

**St. Mary's Parents' Association
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, February 6, 2012**

Chris Carnes
Heather Roulstone
Beth King
Meg Carter
Dixie Maggart
Lisa Turner
Melissa Moran
Kim Miller

Robyn Fedorovich
Trish Lane
Jessica Thiel
Whitney Bucklew
Traci Wadsworth
Sandra Clark
Kathleen Lopez
Father Ben Twinamaani

Wendy Brill
Betty D'Onofrio
Jen Butcher
Julie Knost
Denielle Iuzzolino
Erica Brandon
Scott Laird
Susan Graham

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME: President Natalie Raney called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m. Father Ben opened the meeting in prayer.

MINUTES: The minutes from the January 9, 2012 St. Mary's Parents' Association meeting were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Beth King had nothing new to report. Beth asked that everyone continue to turn in their receipts for reimbursement.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT: Scott Laird acknowledged a great deal of excitement for the upcoming Benefit. He advised that re-enrollment contracts are due back to the school by Friday, February 10th.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Natalie Raney had nothing new to report.

PRESIDENT ELECT'S REPORT: Meg Carter handed out forms which enumerate the volunteer opportunities available for the 2012-2013 Parents' Association. Meg asked that everyone consider what they would like to do and return the forms indicating their interests to her as soon as possible. Meg will use this information to propose next year's slate to the Parents' Association at the March meeting. Meg asked everyone to spread the word and encourage new parents to get involved.

ARTYOLOGY: Jen Butcher reported that all is going well.

BENEFIT: Melissa, Erica and Denielle reported there is great excitement about the Benefit. Melissa met with the caterer this week to finalize the floor plan and seating. This year they will be serving Arnold Palmers as a specialty drink to start off the evening. Patrons will have a specialty cup all night long. Melissa is working with Grand Events on the decor. She brought a sample of the centerpiece, which will be a golf ball and tee. The raffle tickets went out to the students last week. Melissa encouraged

everyone to please send in their RSVPs. The committee is very encouraged about the numbers for underwriting and patronage thus far. There are 31 Patrons to date, and a "thank you" banner will be hung with a running tally of the number of Patrons received leading up to the Benefit. They are excited about the Motown Band and the white dance floor. The auction is coming along very well and they are still willing to accept donations. The 8th grade parents are in charge of the Patrons' party and are doing a tremendous job.

BIRTHDAY TREATS: Chris Carnes had nothing new to report.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Lisa Turner advised that the Faith Cafe purchased a lot to build a new facility. This is great news for the Faith Cafe and its mission.

HOMEROOM REPRESENTATIVE COORDINATORS: There were no homeroom representative coordinators present.

HOSPITALITY: There were no committee members present.

ORIGINAL WORKS: Betty D'Onofrio reported that all artwork is being completed and sent in to the company. We will be receiving our magnets in the near future.

SAINTLY APPRECIATION: Gabrielle Patterson was not present. Natalie shared that she has received very positive feedback on this committee's work.

SAINTS DEPOT: Traci Wadsworth reported that the last sale at Grandparents' Day went well.

SCHOOL LUNCH: Ameer Petitt reported that lunch is going well.

SCHOOL PHOTOS: The school photos are complete.

SPORTS BANQUET: Susan Graham reported that she is working on pictures and all is going well.

USED UNIFORMS: Whitney Bucklew reported that the next used uniforms sale will be after Spring Break.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Natalie Raney discussed the importance of St. Mary's Church to our school and children. She advised that Scott Laird suggested that the Parents' Association consider funding the replacement of the Church's vestments as a gesture of appreciation for the Church. The current vestments, used by both the Church and the school, are over ten years old and need to be replaced. The cost of replacement will be approximately \$2,500. A motion was made, and approved, for the Parents' Association to fund the new vestments. Natalie gave a reminder of the upcoming speakers, Andy

Chan and Karla Kirkwood, who will be speaking on Monday February 13th about choosing the right colleges and careers. Natalie asked that we please encourage everyone to attend this very informative discussion. Natalie thanked the communication representatives for attending. Natalie acknowledged Jen Butcher and Traci Wadsworth for their year round commitment to SMPA.

Our next meeting will be held in St. Mary's Hall on Monday, March 5, 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Miller
Recording Secretary