

SAINT VIATOR PARENTS' CLUB MINUTES OF THE MEETING 11/15/11

Present: Sue Abrahamson, Mary Baur, Lori Cataldo, Joan Cooney, Kathy Copley, Eileen Daday, Linda Falotico, Kathleen Guth, April Hanes-Dowd, Diane Jamieson, Sara Kay, Kathy Loy, Eileen Manno, Erin McMahon, Ann Ptacin, Diana Resendez, Janet Southall, Gina Steiner, Kristie St. Pierre, Kathy Sutton, Dawn Thompson, Mary Van Der Bosch

OPENING PRAYER:

At 7:40 pm the meeting was brought to order by Parents' Club Co-President Kathy Loy who led us in a prayer.

THE MEETING:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Janet Southall moved to approve the minutes and Dawn Thompson seconded the motion.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: Tatiana Day

Tatiana gave a presentation about the Shaping the Future with Faith Campaign. The goal is to raise 10 million dollars that will be used in three different ways. 6.8 Million Dollars has already been raised with 3 million of that coming from the Viator Clerics. The rest of that has been donated by a variety of families. They will be approaching the rest of the Viator families and alums to raise the remaining 3.2 million dollars. One donor contributed \$250,000 and specified that he wanted the money to go straight to the Scanlon Center. This is the first phase of the construction that will be completed by the beginning of the 2012 school year. During the summer they will be moving walls on the 3rd floor and renovating the Scanlon Center and bringing it up to speed with wiring for technology. Offices will be moved around in the process. This will cost 1-1.5 million.

The 2nd part of the campaign is to raise 4 million dollars to add to the endowment fund to insure that we have plenty of money in the future for tuition assistance.

The 3rd part of the campaign is to take down the existing cafeteria and put in a new cafeteria that is similar to what you would find in a college union. The floor above that new construction will be a new Fine Arts Center with a band room and separate practice rooms and rooms for ceramics and Photoshop. In my email is an attachment with pictures. Below is a summary sent to me by Tatiana Day to summarize things a little better than what my notes might do:

Building for the Future of Saint Viator High School *Shaping the Future with Faith Capital Campaign*

Be a part of the 33,000-square-foot addition that includes a new:

- Cafeteria and bookstore
- Student commons
- Senior dining area
- 2 art studios and kiln room
- Band rehearsal space
- Ensemble and practice rooms
- Multipurpose choral rehearsal room
- Music library

Other elements of the campaign include:

- Increasing the TUITION ASSISTANCE endowment
- Renovating the SCANLAN CENTER, to be completed Summer 2012

Campaign Goal of \$10 million

As of 11/16/11, over \$8.7 million has been committed.

Thank you to our current donors!

If you would like to join our distinguished group of leadership donors by making a pledge of \$10,000 or more over 5 years, please call the campaign office at 847-392-4050 x345

PRESIDENTS' REPORT: Kathy Loy & Lori Cataldo

Lori and Kathy passed a list for the Christmas gathering. We will start the meeting on December 12 at 7:00 with refreshments. We will send out a reminder to everyone regarding what they signed up to bring.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Eileen Manno

They hosted Open Houses on the previous Sunday and Monday and had about 190 families attend. Right now our enrollment is at around 990 but we would like to get it up to 1000.

Our English teacher Mrs. Katra is expecting twins and is on bed rest for the rest of her pregnancy so she is on maternity leave. Dan Risker is subbing. He moved from CA with his family and has eight years of experience.

All faculty emails have been converted to a google account. You would continue to email them at the emails posted in the website or directory. The students will also be assigned school email accounts. This is all done in our efforts to protect our students and faculties from inappropriate contact. Eileen was also at a technology convention and Saint Viator is exploring new ways to teach our students using all the technology available to us. This may lead to students using ipads or laptops in the classroom in the future. It might end up being a BYOD environment. (Bring your own Device). All options are being explored.

Student volunteers met with Korean War Vets and interviewed them. As a result, they published a book. A previous book was published after interviewing WWII Vets. Recently, the students met again with the Korean War Vets and discussed what the experience meant to them. It was clear that some wonderful friendships were formed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary Baur

Our balance right now is \$41,239.06 in the general fund and \$(2,268.23) in the senior events fund. The Net earnings on this year's fashion show was \$31,112. This was a \$5000 increase over last year. 402 tickets were sold. The model fees were increased this year and brought in \$4000. The general raffle brought in a net income of \$4070; Bling raffle- \$1860; Fur Raffle \$1995; Silent Auction- \$6810.

We received some great comments about the Jazz Band that entertained us and people were even asking if they can be hired out.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES: Gina Steiner & April Hanes-Dowd

Catholic School & Teacher Appreciation Week is coming up after the holidays. They are looking for ideas for teachers gifts. There are also Parents Club business envelopes that appear to be missing in action.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FASHION SHOW: Kristie St. Pierre

Everyone had a great time. Next year it is suggested that they move the fashion show so that it is not on a long weekend. See the Treasurer's Report for a summary of finances.

SPRING BOUTIQUE- Kathy Copley

Kathy is meeting with Diane Beletti to review last year's show and pick up the binder.

HOSPITALITY - Linda Falotico & Dawn Thompson

They bought all the paper goods for all events up front to take advantage of a larger discount. The Open Houses went well, and they determined that in the future they will have a separate table with some snacks for the student volunteers and faculty so that they don't continue to eat the food intended for the guests. The next event is for the National Honor Society.

CLASS REPS -

Freshmen - Diana Resendez

Last month we made phone calls to all the freshmen parents inviting them to come to the Fashion Show. It was suggested that this was a nice way to make the new families feel welcomed.

OTHER CLASS REPS- Nothing to report.

SENIOR EVENTS & POST PROM - Dawn Thompson, Janet Southall, Ann Ptacin

Cheers & Tears will be on January 28, 2012. They will be selling wine glasses and beer pilsner glasses with Saint Viator logos, and this year they will also be selling flash drives with a lion logo for \$20. They are also looking for a talented student who would like to help with the video project.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR- Nothing to report

MARKETING/WEB PAGE & LION LINES- Diane Jamieson

As a reminder, send your information to Diane for publication.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

***UNDER THE STREET LAMP-** Sue Abrahamson, Joan Cooney, Eileen Daday

569 tickets have been sold. There are 140 seats still available, and they hope to sell out. They did well with sponsors. Everyone buying tickets will be given a raffle ticket for an opportunity to sing on stage with the group. You will have to sing if your name is pulled unless you purchase a reverse ticket that will take your name out of the drawing and therefore save you some embarrassment. It is called a reverse raffle. You can also purchase additional raffle tickets and put your name on it or someone else's name for an opportunity to sing.

They also have some additional raffles. The grand prize is a mass for 20 people with appetizers prepared and served. Another raffle prize is a chance to have Choral singers come and serenade your holiday party.

Beer has been donated for the event from Harry's for the cocktail party that is in the Boler Center prior to the show. You must be 21 to be in that room since they will be selling beer & wine.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nothing to Report

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to Report

ADJOURNMENT:

Erin McMahon made a motion to adjourn and April Hanes-Dowd seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Guth
Recording Secretary

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 12 starting at 7:00 with a Christmas party in the Resource Center (Library)