

SAINT VIATOR PARENTS' CLUB MINUTES OF THE MEETING 12-03-08

Present: Sue Abrahamson, Mary Baur, JoJo Biondi, Jeanne Carney, Lori Cataldo, Eileen Cortese, Jackie Frett, Kay Haubenreiser, Charlene Krawzak, Chris Kushner, Eileen Manno, Sharon McKee, Karen McLoughlin, Patti Menges, MaryKay Morsches, Nancy Murray, Kim O'Grady, Paula Saban, Pam Sammons, Chris Schmidt, Jean Simpson, Teresa Stewart, Cathy Sweeney, Pam Tidaback, Lynette Toussaint, Valerie Wallenberg, Alice Wimberly and Anna Wozniak

THE MEETING:

OPENING PRAYER:

The meeting was brought to order at 7:40pm by Parents' Club Co-President Nancy Murray. She welcomed all and led us in prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Kay Haubenreiser made a motion to approve the November minutes and Cathy Sweeney seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Teresa Stewart reported that there is \$63,261 in the treasury.

534 tickets for the Fashion Show were sold in advance. Tickets were also sold at the door. Pam Tidaback suggested that an extra table be set up at future shows. The Fashion Show brought in \$50,777.62.

Senior Events has \$2,361. The boat deposit of \$3,500 has been made.

The House Walk made \$4,999, slightly less than expected.

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS OFFICER'S REPORT:

Officer Jeff Aiello was not in attendance.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Eileen Manno reported that the Parent Teacher Conferences had the most parents in 10 years. There was one snag. Parents who didn't finalize their schedule showed up with a printed copy of it, but they were not on the lists to see the teachers.

Another Open House is scheduled for this Wednesday December 3rd. WGN ran the wrong ad (Nov instead of Dec) and they will make up for it with extra ads.

Next Wednesday is early dismissal.

The annual student Christmas Mass will be Wednesday December 17th. Parents are welcome to attend.

Last years summer school registration had some problems. There were not enough slots. Some people using certain providers like Comcast couldn't get in. Classes were filled. There was a waiting list. This year will be split over 2 days. Sophomores and Juniors can register the 1st day and the 2nd day will be for incoming freshmen.

There will be 2 new courses next year. A Music History class and an Earth Science class will be added. The ACT does look for some Earth Science.

The entrance exam will be held on January 10th, 2009. There may be an increase in financial aid.

PARENTS' CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Nancy Murray reported that The Parents' Club will have its own logo next year. Lynn Ward is the artist.

Jackie Frett reminded us that it's the season of sharing. The Parents' Club is working with Campus Ministry to help a needy family. An envelope was passed around for donations (for those who didn't contribute last month and wanted to). Volunteers are needed to shop for the family.

Joan Wester Anderson has released her new book, ANGELS and WONDERS. She will donate a portion of her sales from Saint Viator families back to Saint Viator. Order forms were distributed and should be returned to Linda Lopez.

Next meeting will be 1/5/09 at 7:30.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

-HOUSE WALK:

Jean Simpson said they are looking for a chairperson for next year and a date.

-FASHION SHOW:

Carol Sandmeier was not present to report but the Fashion Show brought in over \$50,000. It was a fun afternoon. The Viator on Broadway show was great. Carol did a fantastic job.

-FLORAL SHOW:

Pam Sammons reported. The tickets will be printed "in-house" this year to save some money. Announcements are out and the flyer is ready. BJ's flowers are incredible. And this year we welcome back commentator Brent Leech.

-HOSPITALITY

Another open house is December 3rd. We hope the snow doesn't keep people away.

-CLASS REPS:

Nothing to report from Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior or Senior Reps.

-SENIOR EVENTS:

-SENIOR CELEBRATION

Deni Janus expects to get all the "stuff" in a shopping bag from Terri Bordes.

Deposits are needed for the entertainment. It was reminded that the kids don't know what to expect so there is no need to worry about topping last year.

-POST PROM

Mary Jo Biondi reported that we only received \$148 from the Arlington Heights Francesca's Fundraiser. Barrington may provide a bit more. We will probably do another one. Every little bit helps.

-VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:

Contact Chris Schmidt at kcsj@att.net to volunteer.

-MARKETING/WEB PAGE & LION LINES:

Kay Haubenreiser said that the deadline for February Lion Lines is January 7, 2009.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Cathy Sweeney mentioned that our January pre-meeting speaker will be from Northwest Community Hospital. The topic will be mental anxiety and stress.

In February we will welcome back Tim Smith and his presentation on How To Crash Proof Your Kids.

Teresa Stewart reported that the Saint Viator Symphonic Band will be broadcast on the radio between 5 and 6 am on the Spike O'Dell show on Friday 12/12/08. The kids have to report at 3:00 am.

This Sunday 12/7/08 at 2:00 will be the Winter Arts Festival. Art work will be on display. The bands, chorus, Viatribe and Orchesis will perform.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Eileen Cortest to adjourn and seconded by Pam Tidabach. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen McLoughlin
Recording Secretary