

SPS Home & School Association – General Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2018, 7:00 pm

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

Call to order and prayer by Tricia Dever, H&S President, at 7:01 pm

Review and approval of March 2018 Meeting Minutes – Courtney Dietrich made a motion to approve; Amy Ascani seconded; all in favor; motion carries

Principal's report – Mrs. Amie Hale

Mrs. Hale attended the Parish Council Meeting last evening (occurs once per month) and shared upcoming Holy Cross and School events.

The recent HCA Art & Design Symposium was fairly well attended but mostly by our own families. We'd like to market it more outside of HCA; possibly combine with another event such as our band concert. We may also want to consider another day and time and an alternative location (i.e. St. Thomas or Central Catholic).

Enrollment update for next school year – 325 students enrolled in the Facts system; Mrs. Hale showing higher count in Option C. Mrs. Hale to research. 337 is the first tier goal for a rebate.

Talent Show & 3rd Grade Wax Museum coming up on Friday, April 20th – parent suggestion to improve lighting and sound system

Mrs. Wellman & Mrs. Culler are both retiring; will be posting jobs mid-April

Bricks for Kidz – summer Lego camp to be held in June at St. Paul's.

Lenna's lady bugs service project today (April 10th) with Sts. Philip & James school students

Officer Reports

President – Tricia Dever

Home & School Association Finances were reviewed in Alan Michel's (H&S Treasurer) absence

A request for Church funding will be made for the following items:

- Kindergarten windows
- New classroom doors to be compliant with new safety equipment
- New blinds in A & B building
- Additional school security equipment (vestibule doors, PA system and preschool cameras estimated at \$7k-\$10k)

Final quotes are being received for various projects in the A and B Buildings (our primary project using 2017 auction proceeds). The amount of funding will be dependent upon several security projects that are also being researched.

Vice-President – Courtney Dietrich

Quotes have been obtained for classroom chairs. \$13,800 was raised at the 2017 auction (Fund the Cause). The needs of each teacher are being evaluated and a report next month will include what classrooms will be receiving chairs this year. Additional funds will need to be raised for the remainder of the chairs.

Past President – Amy Ascani – no report

Treasurer – Alan Michael – absent/no report (Tricia Dever reviewed finances)

Volunteer Chairs – Stacy Nunziato (absent) and Leyla Renner

Leyla reviewed the remaining events for the year; all seem to be covered by volunteers. **If interested in helping out, let them know.**

Nominations Chair – Stacy Bopp

If anyone is interested in joining the Home & School Board next year, let her know. Voting in May.

Old Business

Mentor Picnic – Katy Pitcher coordinates this event; looking to plan for August 7th or 8th. Katy will reach out to request mentor families. We may also plan a get together for new families in May.

Spartan Spirit Night – Tentatively scheduled for August 15th; a parent suggested we provide families with a “what to expect in each grade” handout. **If anyone is interested in designing this handout with the classroom teachers’ input, please contact Tricia Dever.**

Auction Committee Chairpersons – Looking for parents to join and chair sub committees. Many jobs available – big and small. Much of the communication is done via text/calls so minimal meetings. **Please consider helping with our single most important fundraising effort.**

Hot Lunch equipment request – Tricia Dever should have more information by May 1st after next Finance Council meeting. Spending of the auction proceeds will be finalized soon.

Teacher Appreciation Week – planning underway for the week of May 7th. Thank you, Stacey Giammarco, for chairing this committee!

Bolo sticks – awaiting feedback from meeting that Detective Manse had with the Fire Department & Building Departments recently.

100th Anniversary of St. Paul School is 9/8/19 (mentioned as a reminder)

New Business - none

With no further business, Stacy Bopp made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09pm; Amy Ascani seconded (all in favor).

Next H&S General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, May 16th at 7pm in the School Library