



## Student Family Organization (SFO)



Saint Mary Catholic Schools strives for a united community of academic excellence and stewardship by embracing the Gospel and carrying the light of Christ.

### Minutes ~ Wednesday, November 18th, 2009 at 7 PM Location: Jabberwok Coffeehouse

All regular meetings of the SFO general membership shall be conducted as follows:

#### **1. Opening prayer**

#### **2. Members present: Amanda Geraets, Rachel Penning, Amy Geraets, Jeannine Park, Joann Beck, Renae Klein, Lisa Saude**

#### **3. Unfinished business**

- a. Back to School [Get rolling in January or February-If we refer schools and they purchase the boxes, we get a %.](#)
  - i. Tool Box
  - ii. If we order them by a certain date, we receive more of a profit: January 4%, February 3%, March 2%.
  - iii. We can just reorder tangible items; they will have those prices listed separately on the order form.
  - iv. We received good feedback from the teachers who had students purchase them.
  - v. We need to get the supply lists from teachers earlier if we want to receive more profit.
  - vi. Game Plan?
- b. Fall Teacher Appreciation ~ November 23 in the DTL Room @ 8 am
  - i. Discuss the possibility of hosting the staff Thanksgiving Breakfast
    1. We will work with the Social Committee at the school to assist with this planned event.
  - ii. We will supply the food and the school activities committee will decorate and serve the food.
    1. Dondi Ahlersfruit basket
    - apples Rachel Penning - 1 bag
    - oranges Jacque Brown
    - kiwi/grapefruit Angie Brown
    - bananas Renae Klein2 coffee cakes
    1. Amy Gereats
    2. Suzanne Pica3 egg bakes
    1. Lisa Saude
    2. Sheri Wolles
    3. JoAnn Becksilverware/plates/cups/napkins for 35 people
  - iii.
    1. JoAnn Winberg

- c. SFO Newsletter
    - i. Check on Family Spotlight status
      - 1. Please help think of our next FAMILY and LEGACY LEADER to ask for the November time frame edition of the Newsletter. We have electronic versions of the forms and all items can be completed via email.
        - a. November Issue:
          - i. Family Spotlight – Joe & Maria Eining (Jenn Reecy);
          - ii. Legacy Leader – Marie Roeman (Christy Roeman)
        - b. February Issue:
          - i. Family Spotlight – Monte & LeAnn Kerzman (Jenn Reecy);
          - ii. Legacy Leader – Jerry & Judi Klein (Amanda Geraets)
        - c. May Issue:
          - i. Family Spotlight – Keith & Jody Eining (Jenn Reecy)
          - ii. Legacy Leader – Rosalie & Dick Gannon (\_\_\_\_\_)
          - iii.
      - 2. Jenn will work up the Issues when all articles have arrived.
- d. Ways to gets others, new parents involved in the SFO.
  - i. Membership Drive
    - 1. We have received a few new families! YEAH!
  - ii. Continual 'blurbs' in the Tidbits.
  - iii. REDISCUSS - Call the new families within then school to get out awareness. [Send invitations to January meeting. Amanda Geraets will do.](#)
    - a. Volunteer?
    - b. Contact Rectory Office to get a list of names.

#### 4. New business

- a. Playground Status
  - i. **Fundraiser Chairs [Thanks to Dan & Shelli Klein for stepping up to assist](#)**  
Amanda and Jeff Geraets are willing to help on the Fundraising committee as she is working with Millerdale Colony for a quote on a playground system built by them.
  - ii. We would like to see if the Booster Club, Catholic Daughters, and/or Catholic Order of Foresters would be willing to help with our fundraising efforts.
  - iii. Jenn will send out an email to those groups once we are more organized in our direction.
  - iv. Fundraiser Committee Members from the SFO: - Thank You!
  - v. **NEEDED: Will someone** from this group be willing to Co-Chair with Jeff & Amanda?  
– In partnership to work specifically with Mrs. Neill in formulating 'do-able' fundraising ideas. SFO will participate, but we need another Co-'Chair' to lead the efforts.

Heinitz Family  
 Winberg Family  
 Danny & Shelly Klein Family  
 Jeff & Amanda Geraets Family  
 Jason & Jacque Brown Family  
 Dondi Ahlers & Family

- b. "Tis A Month Before Christmas" [we are ready, we think. Next year try to do more advertising on TV stations \(community calendars on KSFY, KDLT, FOX, KELO, etc\)](#)
  - i. SFO hosting a combined event of all interested vendors to come to St. Mary Hall for a pre-Christmas event.
    - 1. Chairs: Rachel Penning, Jennifer Reusink, Amanda Geraets, Lisa Saude
      - a. Date: November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 (Saturday)
      - b. Time: 9-2 pm
      - c. Lunch-stand to profit from [keep track of sales so know what to prepare for next year](#)

d. Marketing ~ Fliers around town; Ad in the Tribune

e. Cost - \$25.00/booth

2. Vendor Commitments- [have 18 yes vendors!!!](#)

Making posters for roads, concessions stand, tickets for people to sign up for door prizes (keep track of our attendance this way)

Need extension cords, tables, chairs, map of gym (vendors listed)

- c. Elementary Christmas Program [December 4th](#)
  - i. Cookies & Juice/Coffee
    - 1. Co-Chairs: Joann Beck & Jeannine Park
  - ii. Art Display
    - 1. Jennifer Reusink visited with the Art Teacher, Mrs. Ahrens. Yes, she will have displays of artwork from the students.
- d. Sock Hop during CSW – DATES January 31-[February 6<sup>th</sup>](#) 2010
  - i. “Dividends for life” is the theme for Catholic Schools Week. –focusing on faith, knowledge, discipline and morals.
  - ii. Visit with Committee formed within the School
    - 1. Cami Fitzgerald is working with us...yes, SFO will take responsibility for the supervision of the dance, prizes, contests, and a fundraiser of selling Hot Dogs, & BBQs, etc. as well as concessions.
  - iii. Sock Hop Theme & Decorations Chair & Committee Needed: (put up and tear down, clean up)
    - 1. Volunteers? [Rena Klein](#)
  - iv. Sock Hop Meal & Concession Stand Chair Amy Geraets (thanks Amy!)
    - 1. Other Volunteers?
    - 2. We can use the items from the concession stand and just replace.
    - 3. Meal price will be \$4.
      - a. Meal Includes:
  - v. Sock Hop Dance Contests, Prizes, etc. Chair & Committee Needed
    - 1. Volunteers? [Amanda Geraets](#)
    - 2. Sock Hop Royalty?
    - 3. Games (2-3 to break up the dance a bit)?
    - 4. Simple Prizes?
  - vi. Publishing & Marketing (signs, announcements, etc. of serving supper meal) Chair & Committee Needed
    - 1. Volunteers?
- e. Carnival
  - i. Donation Thoughts?
  - ii. Saude family has agreed to ‘Chair’ this! Thank you!
- f. Elementary Spring Program
  - i. Cookies & Juice/Coffee
    - 1. Co-Chairs: Joann Beck & Jeannine Park
  - ii. Art Display
    - 1. Jennifer Reusink visited with the Art Teacher, Mrs. Ahrens. Yes, she will have displays of artwork from the students.
- g. Upcoming 100 Year Reunion ~ August 14/15, 2010-[discuss at January meeting](#)
  - i. Ideas in participating
    - 1. Fundraiser Ideas
      - a. Dell Rapids Picnic & Pool Family Fun Night
        - i. Chair? Committee Members to support?
      - b. 5K Run/Walk
        - i. Co-Chairs: Jennifer Reusink and Rachel Penning
        - ii. Committee Members?

- h. Approve Calendar for SFO
    - i. Note that some meetings may be conducted via email.
    - ii. August 12<sup>th</sup> via email
    - iii. August 17<sup>th</sup> – BTS Night Membership Awareness – Table & Speaker to Brief
    - iv. September 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm – Mr. DeJong’s Office – 6 pm
    - v. October 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6 pm – Mr. DeJong’s Office – 6 pm
    - vi. November 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm – Jabberwock -
    - vii. December 16<sup>th</sup> <sup>via</sup> [email](#)
    - viii. January 20<sup>th</sup>
    - ix. February 17<sup>th</sup>
    - x. March 17<sup>th</sup>
    - xi. April 21<sup>st</sup>
  
  - i. Suggest Events
    - i. Other Activities throughout the year?
    - ii. Other Fundraisers to look into?
      - 1. Bake Potato Feed [discuss at January meeting](#)
        - a. Prior to a Boys or Girls Basketball Game
        - b. Chair Volunteer?
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- j. Other?
  - i. Homecoming Float
    - 1. Begin to think about a float for next year 2010-2011 School Year
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- k. Officer Election
  - i. President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary
    - 1. Michael and Jennifer Reecy and Lucas and Rachel Penning will be Co-presidents for the 2009 – 2010 school year.
    - 2. Treasurer: Christy Roemen
    - 3. Secretary Office – Amanda Geraets
    - 4. School Representative – Jennifer Reusink

**5. Treasurers Report**

- a. October -

**6. Adjournment**

**7. Closing prayer**