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St. Alphonsus Home and School Association

Home and School

Date / time 5/2/2017 6:30 PM | *Meeting called by* Home and School Association Board

Board members

Tanya Pochowski, Co-President (tanya7800@wi.rr.com) | **Lindsay Rugg**, Co-President (Lindsay.rugg@gmail.com) | **Chris Blackwood**, Treasurer (cblackwood@wi.rr.com) | **Julie Bates**, Secretary (juliew4321@yahoo.com) |

Attendees:

- Julie Bates, Tanya Pochowski, Wendy Huot, Lindsay Rugg, Jean Nelsen, Carrie Jurgens, Pat Wadzinski, Mandy Sowa, Mary Bailen, Chris O'Donnell

Committee Win!

- Notecard sale – over \$1000 – artwork was ‘wintery’ when gifts were Mother’s Day themed, perhaps changes for next year on art submitted

Monthly Updates:

- Secretary Report (Julie Bates) – April minutes approved
- Treasurer Report (Wendy Huot) –
 - Dine out money has come in, some from Scholastic, Annual Fund – not deposited yet. 8th grade continuing to spend, not anticipating any left. Guided readers were purchased, normal expenses – Library. Fish fry – Chris to go back and check expenses, VBRDT training funded with Fish Fry dollars
 - If we have surplus funds, (may not have exact number next meeting) what do we want to do with this money? Motion to spend on the desks to show donors next fall at Fun Run that we used the money donated this year. 60 tables and 120 chairs would cost \$22,200 from one vendor, or another vendor has pricing per classroom (5 classrooms needed) \$6000 per classroom. Other vendors are being quoted. Vote and decision to purchase. Next month decision to be made on which vendor to purchase from.
 - Restricted carryover – how can we purposefully use these funds? Have as an agenda item for next month
- Principal’s Report (Pat Wadzinski)
 - State of the School – Thursday, May 4th at 6:30pm
 - PR – Fliers placed around community, postcards going to 3yo in parish eligible for school next fall
 - School age children in our area ages 5-9, expected to decrease by 6%, ages 10-14 down 4%, ages 15-17 5.2% - pool of children to recruit from is decreasing
 - Since 1998, we’ve lost 28% of parishes, priests are down 39%, baptisms and marriages down – recruiting and retention are really important
 - Middle School – middle school bowling with Fr. Aaron
 - 8th grade play May 18,19,20
 - Milwaukee area principles meeting on Friday
 - Wednesday night schools coming to talk about future teacher assessments from the Arch
 - Holding time 7:15-7:30, why do we have it? Do we need it? Can we open the doors at 7:25 and let them up?
- Teacher Liaison Report (Mary Bailen)
 - May crowning moved to May 10th
 - Forensics night Thursday, May 4th, 4,5,6 pm
 - 2nd grade – First Stage this week. 15-22 Guatemala awareness, undergarment collection, May

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- 21 First Communion, May 24 last 2nd grade mass, end of year celebration
 - d. 3rd grade – ITBS testing, multiplication, cursive, typing, May – pray the Rosary, trip to Milton house, picnic at Scout Lake
 - e. 4th grade – Dennis Sullivan trip on May 26, May 29 Wisconsin Statehood, Pioneer Day May 31st
 - f. 5th grade – finish Iowa testing and looking forward to bowling
 - g. 6th grade – research papers, 7th grade analyzing poems, Spanish field trip to a store and restaurant to practice speaking
 - h. ITBS testing for 3,5,7 – finishing May 2
 - i. 8th grade Beauty and the Beast, May 18-20
 - j. 8th grade art exhibit on May 35 at 6:30 as part of Fiesta of the Arts
 - k. Cougar Classic May 26th afternoon

Business:

- A. Chris O'Donnell – part of Fish Fry Committee, presented a video on Market America – items that you routinely purchase can give royalties to the School, no cost to the School, just by purchasing through a special web portal.
- B. Fundraisers/events:
 - a. Mother-Son Event (Wendy) – Sunday, May 21st 11am – 1pm – flyers are out, plan to count quantity on Monday
 - b. School Committee meeting cancelled for May
 - c. Spring Fling Breakfast/Pancake Breakfast – only 10 people registered, so motion to cancel. Vote and decision to cancel and send out communication. Will need Committee Lead to take it over for next year.
 - d. School Supply Update – Web site is up, information will be shared later this month
 - e. Home & School Auction Donation – H&S donated a garden theme, wagon, lawn ornament, shovel, gardening tools, gloves, \$100 gift card to Menards
- C. Teacher Appreciation week is this week
- D. **Open Positions**
 - a. Committee to determine use of funds from Fun Run (desks/playground) ****IMPORTANT TO FILL
 - b. Committee Leads
 - i. Pancake Breakfast (for 2017-18 school year) (Parish/School Event) ****IMPORTANT TO FILL
 - ii. Dine out for St. Al's ****IMPORTANT TO FILL
 - iii. Boston Store Community Days (Will eliminate if not filled for 2017-18)

Committee Updates (will provide updates for committees that have current activities only):

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Timing of Event</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>
• Dine Out with St. Al's	Monthly	Crystal Nguyen
• New Family	Monthly	Lindsay Rugg, Michelle Waddle
• Hospitality	Ongoing	Gretchen Watson
• Apparel Sale	Ongoing	Michelle Waddle
• Teacher Appreciation	May 1-5, 2017	Kim Smazal
• Note Card Sale	March/Mother's Day	Jennifer Nencka
• Mother-Son Event	Spring 2017	Wendy Huot, Madeline Schmidt
• Sweetheart Breakfast	May 7, 2017	Jennifer Nencka, Tanya Pochowski
• School Supplies	Summer	Sheila Quinette
• Entertainment Books (Recap)	September 1-15, 2016	Jennifer Lima
• Fun Run (Recap)	September 7-16, 2016	Fun Run Committee
• Father-Daughter Dance (Recap)	November 4, 2016	Tricia Czajkowski
• Fall Fest (Recap)	October 27, 2016	Mandy Sowa
• Boston Store Community Days (Recap)	November 9-12, 2016	Tanya Pochowski
• Ornament Sale (Status)	November-December, 2016	Tanya Pochowski
• Cookie Walk	December 10-11, 2016	Amy Shamburger, Erin Ryan
• Fun Fair	January 13, 2017	6th Grade Class
• Scholastic Book Fair	January 28-February 3, 2017	Lindsay Rugg
• John McGivern	February 24, 2017	Michelle Waddle, Julie Bates, Mandy Sowa

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| • Fish Fry | Lent | Heather Halser |
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Label Collection:

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| • Box Tops | Monthly | Jean Nelsen |
| • Tyson A+ | Monthly | Tanya Pochowski |

Open Items

- A. Open Discussion

Adjournment

Volunteer Opportunities:

- A. See open positions above

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Please join us for our monthly Home and School meetings at 6:30 PM in the Father Alan Meeting Room (Room 200)

2016-17 School Year Meeting Dates (1st Tuesday of every month):

- June 6, 2017

Sign Up Genius Volunteer Website: <http://tinyurl.com/stalsignup>

Any questions, feel free to contact Home and School Board: homeandschool@st-alphonsus.org