

ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT'S CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Sept. 8th, 2021

Called to order by Lisa Kane, President 7:07 pm

Board Members present:

Lisa Kane-President, Caroline Brindo-Secretary, Mary Haghiac-Hospitality, ZaKiyah Stewart-Membership, Peggy McDonald-Prayer Support, Lisa Englehart Marketing/Publicity, Tracy Deitrick-Used Uniform Sale, Elizabeth Khayyat-Senior Representative, Anitha Kanakkanat-Alumni Parent Representative

Attendance Total: 22

President Lisa Kane

- Welcome to new members
- Introduction of Leo Hyland, School President

Peggy McDonald

- Opening Prayer

Guest Speaker, Leo Hyland, President St. Vincent – St. Mary High School

- Thank you for entrusting him with our school and children.
- Has experience with other schools and has seen the special nature of STVM.
- Impressed with the Board and the work they put into the mission of the school and their focus on continually improving the school.
- Also impressed with Mrs. Gorr and the admin team, their organization and their tone and professionalism.
- STVM is the most active school he has been a part of.
- Appreciates the attitude of the staff and their interactions with the students. He can tell the students trust their faculty and staff.
- He intends to remain here at STVM for a long time and take STVM to the next level. He feels the foundation has already been set by the Board with their strategic plan. The next step is to set priorities, working with focus groups and the Board. We are challenging everyone to “think big”.
- A parent asked him to state one goal:
 - He responded he would like to see instilling and facilitating an appreciation for Mary, working more with the Marianists to develop that relationship and that relationship would be a part of the STVM identity.

Lisa Kane

- Future guest speakers discussion
 - Oct. 13th-Malia Miller, College Counselor to speak about what is available at the school for students and families and how to make a 4yr college plan.
 - Reached out to Jonathan Greer to do the QPR Suicide Prevention in Nov., before the holidays when people can get depressed. Lisa Kane will organize a reach out to him.
 - Emailed Angelo Anderson about being our Feb. speaker. Wants to solidify with his supervisor. Waiting to hear back.
 - Looking in to speakers on drug use/abuse
 - Working on a speaker regarding social media overuse
 - Potentially targeting some of the guest speakers as good meetings to invite parents from elementary/middle schools in the area/Diocese

- Updates/Old Business
 - Still working on finding a new storage space for Parent's Club supplies, etc.
 - Looking for a parent to serve as Freshman Representative
 - Senior parking spot painting was very successful
 - 56 spots sold. Brought in \$5300. Spent close to \$2,000 on paint.

- New Business
 - Mothers Night Out-Jerry Kelly
 - Mon. Nov. 8th, 6-9PM at St. George's on Ridgewood.
 - Benefits the Parents' Club with no expense to us. Not a fundraiser. Promote joining.
 - Community builder. Invite mothers, sisters, friends, grandmothers, aunts...etc..
 - Dinner, drinks, and vendors selling goods.
 - Need to raise the price from \$20 per person to \$25. Usually around 100 people.
 - Jerry wants to send out a "Save the Date".

ZaKiyah Stewart-Membership

- New membership campaign has been very successful
- Reached 108 members for the 2021-2022 school year!!

Peggy McDonald-Prayer Support

- Working on a meeting with Mrs. Spinner on how to be more involved
 - Suggestion on working with the House Chaplains to organize events
- Prayer Request link is being set up on our website.
 - Need someone to manage this.
 - Figure out how to communicate this to parents, staff, students.

Lisa Englehart-Marketing/Publicity

- Reminder that Jacqueline Wammes is the new marketing person for STVM.
 - Aim for one post per month shared via the Facebook.
 - Starting House Parents
 - Parents of the House Leaders, who meet with the House Deans to help coordinate volunteers for each House.

Patti Eickhoff (via report)-Staff Appreciation

- Back to school breakfast looked amazing!!
- Next will be a Halloween event for Staff Appreciation, stay tuned as will need volunteers to help.

Lisa Englehart-(interim) Fundraising

- We really need a chair for this position!! Get the word out please.
- You've been Rocked Fundraiser-easy, and fun
 - rent shamrocks to be put in a yard to celebrate a birthday, etc.
- Spirit Signs-so far around \$700 profit
 - order goes in once a month

Melissa Mellinger-Genet (via report)-Treasurer

- We now need a new Treasurer
- As of August 31, 2021
 - Checking: \$9,035.00
 - Savings: \$6,460.64
- Monthly report August 2021
 - Income total: \$4182.50
 - interest: \$0.06
 - membership dues: \$531.37
 - parking spot: \$2450.22
 - yard signs: \$1125.85
 - ROCKED yard decorations: \$75.00
 - Expense total: \$266.40
 - parking spot paint/supplies: \$1850.30
 - NHS pins: \$436.80
 - Teacher appreciation: \$316.38
 - Parent Club banner: \$62.92

Tracy Dietrick-Uniform Sale

- planning on another sale after Christmas

Mary Haghiac-Hospitality

- providing treats for Open Houses
- will represent Parent's Club at events with Admissions

Meeting adjourned 7:56 by Lisa Kane

**Next meeting Oct. 13th with guest speaker Malia Miller, SVSM college counselor
Minutes submitted by Caroline Brindo 9/14/21**