

## SPS Home & School Association – General Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2018, 7pm

15 parents in attendance including Principal, Amie Hale, and several H&S Executive Board members

1. Call to order and pray by Tricia Dever, H&S President, at 7:00 pm
2. Review and approval of January 2018 Minutes – Amy Ascani made a motion to approve; Stacy Bopp seconded; all in favor; motion carries
3. Officer Reports
  - a. President – Tricia Dever
    - i. One on one meetings with teachers start next week to find out needs for the classrooms. Focus will be on “A Building” enhancements made possible by auction proceeds.
    - ii. School Finance Committee meeting – asked Father Jay about getting the church a gift from the auction proceeds. He mentioned a new microwave & replacing the freezers in the church basement. He would also like a new funeral pall (white cloth that covers casket) and to have the sanctuary candle re-dipped in gold. Quotes will be obtained.
    - iii. We’ll soon put a more definitive plan together on use of auction proceeds
  - b. Past President – Amy Ascani – no report
  - c. Treasurer’s report – Alan Michel, provided an overview of the budget, including special project allocations (e.g. Auction Fund the Cause proceeds for classroom chairs - approx. \$13k)
  - d. Volunteer Chairs – Stacy Nunziato and Leyla Renner (both absent) – no report
4. Old Business
  - a. Safety/Security
    - i. Bolo sticks, door security – There was a holdup with permission to install based upon a new Ohio revised code concerning lockdown devices. Amy Ascani offered to lead the project. Mrs. Hale to contact the police department.
    - ii. Fence along the playground – need to revisit topic as weather gets better; Tricia Dever to explore zoning. Consider a Boy/Eagle Scout project?
    - iii. Window clings – Lara Kimbell leading project. Adrienne Scalera has offered to draft a design.
  - b. Classroom reps / wish list report - no reports. Tricia Dever is planning one on one meetings with each teacher to talk about wish list items
  - c. Blue Ribbon School / 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - keep in Old Business for future review
5. New Business
  - a. Amy Oster explained that the school’s hot lunch storage closet is in need of new shelving. The estimated cost range to replace with either wire racks or melamine is between \$900 - \$2000; discussion that melamine is probably the best option. We’ll review at next month’s meeting after Tricia Dever meets with the teachers; target this as a summer project.

- b. Danielle Herzog –requested that the hot lunch warmers be replaced – Estimated cost is \$2600 to replace both. Other groups use these warmers as well (e.g. funeral gatherings). We can consider replacing on one warmer for \$1300. Tricia Dever will bring this up at the next Finance Council meeting to determine the appropriate budget. Plan to vote on hot lunch storage and warmers (if applicable) at next month’s meeting and after discussion with the Finance Council.
- c. A question was raised about having a leftover lunch food table and there was previous discussion on the Parents’ Facebook forum. This is not a viable option due to lack of resources to monitor and allergy concerns.
- d. 2018 Auction Chairs Needed – looking for new chairs; especially a small fundraiser chair

6. School Report – Amie Hale

- a. Catholic Schools Week – Thanks to everyone that helped make it a success; about 300 blessing bags were prepared for local nursing homes. Mrs. Hale will soon deliver student letters to military organizations. Many tours were provided as well.
- b. Brooks Gibbs is coming in to speak on 2/14/18 about bullying.
- c. Kindergarten fair – Very well attended. The Lego League table was very popular! Thank you to everyone who helped at the masses to promote our school including announcements at Little Flower & Holy Spirit churches.
- d. Lent begins tomorrow (2/14/18) – Rice Bowls are coming home with students; Ash Wednesday mass will be held.
- e. St. Michael’s is organizing a speaker, Margaret Dillio-Storey on Wednesday, February 21 from 6:30-8:00pm to discuss “Parenting in the Digital Age,” topics covered include ABCs of Parenting, Signs and Symptoms of Depression and Suicide, Keeping up with Social Media.
- f. Fundraiser for Leukemia & Lymphoma – former SPS student leading; communications have been sent home with students. There is a “change war” among classes. Upcoming Chipotle fundraiser – 2/15/18 – at two locations (flier sent home), Krispy Kreme fundraiser coming soon
- g. We have a job posting for night custodians (6-9 pm); looking for 3 custodians and each would be responsible for a building.
- h. A Clorox 360 disinfectant machine was purchased with auxiliary funds. School nurse, Stacy Remark, has been applying the disinfectant as time permits throughout the school. She’s focusing first on areas where we’ve had a higher concentration of illness.
- i. 2018/2019 school registration documents were sent home; also information about our Focus on Enrollment initiatives, including tuition rebates. Our current enrollment is 324.
- j. Financial Aid is handled through a new online system– Smart Aid; 1 application goes to various entities; March 16<sup>th</sup> deadline
- k. The Science Fair was last Friday at school and then we held a family science night. 10 students qualified to go on to Districts.
- l. First Lego League / Tech Tornadoes team recently went to the state competition & won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Strategy & Innovation; Kevin Fonner also won a Coach/Mentor award.

- m. One of our Junior First Lego League teams, the Lego Gear Masters, has been selected as one of three teams to represent Ohio at the FLL World Competition in Detroit this April. The team is coached by Tim and Jennifer Short.
- n. A teacher has requested funding to go through a Wilson Tutoring Program. They would use the program in their classroom. There was a general discussion about Continuing Education funding (which currently does not exist) and a Scholarship idea.
- o. A fire safety event with a Fireman & “Casey” the Fire Dog will be held at school on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am.
- p. A parent asked how often the gym floor is cleaned. Mrs. Hale explained it’s on a frequent and regular schedule

With no further business, Kim Baca made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Molly White seconded; all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.

**Next H&S General Membership Meeting**

**Wednesday, March 14th at 7pm in the School Library**

