

ST. MARY'S VISITATION

Catholic School  Elm Grove, WI

SMV Home & School Committee Meeting
April 12, 2021
5:30 pm

Attendance (via Zoom): Tretow, Bolger, Parks, Akel, Nordstrom, Mathai, Wroblewski, Steigerwald, Schmidt, Braatz

- I. Opening Prayer**
- II. Read Mission Statement**
 - A. 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.
- III. Budget Review/Treasurer's Report (Alicia Braatz)**

-Bank account balance is \$168,810.19
- IV. Committee Reports**
 - A. Event/Club Committees**
 - 1) Elementary Forensics (Julie Perez)**

- 3rd & 5th 5/28, 4th 5/21
 - 2) Teacher Appreciation**

-1st week in May (3rd-7th)
-Lunch and caramel apples from Hospitality Committee
-Alicia provided list of previous ideas. Need to decide what we want to do this year.
 - 3) Memorial Day Parade**

-Cancelled.
 - 4) Golf Outing**

-Postponed to next school year. Need to determine whether it will be a fundraiser or a community event. Want to make sure we do not cannibalize funds raised by Soles or Auction.
 - 5) Field Day (Amy Scheidt)**

-Planning going well. There will not be a bounce house this year. Michelle Akel will work with Amy Scheidt to secure the necessary volunteers.
 - 6) 8th Grade Graduation**

-Letter to parents going home tomorrow.
-\$55 fee/graduate (able to pay thru Give Central) by May 7th
-Thursday, June 3rd: Retreat during the day and "carnival" on the patio at night – backyard/carnival games, food truck, photo booth, movie, fire pit. "Carnival" would

be in place of dance and will be for graduates only, no parents. If it rains, could be moved into atrium and/or gym.

-Friday, June 4th: Breakfast in a Box, sign yearbooks, watch video (compiled by 8th grade parents and approved by Mrs. Tretow), and parade (whole school outside, parents welcome) during the day. Mass at night with diplomas and awards.

-8th Grade Parents usually book the back room at O'Donoghue's as a place to gather after graduation. Could also be a place to show graduation video.

-Graduation signs on student lawns and maybe a swag bag with a t-shirt from their new high school?

-7th Grade Graduation Committee will be responsible for delivery of lawn signs, swag bag, "carnival" on Thursday, and breakfast/patio decoration on Friday.

-7th Grade Graduation Committee to put together paragraph outlining planned "carnival" activities to Mrs. Tretow shortly, so she can approve and pass on to graduates and parents.

B. Fundraisers

1) Shop & Dine (Amy Scheidt, Anne Mueller)

-Board & Brush fundraiser will be marketed shortly. Note: when advertising an event, do not market only on FB, as some parents are not on FB. Make sure it is in VB and/or a backpack flyer.

2) Scrip (Maren Kleinmann)

-No update.

3) Spirit Wear (Katie Schultz)

-No update.

4) Box Tops (Mary Sue Larsen)

-No update.

5) Lands End (Mary Sue Larsen)

-No update.

C. Standing/Ongoing Committees

1) Hospitality (Danielle Mathai, Katie Bosbous)

-2 lunches left. Danielle and Katie will reach out if they need any help.

V. Volunteer Coordinator Report (Michelle Akel)

-Plan to send out volunteer sign-up for next school year in May. At this time, we will proceed as if next school year will be back to normal. If we have to cancel events, we will, but better to have volunteers lined up that we don't need.

VI. Other Items

-(2) \$2,000 graduation scholarships

-Teacher service awards did not happen last year due to COVID. We will plan to play catchup (award 2020 and 2021 recipients, Mrs. Tretow to provide estimate of total cost). Will be nice for retiring teachers (Schneider, Benson) and to encourage teacher retention.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:25 p.m.

Last Meeting Date: May 10th