up and given a list. Some of these have created a small incentive/competition) This runs from 11/27 – 12/6.
- Fingers and Toes which will collect mittens and socks for the needy is being run by the Ambassadors club and will take place the 2nd or 3rd week of December.
- Christmas adopt a family which will earn funds through a bake sale on December 7th and 8th is also being run by the Ambassadors club. They are asking for bake sale items from all the St. Charles School Community.

Presidents report: reviewed by Jen Reesman. There was a change to the approved budget to include the play production costs, so the Drama Fees were increased under income to \$3550 and the Play production costs under expense was increased to \$3000. Christmas concert was changed to Tuesday, December 12th. The 8th grade class will have a 50/50 raffle to raise money towards their graduation costs and class gift. There will be no Mexican Fiesta this year. We will ask the St. Charles School community for baked good donations for the event and we will supply small bottles of water. Mary Giese will be sure to mark the reserved seating for those that purchased it at the Spring Fling. The Bowling event will be in late January and Julie Busch has agreed to head up that event. No one approached/questioned the missing Pizza sale in November.

Mary Giese talked about the Spring Fling and how to approach the community regarding donations for the Spring Fling due to the possibility of the unification of the schools. Members of the committee that were present felt that the community were on board if/when the unification occurs. Mary Giese will wait until the results of the steering committee in mid to late January to appropriately word the donation request letter.

Melissa Doyle motioned for the meeting to adjourn and Mary Giese seconded the motion.

Next meeting is on Monday, January 15th and 6:30pm.

Minutes dutifully submitted on November 29, 2017.