

## SCHOOL EVENTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

SFX School, 7pm

Meeting began promptly at 7 pm with prayer offered by Mrs. Michelle Russo

Members present: Susan Alexander, Laura Duarte, Raquel Antonio, Maryann Ribeiro, Barbara Pereira, Laura Guenette, Tina Tetreault, Nellie Hotte, Keri Borba, Michelle Teixeira, Sherri Engel, Michelle Russo.

**March 14<sup>th</sup> – Pi Day – Skeleton Plan in place/ Middle School Involvement/Needs-** Plans are in the works for an engaging, entertaining, and educational assembly on Pi Day (3.14) @ 10:10am (please note time change) for Grades K-8. Thank you to Sue Alexander for agreeing to purchase the pies for our “Pi Daddy Pie Eating contest” and to Tina Tetreault who agreed to bring in some rope for a demonstration of pi calculation. A thanks also goes to the Govern’s for their help orchestrating this fun and educational assembly.

**IOWA Testing** - Standardized testing for our Grade 2-8 students are set to take place during the first two weeks of May. Last year’s individual daily treats for our test-takers will be replaced by a daily dose of love/ encouragement for each class. Laura Guenette has agreed to begin generating ideas for encouragement and will request assistance from the committee as needed.

**Teacher Appreciation Week 5/8 through 5/12** - Help will be needed to show our amazing teachers the appreciation they so greatly deserve! Keri Borba has graciously agreed to (once again) put together a plan for the week and then disseminate jobs to the rest of the committee. The proposed “theme” for the week will be “Teacher Rock Stars” and more details to be given at our next meeting.

### **Open Doors - Gala 2017 - Subcommittee Updates**

**Sponsorships-** The number of sponsorships received to date is a bit behind last year’s influx. A few of our larger sponsors were unable to donate this year. We are still waiting on a few of our annual sponsors, but in the meantime, SEC reps were asked to brainstorm businesses that a connection might be made and sponsorship possibly secured.

**Donations** - Barbara Perriera (mother of Brandon, PK-4) has done an incredible job securing numerous donations throughout the area, and is working tirelessly to obtain as many silent auction items as possible for our event on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April. Trish Sylvia is heading a group of volunteers who are obtaining as many restaurant gift cards as possible for this year’s Grub Grab.

The **Family Gala Challenge**, while brought in MANY amazing auction items, did not engage many of our school families. Out of the 180 families that we have at SFX, 24 families actually participated, only 13.3333%!! For this reason, and the fact that more auction items are needed, the challenge will be extended until Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. The “Luck of the Irish” will be the platform to choose the lucky winner/ class from the challenge. Thank you in advance for improving the percentage of families willing to contribute to the school’s largest fundraiser of the year!

It was mentioned that a parent was savvy and resourceful enough to post the Gala Family Challenge form on her Facebook page, asking friends and family to consider donating an item or a service to our fundraiser. The results were extremely lucrative! Please consider this suggestion as a way to get folks involved in the excitement!

Next SEC meeting will be held on Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm at the school.

Please join us if you are able!