

Seton Parents' Organization

April 14, 2010

Opening Prayer: Linda Gast

Linda congratulated the Music Department for their successful Music trip. She explained the awards the group received and emphasized the fact that the group received the Grand Championship trophy.

President's Report (Sister Ellen Marie Hagar)

- The administration and the parents group are working on the business plan.
- Returning student enrollment - deadline is April 15.
 - Sister Ellen Marie wanted to thank all the parents who registered with FACTS.
- There is going to be a restructuring of the Business and Development Offices
 - Terry O'Meara has moved to head the technology office. Kelly Horton has been hired to replace him in the Development Office. Stephanie Long is leaving as well and another person will be hired to replace her.
- Sister Ellen Marie reminded all the parents that exams are approaching and the students account must be paid in full before they can take the exams. Sister Dorothy informed Sister Ellen Marie that more than 300 student were currently in arrears.
- Sister Ellen Marie congratulated the athletes for their great season. One of or students will be going the Junior Olympics in Seoul
- A number of our students have recently served the poor as part of the Seton's Urban Plunge Retreat. Sister Ellen Marie was very proud of the girls who gave of themselves in the effort.

Principal's Report (Mrs. Pasterick) was not given since Mrs. Pasterick was not at the meeting.

Advancement Office (Mrs. McCart)

- 50th Anniversary Alumnae Reunion and Family Celebration Gala
 - "Showcase Seton: Past, Present, and Future" Gala will be held on 24 April.
 - Live and silent auctions, a student art show, as well as student dance, choral and instrumental performances will be featured
 - Volunteers are still needed for the event. There will be a meeting after the parent's organization meeting to discuss the volunteer assignments.

Parent Organization Business (Linda Gast)

- Parent Organization Scholarship
 - Linda thanked everyone who worked so hard on the scholarship. The Scholarship application is on the Seton website line and can be accessed from the parent organization page. A scholarship of \$1000 will be awarded to a student who in the spirit of the kindness and selflessness of Saint Elizabeth Seton have performed exceptional community service. Two signed and dated letters of recommendation from volunteer service supervisors or individuals who have personal knowledge of, or familiarity with, the applicant's voluntary service will be required. The deadline is 23 April
- Treasurer's Report
 - The treasurer's report covered one month with an outstanding payment of \$1500 to the Gala.
 - Outstanding costs for the year are the Baccalaureate Reception, the Senior Class Gifts and the summer projects to the school which is usually about \$10,000.
- Baccalaureate Reception on 1 June
 - A Chair person is needed for this event.
 - Mary Baugher and Janice Partenheimer explained a little about the event and what would be required for the chair person.
- After Prom Preliminary Discussion
 - The possibility of an after Prom for next year was discussed. Linda Gast has done some preliminary enquiries with the Student Union at the University of Maryland and since the prom is held on the campus, it would not be as far to go for the after prom. There would be an additional expense and there was a good deal of discussion on the extra costs involved. It was decided that a committee will be formed to gather information for next year and seek approval from the administration and parents.
- Next Meeting
 - The meeting on 5 May will cover the election of officers for the 2010 – 2011 school year.
 - The officers include President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. **Any parent interested in taking on the role of one of the officers for next year should contact Mrs. Leeanna Burke.**
 - The chairs for the major events next year will also be selected at the meeting.
- Theresa Hill, mother of Alex Hill won the \$200 tuition raffle.

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Submitted by, Janice Partenheimer, Secretary