

SFO Parent Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Friday, Jan. 20th, 2023
2:00-2:45 p.m.
Fireside Room

Prayer-Mr. Manning led a Catholic Schools Week Prayer

Attendees-Summer Wagner, Liz Myscofski, Shannon Nielsen, Amy Dix, Megan Staebell, Beth Pole, Cindy Scheidt, Matt Johnson, Mr. Manning

Purpose of SFO

- Provide a vehicle of communication between parents, school staff, the church and the Catholic Community.
- Promote information and education for the benefit of students and families.
- Promote spiritual and social activities for students, families, and staff.
- Aid with volunteer service.

Principal Report-Mr. Manning-This year we started sending letters again to students that have accumulated multiple absences or tardies.

Attendance Matters

As of 12/21/22 the breakdown of K-6 student absences is as follows:

students with 5-6 days absent=**40**

Students with 7-9 days= **12**

Students with 10-12 days= **4**

As of 12/21/22 the breakdown of K-6 students tardiness is as follows:

students with 5-6 days tardy=**9**

Students with 7-9 days= **4**

Students with 10-12 days=**4**

Students with 13 or more=**2**

Enrollment Report

- **We currently have 411 students**
- 15 new students since our last SFO advisory meeting including in September.
PS-5, 1st-2, 3rd-4,4th-2,5th-1,6th-1

Service Projects

- Advent-Thank you for your great support of the pajama collection for Foster Network.
- Catholic Schools Week-currently underway-take out storage containers and toiletry items for The Banquet-these can be clean used plastic containers.

Sportsmanship Program-Holy Spirit kicked off this schoolwide program last Friday at Prayer and Pledge-focuses on the virtues of *respect, courtesy, kindness, and magnanimity*-hopefully you've heard your children talking about it.

Development Report-Extravaganza-Liz Myscofski-

A Night for All Knights is scheduled for April 1st. As a way to get elementary families more involved with this event parents can coordinate themed baskets to be donated for the silent auction. If you are interested in volunteering to help with this event and/or put together a class basket, contact Liz Myscofski at 605-575-3342 or lmyscofski@ogknights.org.

Financial Report

- Carnival Numbers-Thank you to Andrea Lahrs and Kate Kotzea for heading this up-Raised a total of \$27,421-most profitable Carnival over the past 5 years.
- Monthly financial report-Current money in SFO account after transferring \$20,000 to our technology replenishment fund=\$28,628

Summertime changes-The Bishop O’Gorman Summertime program will undergo a few changes this year including-limiting enrollment, program is moving to 10 weeks, **registration will begin Feb. 9th in conjunction with 23-24 enrollment portal**, we expect it to fill up.

Recent/Upcoming Events-

Active Kindness Speaker-Corey Greenwood-We had an assembly this past Wednesday-great message about how each student has the power to be kind and make a difference in somebody’s life, even tied in sportsmanship several times.

CSW Kickoff and installation mass for Fr. Mason-Feb. 29th-9:00 a.m.-Bishop DeGrood will be here. The Holy Spirit School Liturgical Choir will sing. Holy Spirit students are encouraged to wear their school uniforms to any of the Masses Feb.28th/29th-if they do they will be allowed a dress down day on Tuesday, Feb. 7th. Knights of Columbus and The Gathering will be providing breakfast and activities following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Open House for New Families-Thursday, Feb. 9th 5:30-7:00 p.m.-currently have 27 families signed up to attend–please encourage friends/neighbors with elem. age children to attend. Our current families are the best recruiters. Families can register online at ogknights.org and click on a time slot that works for them.

Book Fair-Feb. 8-15th-held in conjunction with PT conferences. The proceeds from the book fair are used to purchase books for our library annually.

Save the DateFather/Daughter Dance-April 22nd in gym-this is also one of the First Communion weekends (April 16 and April 23rd)

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

Fri., Jan. 27th-CSW Kickoff Family Bingo Night-still in need of volunteers to help sell bingo cards and hand our prepaid pizzas-5: 45 pm-6:15 pm

Wed., Feb. 15th-Parent Teacher Conference Luncheon-It was decided that a meal will be catered with SFO funds for the luncheon and a sign up genius will be put together for drinks, desserts, snacks.

Spring Community Building Opportunities:

Air Madness, Skate City, Scheels Ice Plex, Sky Zone—discussion was held about possibly having a Holy Spirit Night at one of these locations. Many of these places can be reserved for just your group and give a kickback to the school. Reach out to Mr. Manning if you are interested in coordinating.

Future SFO Parent Advisory Meetings:

Sportsmanship Speaker-parents/children-Date TBD-evening
March 24th