

Scotus Mothers Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2017
Held at the Picket Fence

Present: Kris Wurtz, Kelly Feehan, Jane Cline, Pat Engel, Lois Thalken, Deb Ohnoutka, Elaine Zoucha, Kathy Sliva, Kathie Kresha, Nicole Blaser, Symantha Aydt, Brandi Fleming, and Danelle Kratochvil.

Treasurer's Report: The beginning balance at September 1st was \$36,356.15 and the ending balance at October 31st was \$27,736.41. The big expenditure for this time period was the \$10,000.00 donation to the STEAM Lab. The Treasurer's report was motioned by Nicole Blaser and seconded by Pat Engel for approval. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Old Business: The minutes of the October 18th First Annual State of the School given by Mr. Jeff Ohnoutka have not been finalized but will be available once they are finalized. A thank you was received from Mr. Jeff Ohnoutka on behalf of Scotus and Chuck Hagel for the donation made by Scotus Mothers to the STEAM Lab.

Deb Ohnoutka and Danelle Kratochvil both spoke about the upcoming Craft Boutique on December 3rd. It was mentioned that there are some yard signs available to put in yards advertising the boutique and that they are still looking for adult and youth workers for the boutique.

It was mentioned that they still need 2 people to shadow for kitchen duties and 1 person to shadow for the boutique for 2018.

Nicole Blaser spoke about Student Academic Recognition which is set for January 31, 2018. The Little Theater is booked for this event as of now and she was given a list of six to eight different possible speakers for this. It will be held for Straight A and A Honor Roll students for the 1st semester. Not all the details have been finalized yet.

Discussion was held on what to do about the 2nd semester honorees. It was talked about doing this event once a year during Catholic Schools Week which would honor 2nd semester of the previous school year and 1st semester of the current school year. The committee is open to ideas and wants to see how the first one is received.

New Business: Fund raising was next on the agenda. Decals for winter sports need to be ordered by November 29th. Scotus Mothers have yard signs also that are available for sale – order forms are available on the website. Order forms will also be available at the admission table for the Craft Boutique.

Workers to sell merchandise are needed for the games at the winter sports – sign up will be on Facebook for parents to sign up to help.

There will be some new designs for shirts that Scotus Mothers will sell. The new designs of shirts they will only be able to buy through Scotus Mothers – people will not be able to go to Special T and order them. They are looking into baseball caps to sell.

A comment was made wondering about the status of the BSN website for merchandise. This will be looked into.

Kris Wurtz asked for some feedback on locations for future meetings. It was mentioned to maybe have the January meeting at Godfather's, February at Off Campus, March was undecided, and April at Hy-Vee. Discussion took place and was talked about to have one location where the noise would be very minimal. Hy-Vee and Chamber of Commerce was mentioned as possible locations to have the meetings. Kris Wurtz and Kelly Feehan will check into these locations.

Brandi Fleming asked about inviting 6th grade Moms to a Scotus Mothers meeting in the spring so that they can see how Scotus Mothers work and the benefits of helping the group by volunteering.

Discussion was then held on hosting an Activity & Volunteer Fair for incoming 9th grade parents on activities that will be available for their child once they become part of the high school. Example is that if you don't try out for Mock Trial as a freshman you are not able to try out in later grades.

The plan is to come up with the description of the activity, costs, time commitment, and other pertinent information for that activity. The ideal situation would be to have the sponsor and at least one student who is involved with the activity to answer any questions incoming students or parents may have. This information would also be on the website on Google Docs.

Next meeting: January 17th, 2018 location to be decided.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Cline, Secretary