

ST. MARY'S VISITATION

Catholic School  Elm Grove, WI

St. Mary's Visitation Parish School's Mission Statement

St. Mary's Visitation Catholic Parish School exists to direct children toward God and toward Christian service to society through Catholic religious formation, academic challenge, and continuous improvement.

SMV Home & School Committee Meeting

November 12, 2018

5:30p.m.

Attendance:

Conners, Lampe, Olbrantz, Mindy, Tretow, Marvin, Cornell, Carnell, Parks, Denis, Braatz, Bolger

Opening Prayer

Read Mission Statement

Budget Review/Treasurer's Report – Alicia Braatz

-Checking \$27, 193

Volunteer Coordinator Report – Rebecca Mindy

A. Status of Volunteer Sign Ups

B. Open Chair Positions

-Doing really well staffing events with volunteers.

-Next event is Holiday Treasures (co- chairs are Erin Lampe & Lisa Volm). They have very openings left.

-Auction, Field Day, and 8th Grade Graduation will be the focus after the holidays.

Committee Reports

A. Standing/Ongoing Committees

1. Hospitality: Jennifer Zils

-Planning for teacher dinner night of conferences underway. No additional help needed.

2. Publicity: Open

-If each committee chair can submit event details to Kris Dries, this position may not be needed.

-Katy Cornell said Advancement could use someone for Publicity. Katie Carnell agreed to do it next year.

3. Scrip: Maren Kleinmann

-Need to publicize Scrip more.

-Tutorials to teach new families and anyone else interested in learning more about Scrip would be helpful.

-Have an information/sales table at Back to School Night and Open House?

4. Spirit Wear: Katie Schultz

-Great selection of items and advertising again this year. Have already raised \$200 more than budgeted for the entire year.

5. Box Tops: Mary Sue Larsen

+ \$1,000 has been raised already this year.

B. Fundraisers

1. Scholastic Book Fair: Jan. 25-Kelly Krause

2. Auction: March 30—Katie Carnell and Sue Olbrantz

-Need help marketing Wave game night. \$10/ticket profit. Looking to use donated Wave gear to incent families to place ticket orders. Still sell at Open House?

-Wine sales going really well – table at Wine Down, after Mass, Living Saints Museum, conferences, and Advent by Candlelight.

-Committees are all working well.

-\$500 donation received after promotional auction help plea at Mass a few weeks ago.

-Focus of funds raised at auction - Outdoor Education Space. Will be a 2-3 year commitment. Fr Peter met with architect and is now waiting to hear about cost. Would like to have renderings displayed at auction.

3. Ford Drive: Kelly Krause

C. Event/Club Committees

1. Spooks & Spoofs: October 26 – Michelle Denis & Marissa Selthafner

-Great volunteers. Didn't miss having concessions. ~\$2,700 profit. Cake Walk missed, but candy not missed. Vests helped up the security game. Maybe we don't need full police presence next year. Pumpkin Decorating Contest participation up significantly versus last year. Consider new prize category for families not wishing to have each child enter individually.

2. Holiday Treasures: December 18 & 19—Erin Lampe & Lisa Volm

3. Chili Chomp: Jan. 25 –Peter and Amy Henry

4. Bowling Day: Feb. 1 – Paula Horning 1-3 p.m.

5. Forensics

Elementary: Julie Perez and Ann Scott

Junior High: Open

-No one for Jr High Forensics. Need 2-3 people to supervise and organize, in order to work with SMV or Pilgrim Park. Maria Dolores will speak with Carrie Lennon. Maybe pay high schoolers to help out? Tax implications with paying teachers.

6. Father Daughter Dance: April 5—Danielle Mathai

7. Open Door: *Officially cancelled.*

8. Memorial Day Parade: May 27—Gina Mares

-Try to find Co-Chair?

9. Field Day: June 3 – Open

10. Mother/Son Night

-Big success with mother son event. Need to find a way to encourage boys to play with their moms. Definitely do again next year.

D. Other

1. Restaurant Fundraisers: Mary Stollenwerk

-So many schools and places doing dine out events. On waiting lists, so committee doesn't know of any right now. Frustration around inability to give more notice. \$2,800 is the goal for this year. \$800 raised so far. Another Culver's night will be held in the spring. Coordinate with Scrip. Host another Sendik's cookout?

2. Teacher Appreciation Week – May 6-10, 2019

3. Virtual Backpack: Deadline Tuesday. Submit to Mrs. Dries.

Principal Report

-Would like to have class Halloween parties same day as Spooks & Spoofs.

-Christmas Concert decorations/backdrop by Patty Steigerwald and Maria Dolores Parks is absolutely beautiful. THANK YOU! May need to reconsider choice of materials in future. Something more conducive to paint?

-Some serious competition for Beauty and the Beast tryouts. Will purchase costumes (9) for lead roles. Paying license fee, so we can record performance. Mrs. Kesler has brought so much energy and ideas. Very happy to have her at SMV.

-Report cards went home.

-Re-enrollment letter will be sent out shortly.

- Vision for Grades 1-5 science lab: Will purchase tables, stools, shelving, buckets for shelves (similar to Makerspace shelving). One time cost of \$7,000-\$8,000. Mrs. Biernat is going to write a grant for tinker toys. Not sure yet where it will be located. Won't be ready until the fall. Teachers will workout schedule of use. Going to clean out and organize what we already own first, and then decide what we still need to purchase. Fits well with new science curriculum.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29pm.