



St. Columbkille Home & School Association

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November 13, 2018 H.S.A. Meeting Minutes

Diane Ferro called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with an opening prayer.

Diane discussed several recent H.S.A. events, including (i) thanking everyone who helped with Turkey Bingo, (ii) thanking everyone who volunteered at the fall ReRuns sale, and (iii) thanking Sarah Yarpe for coordinating food for the faculty during Parent Teacher Conferences. Diane informed meeting attendees that the collection for Christmas Staff Gifts will be coming soon.

Joan Woodard provided an update for the Crusader Walk. The \$50,000 goal was reached and the Monday after Thanksgiving will be a day off of school for students and staff. This week, students are celebrating all of the Crusader Walk successes by dressing up every day (Pirate Day, Jersey Day, etc.). Joan thanked everyone who helped with the Crusader Walk. Diane thanked Joan for coordinating the Crusader Walk for the past seven years and let everyone know that Susanne Draper will be the Crusader Walk Chair for the 2019-2020 school year.

Jennifer Wright gave the Treasurer's report. The account balance is approximately \$78,000. \$32,000 went to security system updates, \$12,000 has been allocated to teachers/staff to attend an out-of-state conference. The HSA made \$2,741 at Turkey Bingo and the HAS will donate \$1,500 to the Thanksgiving Meal Ministry.

Amanda Jensen provided a Stewardship update. Restaurant nights are going well. Jimmy Johns is scheduled for December 5 and Creation Station will be held over Christmas break. Amanda shared about the Shoparoo application. If receipts are scanned, St. Columbkille can earn money and we will soon have a class incentive to get more people involved. Amanda encouraged everyone to continue to send in their box tops.

The Principal's Report was presented by Mrs. Redburn. Mrs. Redburn mentioned the parent calendar on the school website, which has all activities mapped out for the entire school year (HSA meetings, restaurant nights, music programs, graduation, etc.). The new facility is in the works and they will break ground after the last day of school. The administration will work hard to communicate the status of the construction to parents. Mrs. Redburn thanked everyone who supported the capital campaign. Terra Nova results are in for third through eighth grade students. Mrs. Redburn will present a summary of the results at the next HSA meeting. Mrs. Redburn discussed the open position for a permanent P.E. teacher (Mrs. Rainbolt will fill in for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year). Mrs. Redburn also thanked everyone who donated supplies for the new Science program via the Amazon wish list. There was 91% attendance at parent-teacher conferences, which is approximately the same attendance we've had in prior years when parent-teacher conferences were offered over the course of two days. Advanced Ed

accreditation results will be presented in April. Mrs. Redburn shared with meeting attendees, information about two upcoming Archdiocesan events: Love or Lust at St. Wenceslaus on November 26 at 7:15 p.m. and ArchOmaha Unite on June 6, 2019. Mrs. Redburn encouraged everyone to attend these events.

Janice Townsend presented about Family Literacy Night with Katie Klise. It is scheduled for December 4th in the Library and the event will start at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Townsend encouraged parents and students to attend, and all ages are welcome.

Diane presented about Ceili and introduced Michelle Kenney. Michelle and her husband, Pete, will take over as Ceili chairs for 2020. Diane also introduced Chris and Darleene Evitch, who are honorary chairs for the 2019 Ceili. Courtney Sullivan, Ceili Event Chair, presented about what they will need help with for the Ceili and encouraged people to help with set up on the day of clean up help the day after. David Woodard, the Ceili's Technology Chair introduced himself and described what his team is responsible for. Angie Eidem, Promotions Co-Chair, asked for donations of airline miles. Darleene Evitch spoke and shared about their history with the Ceili and as parents of a former St. Columbkille student and parishioners at St. Columbkille and she reiterated that all funds raised at Ceili go back to our parish. Diane encouraged anyone interested in serving as adult stewards at the Ceili to sign up to work the evening of the event. Finally, Diane mentioned that all classes create Ceili projects that are part of the Silent Auction.

Sarah Yarpe spoke on behalf of St. Columbkille Athletics. She shared about all the athletic programs that are offered. Sarah shared about intramural basketball and informed attendees that sign-ups have started. Soccer sign-ups will begin in December and the Athletics bowling fundraiser is scheduled for January 18th. If you need more information about Athletics, please look in the bulletin, the Thursday envelope and the Athletics website. There are two additional Athletic fundraisers: a golf outing and 3x3 soccer tournament, both of which are held in August. Athletic Committee meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 8:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome to attend those meetings.

Diane encouraged everyone to purchase CARE cards and turn in their Hy-Vee receipts.

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

The next H.S.A. meeting will be January 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the gym.