



St. Columbkille Home & School Association

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September 11, 2018 H.S.A. Meeting Minutes

Diane Ferro called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with an opening prayer. Members introduced themselves and described their roles.

Diane discussed several recent H.S.A. events, including: Welcome Back Picnic, Papio Fun Day, and Restaurant Nights. Teacher Dinners will be served during conferences; Sarah Yarpe will coordinate. Any questions, suggestions, comments, please talk to any board member.

Diane discussed upcoming events, including: Crusader Walk and Turkey Bingo.

Diane shared about the Mentoring Program for New Families.

Jennifer Wright gave the treasurer's report. The balance is approximately \$79, 500. We have \$30,000 earmarked toward security system upgrades.

Amanda Jensen provided a Stewardship update. There were 75 attendees at Papio Fun Park. Upcoming restaurant nights will be held at Texas Roadhouse and Schlotzsky's. Amanda reviewed the Shoparoo app and how St. Columbkille will benefit from it and encouraged attendees to send in Hy-Vee receipts and box tops.

The Principal's Report was presented by Mrs. Redburn. Mrs. Redburn said the school has changed scheduling for Parent-Teacher conferences. Conferences are now scheduled online and will be held on just one day, November 1, 2018. St. Columbkille will be going through the Advanced-Ed accreditation process this year and will be installing a new security system. The school is hosting a presentation about bullying on September 27 at 6:30 pm in the school gym. 'Respect' completed a student presentation in 2017 and have returned to present for parents.

Joan Woodard discussed the Crusader Walk, the school's biggest fundraising event. She encouraged parents to familiarize themselves with the prize levels and dress down days. Students prepare letters this week, requesting financial donations of family and friends. We have over 2,000 labels submitted, so we'll send out over 2,000 letters. The goal for 2018 is \$50,000. Mrs. Loeffler's class turned in the most labels of any classroom and her class will

receive a donut party. The actual walk will be held Friday, October 12th. Parent sign-up is available to assist with corralling kids, popping popcorn, and other activities. Please contact Joan Woodard if you would like to assist. If we reach the \$50,000 goal, the kids will get a day off school (the Monday after Thanksgiving). We are also looking for someone to take over the Crusader Walk. Anyone interested should contact Diane Ferro or Joan Woodard.

Mary Pechar from ReRuns are Fun was in attendance and talked about ReRunsRFun.org. ReRuns is a 100% non-profit organization. For every 50 hours that our parents volunteer, Reruns gives \$500 back to the school. Information regarding volunteer opportunities, including dates and times available is located in the Thursday envelope. If interested, please contact Mary Pechar at Mary@Rerunsrfun.org.

Jackie Wozniak discussed CARE Cards. Someone from the CARE team will be at all H.S.A. meetings to sell CARD cards for the various restaurant nights, which will further benefit the school. Send in your CARE Card request forms in your child's folder, and the cards will be sent home to you.

Spirit Day coupons are here for all who attend the H.S.A. meetings.

Katie Core from Art Reach encouraged meeting attendees to sign up to volunteer, and the schedule will be in the Thursday envelope.

Joe Smithberg from FYIMI shared information about their non-profit, which awards scholarships to St. Columbkille eighth graders. Their Trivia Night is scheduled for October 19th in the social level.

Phil LaSalle, Director of Pastoral Services for St. Columbkille Parish, spoke about the upcoming Parish Mission.

The next H.S.A. meeting will be November 13th, at 6:30 p.m., which will be a Wine & Cheese Social. We hope everyone can join us.

Diane closed the meeting with a prayer.