



St. Columbkille Home & School Association

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September 12, 2017 H.S.A. Meeting Minutes

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

Kelli discussed several recent H.S.A. events, including: Welcome Back Picnic, Boo Hoo Yahoo Breakfast, 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.

Dave Moline gave the treasurer's report. The balance is approximately \$43,000. We have \$10,000 earmarked towards text books, and \$5,000 earmarked for the future playground fund. That leaves approximately \$28,000. Last year we had approximately \$25,000 at this time.

Diane Ferro discussed the H.S.A. bylaws. Diane recently updated the bylaws in coordination with the executive board. Diane explained the bylaws. Everyone – parents, teachers, have a vote. Everyone is required to pay the activity dues, then you are a voting member. By-laws will be posted on the website once they're approved. Diane asked for questions on the bylaws and there were none. A vote was taken to pass the bylaws and the vote was a unanimous "yes." The bylaws were passed.

Chris Williams talked about Stewardship. Last year's restaurant nights earned just over \$2,000. The recent Dairy Queen night netted \$150. Texas Roadhouse is coming up next Monday September 18th, with 10% going back to the school. HyVee receipts started again on September 1 through December 31. The school receives \$1 back for every \$200 spent. Boxtops are also being collected. Campbell Soup labels collection has been discontinued. We are starting a new program called "Together a Greater Good" (TAGG) ... a phone application. You simply scan a receipt of a participating vendor, click the name of our school, and a donation goes to the school. Look for the TAGG (green) sign on the door of businesses, restaurants etc. Examples include Papio Bowl, Papio Fun Park, and many others.

Joan Woodard discussed the Crusader Walk, the school's biggest fundraising event. 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. We raised the goal from \$40,000 to \$45,000 this year. Mrs. English's class turned in 254 labels, the most of any classroom. The actual walk will be Friday October 13th. 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 \$45,000 goal, the kids will get a day off school (the Monday after Thanksgiving).

The Principal's Report was presented by Mrs. Redburn. Mrs. Redburn said the school Spanish teacher recently resigned, and Mrs. Reeder, who is a certified Spanish instructor, will take over as the part-time

Spanish teacher. Dr Michael Ashton, superintendent of the Archdiocese schools, visited the school yesterday. It was an informal visit. Dr Ashton received a tour of the school by two eighth graders. Mrs. Redburn explained that the superintendent's office in the Catholic School system is a different role than the public school system. Dr. Ashton is open to talking with anyone. If you have ideas on what the superintendent can do for the school, you are welcome to contact Dr. Ashton. St Columbkille will be featured on the Archdiocese of Omaha's Facebook page.

Mrs. Redburn discussed the change in stewardship reporting. Volgistics has gone away and we are now using paper forms to report stewardship hours and Sign Up Genius to sign up for stewardship events. On the school website, there is a link to "Stewardship Opportunities." The link does not currently work, but it will in the near future. Check back for updates. Mrs. Redburn described examples of how you can get stewardship hours.

Grandparents Day Mass will be at the end of this month. Watch for information in the Thursday envelope. This mass will feature a special blessing for grandparents. This will be held during your student's regular Tuesday or Wednesday weekly mass.

Tammi Bosiljevac 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. The school coordinator is Susie Nelson. This information including days and times and is available in the Thursday envelope. There are some changes coming in ReRuns. There is a new phone application that will come out in the spring. ReRuns public sales starts October 2nd, and runs through October 8th. ReRuns has opportunities for volunteers. If interested, please contact Mary Pechar at Mary@Rerunsrfun.org or Susie Nelson at susiek0@hotmail.com

Kelli described the school directory. This is the final year for the paper copy of the directory. We ask parents to go to the website sent out by Mrs. Redburn to update your information. The on-line directory will provide users an option to print out the directory.

Diane discussed the H.S.A. Shutterfly website. This site has photos from the H.S.A. Welcome Picnic, the Boo Hoo Yahoo Breakfast, and other recent H.S.A. events.

Jackie Wozniak discussed CARE Cards. Jackie will be at all/most H.S.A. meetings, and someone will be available 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.

Mrs. Monico talked about Barton Tutors. We have four tutor volunteers, beginning September 28th. We are looking for more volunteers on hand. If you have any time to volunteer, it is very rewarding. If interested, please contact Kathy Monico at kmonico@saintcolumbkilleschool.org

Kelli announced that classroom funds checks will be presented to the teachers. Mrs. Redburn handed out the classroom funds checks to all the teachers.

The next H.S.A. meeting will be November 14th, which will be a Wine & Cheese Social. We hope everyone can join us. Kelli closed the meeting with a prayer.