

# **Queen of the Rosary Parents Club Meeting**

## **Wednesday, February 6, 2019**

- A. Opening Prayer/Reflection:** Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Dana Arciniegas, PC President, followed by an opening prayer led by Debbie Strohm.

**Attendance:** Annie Albrecht, Dana Arciniegas, Curt Bogosh, Rita Gura, Dana Kelly, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. Petric, Erin Sloan-Beesley, Debbie Strohm, Shelli Villagomez, Toni Wierig

**B. Welcome and Introductions**

**C. President's Report (Dana Arciniegas):**

1. Ladies Night Out
  - i. Event cancelled due to weather and low participation.
  - ii. May look into rescheduling the event. Discussion over whether this should be couples or a ladies only event.
2. Art Appreciation
  - i. Mrs. Petric reported that this is going well for second grade. Many times the volunteers from 2E will teach the same lesson to 2A.
  - ii. New ideas are still needed for getting more volunteers.
    1. One suggestion was to ask those who do sign up to perhaps stay later and teach another session or two to a different class.
    2. The teachers could also talk about it during their class speeches in addition to including the sign-up forms at the beginning of the school year.
    3. Another suggestion was made to ask art students from Harper College come and volunteer in the classrooms if they go through Virtus training.
3. Catholic Schools Week/Open House
  - i. Parents Club sold gift cards at the booth and sold nearly all gift cards on hand, resulting in a \$60 profit.
    - a. Some ideas were discussed to make the Scrips program more successful.
    - b. A suggestion was made to try turning the program into a subscription, so families could automatically purchase a set amount each month for stores they will automatically shop at anyway (Jewel, Walmart, etc).
    - c. A survey may go out to families to see who would be interested in making a monthly commitment to purchase gift cards through the Scrips program.
  - ii. Cookies for Students
    1. The QR cookies were distributed to the students on January 29; total cost was \$255
  - iii. Teacher gifts
    1. Teacher gifts were given to Mrs. Nagel (10 years), Mr. Labant (20 years), Mrs. Raczka (20 years) and Ms. McGinn (20 years). The gesture was appreciated by all.
4. School Assembly- February 5<sup>th</sup>; chaired by Meghan Dejlitko
  - i. This event was very popular among students and teachers
5. 2019 QR Auction – Parents Club Donation
  - i. Meghan Dejlitko is coordinating the junior high donation and soliciting help for the classroom baskets.

- ii. The junior high donation is \$500. There was talk of separating the collection into two separate gifts and using the money towards a hoverboard, electric bike or drone.
  - iii. Parents Club will donate free fun lunch for a year again and is looking into a basket as well. Some ideas for the basket include Six Flags or zoo tickets, and Pac Man Entertainment. Erin Sloan-Beesley volunteered to coordinate the basket.
  - iv. An idea was brought up to offer sign up/payment for all fun lunches for the year at the beginning of the school year (instead of month by month).
- 6. 2019-2020 Parents Club Board Nominations and Election
  - i. All current board members will be ending their two year terms at the end of this year. If interested, an officer may run for a second term but no more than two consecutive terms allowed for the same executive position.
  - ii. Annie Albrecht has held her position for two two-year terms, so a new treasurer will be needed. Erin Sloan-Beesley has expressed interest in the role.
  - iii. All other board members expressed interest in remaining on the board.
- 7. School Supply offering for 2019-2020 school year
  - i. There is no cost to the Parents Club to set up the toolkits, and no money is earned from the sales.
  - ii. While convenient for some, not many families have been using the program. There was discussion on whether or not to continue this program.

**D. Upcoming Events/Committee Reports (Dana Arciniegas):**

- 1. Junior High Dance – February 8<sup>th</sup> (6-8 grades); event chaired by Lynn Rittle
- 2. Teacher Luncheon – February 13; event chaired by Jennie Podgorski; soups and salads to be on the menu
- 3. Fun Lunch – February 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 4. Mother/Son Event – February 24<sup>th</sup>; chaired by Louise Maxwell. Event to be held at Laser X in Addison
- 5. March Parents Club Meeting – March 13<sup>th</sup>
- 6. Spaghetti Dinner – April 5<sup>th</sup>; event chaired by Peter Kokenes
- 7. Final Junior High End of Year event – April 12<sup>th</sup>; event chaired by Lynn Rittle. Event will likely be sport themed (volleyball was very popular last year).
- 8. Easter Egg Hunt – April 18<sup>th</sup>; event co-chaired by Dana Kelly and Chrissy LaPenna
- 9. Mother/Daughter Event – April 27<sup>th</sup>; event chaired by Toni Wierig and will be a Fashion Show
- 10. Father/Son Event – Looking into April date and activity; chaired by Shelli Villagomez

**E. Vice President's Report (Debbie Strohm):**

- 1. School Board Update
  - i. The School Board thanked the Parents Club for help at the Open House
  - ii. Reminder of the upcoming Gala on March 16 and Craft Beer and Food Truck event on June 2; the event on June 2 will be open to the EGV community
- 2. Booster Club Update
  - i. None

**F. Principal's Report:**

- 1. Ms. McGinn expressed her gratitude to the Parents Club for the teacher appreciation gifts, the Laser Science program and the upcoming teacher luncheon

**G. Treasurer's Report (Annie Albrecht):**

- 1. Current Parent Club balance as of 2/5/19: **\$5,761**
- 2. Recent Expenses: \$572 for book donation from the Book Fair

**H. Recording Secretary's Report (Erin Sloan-Beesley):**

1. The Box Top submissions have been dwindling; a new contest may be offered soon to boost the submissions.

**I. Feedback/Open Discussion/Q&A:**

1. Curt Bogosh inquired about a way of allocating funds from those who help at lunch (if foregoing the pay) to be used in specific ways for the school; ex: gift cards for coaches
2. A survey will go out at the end of the year to solicit feedback on the events sponsored by the Parents Club. The final Parents Club meeting of the year will be focused on what else people would like to see sponsored in the future.

**J. Closing - Debbie Strohm closed the meeting with a prayer, and the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.**