

# HSA Meeting

16 September 2024/ 6:30 PM / Holy Spirit School

## Attendees

Trista Henning, Anna Ounkong, Jenna Ugorowski, Danyel Herzog, Amy Heimer, Mindy Mickelson, Beth Brunton, Karissa Schuenke, Alisa Becker-Dunn, Marie Afonya, Erin Young, Nicole Forliti, Krista Kuzma, Laura Ailts

## Notes

- **Principal's Report - Amy Heimer**
  - New staff review/updates
  - NWEA fall testing K-5 started this week
    - Next: Winter and Spring
  - Music teacher
    - Kevin Carey (AM Extended Care Staffer/Talented Musician)
      - Once a week - going very well
      - Also helping at mass - thank you!
    - There WILL be a Christmas concert and Spring concert
  - Art with Ms. Heimer
    - This will be new since music is only once per week
    - Mr. Lane (Holy Spirit employee) is an artist and will assist
  - Homecoming
    - September 30 - October 4th
    - Student council is finalizing dress up days (all of RCS follows)
    - Parade - Friday October 4th
      - Early dismissal 12:30pm
      - Parade 2pm (starts at Lourdes)
  - Question: Is there prayer time during school (outside of morning/afternoon prayer) and a morning Pledge of Allegiance?
    - Alisa Becker-Dunn - there is a new Campus Ministry at Holy Spirit where teachers at Holy Spirit meet regularly.
- **Current Activities/Events - Trista Henning & Anna Ounkong**
  - Meet the Teacher and first day of school recap
    - Wednesday - Preschool - Shaved ice
    - Thursday - K-5 - Gelato
    - Discussion: Truck outside on grass worked great. Moving forward - dinner trucks? Both companies were very flexible and great to work with

- First day of school coffee truck
    - Papa's Roast Coffee Truck - Worked great. Will plan to schedule with her next year
  - Discussion: LifeTouch Photography - Amy Heimer had a discussion regarding photographer and future photographer company options. We did enjoy having photos taken on Meet the Teacher. New photographer for picture retakes on 10/1
- **Homecoming Parade Friday October 4th**
  - Theme: Super Hero
  - ***Need help/volunteers***
    - When: Morning 10/4 (after drop off)
    - Where: RCS Central Office
    - Questions? Email [tristahonermann@gmail.com](mailto:tristahonermann@gmail.com) or [aschultz377@gmail.com](mailto:aschultz377@gmail.com)
  - Erin Young will donate other decorations and balloons
  - 5th graders - will walk in the parade
- **Fall Conference Meals/Treats**
  - Fall 2023 - parents brought food in. Last Spring we started catering meals (with donations from families)
  - 1st grade and 2 year old preschoolers will provide meals
    - Sign up genius for drinks, appetizers, treats
    - In the past: Powers, Smoak, Sorrelina's
    - Fall catering ideas: Los Arcos, Qdoba
    - Will ask for money donations 1-2 weeks beforehand
  - *Conference Dates*
    - November 12 & 14
    - February 18 & 20
- **New Marketing Coordinator role!**
  - Welcome Erin Young (she has 2 children here at Holy Spirit)
  - Erin will work with RCS to make sure we are staying within the RCS brand (colors, logos, etc.)
- **First Day School Supplies** - 62 boxes sold
  - Overall positive feedback
  - \*Important to note: **\$310** was donated and will go toward playground resurfacing!
  - Will work to streamline school list (keep reusable items off the list such as scissors, pencil box, etc) - and purchase only when necessary
- **2025 Glow Run - FRIDAY MARCH 21**
  - New this year: we will NOT be going through a company. We will be doing this ourselves. Online platform - decide which one, DJ, etc. Someone to donate prizes
  - Begin a committee - anyone interested?
    - Decorations/Music/Volunteers
    - Prizes - individualize per class
    - Contact sponsors for donations (to allow each student to get a free t shirt)
  - Video

- On the playground (since we are raising money for the playground surface)
- **Budget update** - Danyel Herzog
  - Slightly over budget for Meet the Teacher event
  - \$310 donation from First Day School Supplies
  - Well within our budget - doing well
- **New ideas, suggestions, questions**
  - Have speakers come in to speak with the kids (cut down on bus costs with field trips) - Authors, Quarry Hill Nature Center?, Oxbow, Red Barn Learning Farm, Beehives, Syrup, other ideas
- **Funds Requests**
  - None from teachers
  - Idea: Invest in a larger soccer net (or 2)
    - **\*Vote:** Trista Henning makes a motion to use HSA funds to order 2 good quality, heavy duty soccer nets for the outdoor lower field area. Anna seconded. All in favor. Approved.
- **New Ideas/suggestions**
  - **Announcement**
    - Trista Henning and Anna Ounkong (Co-Chairs)
      - Stepping down after this year
      - We are looking for 1-2 volunteers to take on this new role
      - Come join the HSA!
  - **Virtues of the Month**
    - Emphasizing at home it is not a competition - be uplifting of one another
    - Will plan to send a list of the virtues to each family
    - Will send a list of the mass schedule to each family
  - Can the new RCS President attend one of our meetings? YES
  - **The Nest - October 1st (Fest with the Nest)**
    - Free, open to community
    - Face painting, pumpkin decorating
    - Feast Day of St. Francis
    - 5-7pm

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday October 8 @6:30pm**