

Holy Spirit School Board Meeting

February 13, 2024

6:00 pm

Mission: To inspire students to academic excellence, foster creativity, and ignite their hearts with love for God and neighbor.

Present: Caroline, Margie, Fr. Emil, Norma, Ric, Tenille, Peggy, Rita, Sarah

Absent: Sandra, Luis

School report by Margie:

1. Auction update--\$45,000+ cleared
2. Slide presentation to be given to current and new parents on Friday, Feb 16th
 - a. Will inform parents of new Strategic plan
 - b. Will include new tuition rates
 - i. Tuition schedule reviewed with board
 - c. Will include new block schedule that will address differentiated learning and will include multi-age classes (mostly 3-5th grades)
 - i. This block schedule will have all classes working on the same subjects at the same time
 - d. Scholarship options
 - i. New application form reviewed
 - ii. All current scholarships will still be honored
 - e. Calendar reviewed—will start August 21st—same as SD25
 - f. Summer Program: Around the World in 80 Days
 - i. 11 weeks

g. Fundraising:

- i. Sept Celebration: \$1200
- ii. Wreath sales: \$4,000
- iii. 365: \$18,491 (money in)
- iv. Auction \$45,000
- v. May: Family...?

--Ric suggests having a private questionnaire asking what do parents like or not like about HSCS

--Father Emil suggests moving meeting to parish hall rather than chapel and providing food

Margie going to accreditation meeting in March

Trainer was at school today for Super Kids reading program

Burning of palms in school playground today

365 Fundraising update by Caroline:

- a. \$18,000 money in, some may be for 2023, money coming in after November is for 2024
- b. Allison to make sure social media posts are being made regarding 365.
- c. School board will be in charge of mailing thank you cards and will sign at each meeting
- d. Monthly speaker at masses to provide spotlight of school, student and alumni update—17th and 18th
 1. First announcement to be done this weekend at the masses
 2. Caroline and Margie to put together speech to be given after masses.

Marketing Committee Report: Ric

- a. Ric provided summary and outline of marketing plan
- b. Facts sheets in English and Spanish are being developed
- c. Create testimonials
- d. Best bang for marketing buck is social media
- e. Will have different marketing for parish and for community
- f. Will also focus message to Spanish-speaking community
- g. Future planning to be getting alumni testimonials

*School board will be signing 365 thank you cards at next meeting

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 12th, 6:00 pm

Meeting adjourned 7:44