

SFO Parent Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

7:00 p.m..

Holy Spirit Lower Level

Attendees-Kameha Bell, Jasmine Schroeder, Debbie Lewison, Andrea Lahrs, Michael Promes, Annette Johnson, Theresa Eide, Heidi Streit, Susan Moe, Andrea Beireis, Beth Pole, Julie Wiseman

Mr. Manning led the group in prayer

Principal Report-

Mr. Manning gave an enrollment report. Most families have re-enrolled for the 24-25 SY. We currently have waitlists in PS4 and Kindergarten as well as PSPlus3. 1st grade and PS5 are very close to being at capacity.

Tuition scholarships-Mr. Manning shared that the deadline to apply for the Presentation Sisters Tuition scholarship is this Friday, March 15th.

Deacon Cole and the Ryan and Lesley Good tuition scholarships are available to apply through the Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools website. Deadline to apply is April 1st. These scholarships are only available to Holy Spirit parishioners.

We will be collecting items for the St. Francis House as our Lenten Service Project at Holy Spirit Elementary. We will be collecting items March 18-21. A yellow flyer with items was sent home with the students last Friday. A representative will come visit with the students on March 15th at Prayer and Pledge and explain a little bit about their organization and how they serve those in need.

Mr. Manning explained that we have been focusing on the virtue of orderliness this month.

Extravaganza will be held on April 13th at the SF Convention Center. Extravaganza is a fundraiser for all 8 Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools. Kameha Bell shared an update on the packages for the silent auction that Holy Spirit Elementary will put together for the Silent Auction and sought input on the vacation package to Omaha. Around \$700 has been collected so far. She is also looking for volunteers to put the display together, decorate it, etc. If you still would like to contribute or volunteer to help put the package together reach out to either she or Andrea Lahrs.

Father/Daughter Dance-Jasmine Schroeder will be chairing the Father/Daughter Dance again this year. The Dance will be held on Saturday, April 20th. The group decided that we will not be ordering corsages this year. Families are encouraged to order on their own if they wish. She also expressed a great need for volunteers to help decorate and volunteer the night of the dance. Watch for a sign up genius closer to the event from Mr. Manning to volunteer..

Mother/Son Bowling Event-Paige Anderson has agreed to chair the Mother/Son bowling event again this year. Once that date is confirmed Mr. Manning will share it out to get on calendars.

Communio Update-Julie Wiseman, the director of evangelization and discipleship for Holy Spirit Parish gave an update on Communio and various events that have been and will be taking place at the Parish. A flyer is being made to share with all school families about Communio.

Mr. Manning gave an update on upcoming events at the school

First Communion Weekends: April 7th and April 14th
All In God's Plan-April 9th at HSP and April 8th at CTK
Terra Nova Standardized Testing will take place the week of April 15-19 for (3rd-6th grade)
Father/Daughter Dance-April 20th
6th Grade Mass of Sending-May 9th
Field Day-May 10th
Last Day of School-May 16th

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

Fr. Daughter Dance-April 20th
Teacher/Staff Appreciation-May 6-10
Field Day-May 10th

Mr. Manning is looking for a couple volunteers to help plan a special week for our Teachers and Staff for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week May 6-10. Reach Out to Mr. Manning or Mary Lou if you would like to volunteer to help with this.

A discussion was held regarding our fundraiser for the 24-25 school year. It was decided that we will be moving away from the annual Halloween Carnival/Silent auction for a multitude of reasons. One of the main reasons is the overlap with the Parish Fall Festival that will become an annual event. It was decided to be replaced by a walk-a-thon or calendar fundraiser that most of the other Bishop O'Gorman Elementary Schools are utilizing.

Mr. Manning concluded the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.