

St Mary's Academy Parent Guild Meeting  
May 05, 2015, 6:30 pm  
Durocher Library

---

Meeting called to order: 6:30 pm (shortened meeting due to speaker at 7:30)

**New business addition** – Georgine Gaudes requested to speak regarding Doors Open Winnipeg

**Nomination Committee**

Met on March 23, 2015 to discuss possible candidates for executive positions of treasurer, volunteer coordinator and secretary. Candidates to be presented: Pam Knysh Christa Giesbrecht, Kelly Moon.

**Kristi Cumming, Parent Guild President**

There will be a speaker at 7:30 pm this evening following brief parent guild meeting. There will be no verbal committee reports. There will be a school president report and treasurer report.

**Connie Yunyk, School President**

Joanne Steeves to be religion leader replacing Ms Garlinski for one year.

Two teachers going on mat leave Ms David and Ms Davey. Ms Beauchamp is doing all drama. Ms Dyck Lyons returning as resource teacher.

Admissions process has been completed. We are at 100 % capacity. There were no grade 12 applications; this level full anyway. About 585 students make up total student body. Girls are looking forward to next month as they wind down. Grade 12's starting graduation celebrations on May 28<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, mass and brunch. Going to Vic Inn for brunch, following week is award assembly, alumni induction, mass, dinner and dance at convention centre. Elegant convocation. June exams.

Carnival May 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Susan Yurkiw, Treasurer**

April bank balance \$ 45000.

Lottery bank balance \$ 6500

Items on wishlist purchased, \$3800 to go forward lottery proceeds disbursed for year.

**Report Template for Committees (attached)**

Template created by Candace and Kristi for committees to uniformly report details of committee activity for each parent guild meeting.

**Pam Knysh, Volunteer Coordinator**

Revised, concise on-line volunteer registry was launched early March to coincide with the re-registration of St Mary's existing population.

New registry has 33 families registered (20 families returning / 13 new). Last year's data base had 200 families registered.

Recommend additional reminders to be sent for sign up...eblast and newsletter would be good options.

Requesting volunteers to attend uniform sale. 5 to 8 may 27 and 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Volunteer Appreciation Evening**

June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 400 to 630 come and go wine and snacks. School would like to say thank to volunteers.

### **Georgine's Report – Development office**

Thank you for supporting **Marian Awards**, this year honoring grads Gwen Buccini, taught at Holy Cross school, tabs for wheelchairs, head girl in 67. Carol Hryniuk- Adamov, world renowned literacy specialist. Women who embody the spirit of St Mary's.

**Doors Open**, May 31, noon to 5, tour SMA sister Susan giving tours 1 to 3 pm. Expecting 250 to 300. Looking for volunteers for two hour spots. Students in uniform around school need 30 to 40 people. Pam to reach out to hospitality crew.

### **Kristi Cumming, President**

Thank you to all volunteers for their efforts this past school year

Volunteer appreciation will be Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 4-6:30 pm. No formal business meeting that evening. Several guild sponsored events over the next few weeks: Staff appreciation, carnival, new student uniform sale, volunteer appreciation, convocation

September 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 pm – Guild Meeting and AGM

### **Bingo Committee**

Difficulty securing volunteers for bingos. Bingo commitment provides significant fundraising annually of \$ 17,000. Committee requires change, enhanced procedure for volunteer commitment, perhaps getting backups for volunteers, and scheduling volunteers for specific evenings / setting schedule and include committed back up volunteers in case the primary scheduled volunteer needs to cancel attendance at bingo evening on short notice.

### **Hospitality Report:**

The next few weeks will be very busy for Hospitality. Here is a list of events:

May 19 Staff appreciation  
May 27 & 28 New student uniform sale  
May 26 Carnival  
June 2 Volunteer appreciation  
June 26 Convocation

Meeting adjourns 7:30 pm.