

St Mary's Academy AGM Parent Guild Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2015

Present: Kristi Cumming, Candace Partyka, Pam Knysh, Connie Yunyk, Kelly Moon, Christa Giesbrecht, Kathy Degan, Georgine Gaudes, Roger Morcilla, Barb Adamkowicz, Will Hall, Eileen Eng, Mary Fustey, Susan Chyzzy, Lidia Erikson, Jacquie Rados, Shannon Roberts, Claudia Davies, Lucia Moon, Carmela Buccini, Lorraine Koltek, Shauna Mallory

- 1) Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Kristi Cumming, Parent Guild President
- 2) Opening prayer by Connie Yunyk
- 3) Approval of previous AGM Minutes – September 9, 2014
Motion to accept AGM minutes by Candace Partyka and seconded by Lorraine Koltek
- 4) **President's Report** – Kristi Cumming
 - The Guild raised \$38,913.00 for the 2014-2015 school year. The funds were used for a variety of annual commitments which included student agendas, student education enrichment activities, bursary fund, Academic Scholarship and School Citizen award to a graduating student, a gift for each graduate, and hospitality and catering for the staff luncheon, annual open house and carnival refreshments for the parents.
 - The Guild also funded a variety of special projects some of which included live streaming equipment, installation of reverse osmosis fountain, Van de Graff generator for the science department, physical education equipment, home economics washer and dryer, a variety of field trips, microwaves for the cafeteria and counselling room chairs
 - Volunteers: All volunteers must now sign up every year on-line to ensure lists are kept current.
 - Reporting template was created to streamline reports from individual committees
 - Bingo: SMA has 20 bingos per year to volunteer at which provides us with approximately \$17,000 in funds. 2 volunteers required /bingo. Challenging at times to get volunteers.
 - Corner Store: New overhead sign installed. Tartan letters for the outside corner store door have been purchased and will be installed this week.
 - Hospitality: some small purchases made to add to Guild stock (platters, glass bowls, and table linens). Guild executive and hospitality committee hosted a refreshment/information table during the new student uniform sale. Due to the success of this event, the Guild will continue to host refreshments at the new student uniform sale rather than the carnival going forward.
 - International Day/ International Day Raffle: Total of 9 pavillions were hosted. Some new ideas tried included class themed rainbow auction prizes, and movement of art auction to the atrium. Very positive raffle ticket sales. International Day raised \$27,353.
 - Tartan Shop: Pop up change rooms were purchased and the uniform sales were moved to the atrium
 - Education Programming for Parent Community: 2 speakers were brought in to present following a parent guild meeting. Topics were study skills and Navigating Mental Health Issues in Families

- Sister Susan's Bench: Plaque was installed on bench in time for school carnival and grade 12 parent/daughter mass in May

Treasurer's Report – Pam Knysh

Pam Knysh presented the financials from the period ending June 2015.

Report of Results of Election of Officers

Parent Guild Executive for 2015/2016

President – Kristi Cumming

Vice President – Candace Partyka

Second Vice President/ Volunteer Coordinator – Christa Giesbrecht

Treasurer - Pam Knysh

Secretary – Kelly Moon

St Mary's Academy President/Advisor to Parent Guild Executive – Connie Yunyk

Meeting adjourned at 7:46