

Holy Spirit Parent meeting hosted by the SFO

Board Meeting Minutes: September 5, 2019

7:00pm at Holy Spirit

Board Members present: Regan Manning, Luke Mack, Mike Meekins, Megan Staebell, Katie Breckenridge, Fr.Chuck Cimpl

Families: approximately 52 parents

Prayer: Fr. Cimpl

Purpose of the SFO:

- Mission statement is read
- We are wanting feedback from all parents regarding Holy Spirit school and are looking to build the Holy Spirit community via volunteering and getting involved.

Introductions of SFO board members:

- Luke Mack-President
- Mike Meekins- Vice President
- Megan Staebell- Secretary
- Katie Breckenridge- Holy Spirit Staff representative

Round tables: We asked all tables to introduce themselves to each other at your table and discuss the questions given in the middle of the table. (We collected the responses, you can find the answers at the bottom of these notes)

- Do you have any fundraising ideas we could do to benefit Holy Spirit School?
- Who would you like to see for speakers this year at Holy Spirit Parent Nights? What topics would you like covered?
- How did you decide to send your child/children to Holy Spirit Catholic School?
- How are you connected with Holy Spirit? What grade are your children in? How long have you been part of the Holy Spirit Family?

Reporting: Regan Manning

- New Turf project- We are excited to announce we are working towards turfing the soccer field. We received 7 rolls of turf that was removed from the O’Gorman High Schools football field, it is currently in storage. We will need to raise the money to help prepare the ground for this and any landscaping that will need to be done around that area. (special thanks to Alan Spencer for storing the turf and Bob Jarding for moving the turf to the storage facility for us)

- Finance report.
 - Current expenses-
 - Building and grounds \$10,000 (Turf project)
 - Technology \$25,000 (Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools covers all of the IT costs, but we cover the cost of the actual equipment.)
 - Professional development \$1,500
 - Teacher Enrichment/mini grants \$2,000
 - Events/Assembles/Class projects \$2,500
 - Tuition Assistance \$2,000
 - Income-
 - Fundraising such as boxstops, bingo, ext \$3,500
 - Spring fundraiser \$15,000
 - Carnival \$25,000
 - Father/ Daughter dance \$1,000
 - Uniform Closet \$2,500

Box tops

- Box tops are now digital, you will scan your receipt within 2 weeks and you will get credit for your items. Watch for a letter coming home from Mr. Manning with instructions.

Upcoming events

- Back to School Bash- 9/11/19 5:30pm-7:30pm. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
- Carnival- 9/21/19. Beth Pole gave an update: There will be a dance, games, face painting, balloon animals and a silent auction. We are still needing volunteers to sign up to help that night. You can buy your carnival tickets beforehand, a form was sent home from school this week.
- Adult Social- Mr.Manning discussed the Adult Social. This will be at the VFW on October 5th. Cash bar available. Watch for communication coming home with more details.

Updates

- We have 32 new families attending Holy Spirit
- 63 new students attending Holy Spirit.
- Lunch program is going great. The students have 3 meal choices, the only problem is it is taking longer to get through the line and staffing challenges.
 - Lunch room reminder: Kids can have unlimited fruit and salad bar, if they want a 2nd entree they will be charged for that.
- Holy Spirit is looking to hire after school teachers.
- Parking lot- PK students MUST be walked in by a parent, K-6 can go through the drop off line. If you do drop off your child must be ready to get out of the car. You can not get out and hold up the line.

Table Questions: Collected responses

Do you have any fundraising ideas we could do to benefit Holy Spirit School?

- **A simplified mindcore (quiz bowl)**
- **SFO Booster Club (one time donation)**
- **Flyboy fundraiser**
- **Eileens Cookie fundraiser**
- **Catholic United Financial Raffle**
- **Upfront donation of money**
- **Gift wrap**
- **Shutterfly**
- **Fun Fun / Color Run**
- **Coke Points**
- **Something parents and students can do together**

How did you decide to send your children to Holy Spirit School?

- **Smaller class size**
- **The before school care option**
- **We live close to Holy Spirit and attend church here**
- **Friend influences**

Who would you like to see this year for speakers at Holy Spirit nights? Topics?

- **Joe Rutten- importance of faith education**
- **Police on internet safety**
- **Mental health**
- **Bullying- how to talk to your kids about this**
- **Social media dangers**
- **Susanne Gale- General information on gift cards and other school topics**
- **The issue of Vaping**
- **Anxiety and Stress**
- **School safety, what is the plan and what if the children are at recess**
- **Information on technology safety**
- **How to talk to your child about gun safety**
- **child mental and learning development**