

## Minutes from 2/10/16 Parent Association Meeting

Attendees: Leslie Hertz, Nick Comande, Cara Tullio, Cynde Summers, Bobbie & Matt Schmidt, Jane Clope, Rob May, Amy Bigna

### I. Welcome

The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm with the Opening Prayer.

### II. Review and approval of minutes from 1/13/16 meeting

1. January minutes were not available so the approval of these minutes was postponed until the March meeting.
2. Cynde Summers has accepted the Secretary position since Missy Peterson stepped down due to scheduling conflicts.

### III. Report from School Administration

Principal Betty Hunt discussed the following topics:

1. Accreditation is complete. A detailed report will be forthcoming that lists improvement priorities. Accreditation is good for five years.
2. Mr. Duckworth is forming a student group to narrow the definition of the uniform policy in writing where it lacks clarity. There was some discussion about the ambiguity of the policy on special dress down days and frustration that students were missing class time due to some teacher's interpretation of the uniform code.
3. The activities calendar is being updated. Parents requested that play practice and sports practice times be added. Jane Clope mentioned that the football team uses google calendar so Betty Hunt will see if this can be replicated with other activities and sports.

### IV. Report from the Executive Committee:

No updates at this time.

### V. Old Business

1. Work Hours for sports families: Missy Peterson not present to comment
2. Athletic/Activities Subcommittee: There continues to be parental concerns and confusion about athletic policies and traditions. There will be a high school and middle school subcommittee to see how parents can assist further with various athletic events in the particular sports. Nancy Van Dis sent out a football report to the parent committee.
3. Winter Formal/WF Week: Raechel Bartel and John Johnson worked with the student council to determine the theme and week of events. Mr. St. Cat's was moved to spring with date TBD.
4. Catholic Schools Week: Student feedback was mediocre, activities were flat and the pancake breakfast was store bought. Parents offered to run the breakfast next year and help with the activities to make the week more meaningful and memorable.

## VI. New Business

1. Spring Parent Teacher Conferences: 6 hours are allotted in the fall and only 3 in the spring. Does more time need to be added for the spring conferences? Some parents commented they were unable to see every teacher.
2. Prom: Raechel Bartel and John Johnson are handling the food and decorations. Senior parents helped with set up in the cafeteria last year.
3. Graduation Activities: Seating at Siena Center needs to be addressed for the baccalaureate mass.
4. Formal calendar of events for MS and HS:
  - a. End May/early June – uniform sale
  - b. End of July/early August – new student picnic & parent social (one for MS & one for HS)
  - c. August - Angel prep day & walk through
  - d. September – back to school night
  - e. October – Homecoming, parent teacher conferences, open house, SOLES walk
  - f. November – Basketball dates, 5<sup>th</sup> quarter dance, fall play
  - g. January -uniform sale, Catholic Schools Week
  - h. February – winter formal
  - i. March – parent teacher conferences, musical
  - j. April – BWB,
  - k. May – Prom, graduation – MS & HS, awards night, talent show
  - l. June – uniform sale
  - m. Other – placement tests social, retreats
5. MS Update: There's a MS cheer competition being held on 3/19.

## VII. Other Business

1. Week with a Purpose scheduled for 4/23-29
2. Used uniform sale to be held the last week of May or early June.
3. What's happened to peer to peer mentoring?
4. Family handbook
5. Directory

## VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM with next meeting scheduled for 3/9/16

Respectfully submitted by Cynde Summers