

Date: 26 July 2009

Subject: Parents' Organization Officers Meeting

Attendees: Linda Gast, Javier Perez, Mary Baugher, Janice Partenheimer, Cookie Matthews

## 1. Proposed 09-10 Goals for Parent Organization

- Increase direct communication with Seton parents.
- Develop budgets and goals for all Parents' Organization events.
  - The Father/Daughter dance only charged half of what it should have charged. We do not want to lose money. Need to make sure we charge more for that event
  - Other sponsored events were discussed.
    - A golf tournament at one of the military base golf courses. Javier to check on Andrews and Janice to check about Ft. Meade
    - Spaghetti Dinner in the spring
- Work with Seton Administration to support long-term/major facility and curriculum improvement efforts.
  - Linda wants to work with the administration to assist in the decisions on the facility upgrades and projects.
  - We have ideas for the walkway and bathroom upgrades
  - We want to have a directory generated with the parents' expertise. There has to be parents with experience in plumbing, computers, contracting. For example, parents and students could have helped more with the computer lab upgrade saving the school money.
  - We want to see about getting donations for construction of the walkway
- Establish longer-term financial mechanisms to "give back" to parents.
  - See Parent's meeting drawing.
  - Want to establish a scholarship not associated to academics/sports/music but on other criteria – perhaps volunteer hours provided
- Increase direct involvement of and support to Seton students.
  - What about offering a scholarship for the student with the most volunteer hours? Need to budget for it consistently. Do not want to start something that we can not always deliver. Might not be able to do this right away.

## 2. Target Goal for Year-End Donation to Seton (May '10)

- The target goal to provide for school will be \$10,000.

## 3. Spaghetti Dinner

Need to contact Kathy Hall for publicity on the dinner. We should be able to cut back on the costs for the spaghetti dinner now that Javier has gone through it last year. Javier will speak to one of the helpers from last year to see if she would like to chair the event, if he does not find anyone, he will chair himself. Linda wants him to work with the chair to get an e-mail out to the parents next week. Mary will send Javier Kathy's e-mail address. Javier has a new e-mail address so he will send it to us. Linda wants the chair and committee in place by mid-August. Javier will talk to the Knights of Columbus to see if he can get them to donate time and effort. They are very familiar with doing this kind of thing and they would do the cooking versus us having it catered which means that it would be a much lower cost. The spaghetti dinner will be a profit making effort and the profits will go to the establishment of scholarship fund. There will be different prices for Adults and children with infants being free. Also, the price for those tickets purchased at the door will include an additional \$1.

## 4. Upcoming Meetings

- Tuition drawings
  - There will be a \$200 drawing at each meeting which will go to the tuition responsibilities for the winning parent.
  - \$1400 of the current balance will be set aside for this purpose since there are 7 meetings in the year which are open to all parents.
- Special Topics
  - Linda will send out a parents' announce to request topics. These would become workshops for special meetings, speakers or other type of workshops.
- August Meeting with Sister Ellen Marie
  - Linda will set up the meeting. Probably after work one day.
- September Meeting with Event Chairs

- September 2<sup>nd</sup> will be the meeting with all the event chairs. The spring chairs will have the option to attend or not as they see fit. There will be a similar meeting in January for the spring functions.

## 5. Parents' Org. Closet Inventory

- The closet will be inventoried at the September meeting.