

Home & School General Meeting October 8, 2008

The agenda that was prepared is attached.

Sister Angela: Opening Prayer

Peg Dombrowski:

- Home and School Membership cards - available to families that paid dues (those who attend all 4 general meetings are eligible to be entered for end of year drawing for a prize)
- focus of H&S is to educate parents and to enhance the school community, partly through new activities and events;
- board introductions
- sign up sheets available to volunteer for events

Carol Nama

- minutes from Home and School Board meeting held in August, 2008

Jen Schleinkofer

- Treasurer Update
 - 90% of families have paid mandatory fees (school reach, H&S membership)

Mr. Michael Walls: Speaker

- Mrs. Ellen Marsteller is the new technology teacher
- Enhancements/improvements to school:
 - Upper and Lower schools networked via “wireless bridge”
 - we’ve received many computers donated by parents
 - School website enhanced
 - “Honors Technology” program – grades 7 & 8 –uses online textbook
- RVS grade book: (be aware that after 5 unsuccessful login attempts- you will be locked out)
 - Student summary → equivalent to progress report
 - Navigate site using links (not “back” button)
 - Click on “Student detail” for information regarding grades in individual subjects
 - Can use website to send email messages to teachers also
 - Help button available

Peg Dombrowski: Home and School Updates

- 1st Family Fun & Fitness Night will be Oct. 17th in FCH (Janine Mohan is the contact)
- the Yankee Candle fundraiser ends Oct. 15th
- School Reach phone system explained
- Home and School dues – what do they pay for?
 - 1) Catholic Schools week activities
 - 2) Bonds for 8th graders
 - 3) New online grade book
 - 4) Field day refreshments
 - 5) End of the year faculty lunch
 - 6) End of the year prize drawing for members
 - 7) Coming soon: 8th grader “volunteerism” award, starting next school year (09-10) due to finances and needing to finalize criteria by which prize will be awarded

[Question raised by parent – who decides that H&S pays for something (i.e. RVS grade book)?

With regard to RVS, Sister Angela decided that Home and School would pay for the system, at least initially. Monsignor doesn't want things built into tuition b/c he wants that kept as low as possible.]

- School website has been enhanced
- New event ideas were discussed (i.e. bowling, family movie night, 5k run/walk)
- the school is considering implementing a Hot Lunch program
 - will need 1 or 2 persons to run program (depending on number of people who buy lunch)
 - if hot lunch is implemented, we will keep Pizza Friday
- Upcoming speakers at general meetings
 - suggestions are being solicited and are appreciated

Jeanette King:

- Discussed the St. David Logo Wear sale and the new Market Day fundraiser

Peg Dombrowski: Family Retreat

Meeting adjourned

**AGENDA FOR
HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2008**

OPENING PRAYER: Sr. Angela

WELCOME: Peg Dombrowski

READING OF MINUTES: Carol Nama

TREASURER REPORT: Jen Schleinkofer

SPEAKER: Mr. Walls regarding technology updates for the school

HOME & SCHOOL UPDATES: Peg Dombrowski

School Reach System

Membership dues

School Website

Fun New Ideas

Hot Lunch Program

Upcoming Speakers

St. David Logo wear

Market Day

Retreat

SCHOOL UPDATES: Sr. Angela