

St. Mary's Academy Parent Guild
Minutes Feb 5, 2013

Present:

Elaine Mordoch	Leslie Finch	Fran Mulhall	Kathleen Reid
Sharon Godenir	Shelley Henn	Sister Susan Wikeem	Susan Yurkiw
Janice Beveridge	Jackie MacFarlane	Joy Pagtakhan	Deneen Klippenstein
Neena Oberoi	Shauna Mallory	Kevin Sneesby	Christie Dejong
Sandra Bellingham	Lorraine Kuzyk	Liz MacCharles	Lois Bosc
Daisy Villegas	Lorraine Koltek	Janet Cheveldayoff	
Cara Van de Mosselaer	Angela Wandering Spirit		

- Regrets Gwen Taylor, Bonnie Cadieux
- Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.
- Sr. Susan said a prayer to bless and open our meeting

Motion to accept Dec 4/12 minutes – Janice Beveridge, second Lorraine Kuzyk, all in favor
No business from previous minutes

President's Report

- Pam Knysh will be sending out a survey to parents asking for suggestions on how to spend Guild discretionary funds; Executive will compile a list for the Guild to vote
- A dinner and meeting facilitated by Yutta Fricke will be held on Feb 27th to discuss International Day; email Jackie MacFarlane (larryandjackie@shaw.ca) to RSVP – all parents are welcome to attend

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer presented Financial position as at Jan 31, 2013 - General Account \$41,043.83 plus Lottery Account \$11,919.47 leaves a balance of \$52,963.30

Motion to accept Treasurer's report – Liz MacCharles, second Shauna Mallory, all in favor

Corner Store

- Grad orders (hoodies/sweaters) are in; new items for spring include shorts, backpacks and crew neck t-shirts

Uniform Shop

- All running smoothly; ordering and restocking for spring sale on Apr 29th and gearing up for May uniform sale

Hospitality

- Recent open house was successful (approx. 500 in attendance)
- Next events are Teacher Appreciation luncheon, May Carnival to welcome new students/parents and Graduation

Guild/Board Liaison

- Leslie advised there has been no meeting, therefore no report to provide

Director's Report

- Second term has started; report cards next week followed by parent/student conferences
- Feedback provided to Sr. Susan regarding mid-year assessments and flex days - the new format results in less stress for students and teachers
- Shrove Tuesday pancake breakfast Feb 12th runs from 7:45 to 8:30 – tickets \$2 required in advance - Ash Wednesday service in the gym
- Upcoming events where parent involvement is requested:
 - Female Sport Challenge Feb 21 – 24 at MTS Iceplex
 - Marian Awards May 11 at Manitoba Club recognizes SMA Alumnae – 2013 recipients Janine Hanson and Dr. Leisha Strachan
- SMA continues to work toward initiatives included in the 2011 Strategic Plan:
 - Educational events for parents
 - Technology Plan staff development
 - Student survey from last spring on cafeteria food
- Construction is one month behind but on budget; target completion is first week in March
- April – Anne of Green Gables play and SMA Choir concert

No report provided by Bingo Coordinator, International Day Convener or Volunteer Coordinator
Motion to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. – Kathleen Reid

Rest of the meeting included a presentation by Dr. Margo Lane: *Social, Emotional and Behaviourial Development of Adolescent Girls*

Jackie MacFarlane, Secretary
SMA Parent Guild Executive