



**ST. THOMAS HIGH SCHOOL**  
**BASILIAN FATHERS – 1900**

St. Thomas High School  
Mothers' Club General Meeting  
November 10, 2020  
Minutes

**I. WELCOME/OPENING PRAYER**

The October 2020 General Meeting of the Mothers' Club was held via Zoom Conference on November 10, 2020 at 12:00pm. Holly Schlosser, President, called the meeting to order at 12:06pm and led us in Prayer.

Quorum - Yes  
Minutes Approved - Yes

**II. GUEST SPEAKER – Mike Netzel, Athletic Director**

- a. Gave appreciation message to students and families for the support of previous months, and to the school administration for allowing activities to go on.
- b. Gave an update on fall and winter sports. Per parents questions, gave additional information on Spring sports, saying all of them are already doing some preseason training.
  - i. Cross country had a successful fall season. It concluded with state runner up in Waco.
  - ii. Football is looking for playoff after Thanksgiving.
  - iii. Wrestling will be training soon.
    1. Per parents questions, Named all three new coaches (Mike LeHolm, Justin Joseph and Trace Billet) and said they anticipate to have a season.
  - iv. Soccer and basketball are already training
- c. Swimming is going on, with coach doing a great job finding meets.
- d. Lacrosse and rugby started training this week.
- e. Joplin Campus
  - i. It's open renovated Joplin gym. Basketball team is already using it.
  - ii. Weight room and training room are second to none, trainer did a phenomenal job. Invited parents to come and see it.
- f. Father Wilson baseball field
  - i. Hoping to break ground this month.
- g. Senior night for winter sports, there is not a date yet.

**III. SPECIAL GUESTS– Mark Bench and Dalas Dale, Herff Jones**

- a. Junior - Class rings
  - i. No class meetings this year.
  - ii. The school sent on October 30th a new online order. Rings must be ordered through this link (not directly on the website). Deadline is November 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - iii. There is an app on the email that you download and get your finger size. It normally goes on right hand, suggestion to help sons measure their fingers so there are no confusions.
- b. Senior information
  - i. A Senior fill out information form will come in a google doc on how name should be spelled in diploma.
  - ii. School will send information and link to request graduation announcements. School will set graduation date. Once the deadline is over there will be no more graduation announcements done.

**IV. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Dr. Dominguez '96**

- a. Picture day
  - i. Will be Wednesday and Friday. Regular dress day. Freshman, Sophomore & Junior classes only.
- b. Reminder of full remote learning between Thanksgiving and Christmas break.
  - i. Final communication will be sent Friday before Thanksgiving break with information about the following weeks.
- c. Reminder of survey sent Monday to all parents.

- i. Closes Thursday night. Senior staff leaders will analyze it during the weekend. School will review it during the week to discuss parents' input about a decision for Spring
  - d. To come back at 100% capacity is the objective, but we've been very cautious.
    - i. Whatever decision is made, we know some will not agree.
    - ii. We are having different feedbacks, including The Texas Medical Center. We are meeting with our medical council, including Texas Methodist, so have input and guidance from them.
    - iii. There is not a final decision but the hope is to have an academic schedule between the break of Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will share it before the holidays and will have a tentative decision about Spring before Christmas break, but this can change depending on how things are going.

#### V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Father Murphy, CSB

- a. Thank you for a great success for the Gala.
  - i. Great party Saturday night.
  - ii. Impressed and in awe with all the work with the gala team work.
  - iii. We did the most of we can do.
- b. Thank you for making Father-Son masses a success.
  - i. We had two amazing liturgies.
  - ii. We are hoping for a beautiful Mother-Son mass on Spring.
- c. Official blessing of Joplin Campus will take place next Wednesday.
  - i. Mr. & Mrs. Joplin will be here.
  - ii. We are already using the weight room space.
  - iii. New Father Wilson field, we are waiting to start but process is moving forward.
- d. Basilian Residence.
  - i. Mr. Froboese and others are looking for what the Basilian Residence will look like. It is listed as a residency with the city, we are working on changing it so we can make a more useful facility for the school.
- e. Holiday masses
  - i. On Thanksgiving week we will have one streamed mass on Thanksgiving morning, maybe at 9:00 or 9:30.
  - ii. Christmas Eve Mass, most likely it will be at 4:00 pm, stream from chapel.
- f. Hall of Honor
  - i. In January we are adding 5 alumni to Hall of Honor: Raymond Bourgeois, Albert Clay, Lieutenant Colonel Timothy Gatlin, William Joplin, and Most Reverend George Sheltz.
- g. Coronavirus
  - i. Importance keeping safety measures to avoid the virus spread.
  - ii. Met with principals of other Catholic high schools.
  - iii. Makes all sense to have remote training during both breaks.

#### VI. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. President – Holly Schlosser
  - i. No Report
- b. Vice President – Mary Yokubaitis
  - i. No Report
- c. Treasurer – Lizette Rumohr
  - i. Forms uploaded for reimbursement
- d. Communication Secretary – Alicia De Alva
  - i. There is a lot going on so read the newsletter
- e. Recording Secretary – Alicia de Alva in place of Gwen McKeehan
  - i. Call for September Minutes to be approved
    - 1. Motion – Meryl Gregory
    - 2. Second – Holly Schlosser
- f. Past President – Meryl Gregory
  - i. Reported about different committees (see below)

#### VII. BIG THREE

- a. Round Up
  - i. Amber Caver
    - 1. It's one of our three big.
    - 2. It is a bazaar, food market, carnival, raffle, auction.

3. Hoping it will look like last year
  - ii. Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
    1. Kick off will be in January.
  - iii. Looking for a lot of volunteers, alumni, parents, students. Commitment is for three meeting and Round Up Day.
    1. Round Up 1-0-1 and volunteer Sign Up links were shared in the chat.
    2. Students time count for service hours.
  - iv. Mark de Tranaltes
    1. We sell raffle tickets. On average we sell half a million dollars in six weeks. It's a challenging and ambitious goal.
    2. Tickets are \$5 and there are 4 tickets per book, so \$20 per book. Every student is responsible to sell one quota - \$300. We ask parents not to write a check, it is responsibility of each student to sell their quota. We want students to sell their tickets, talk over the phone or face to face, they need to develop these skills as part of their growth.
    3. Prizes: Ford Ranger with sports package, iPhone 12 and Xbox 5.
- b. Auction/Gala – Catherine Rentz, Christine Cummins, Julie Perry and Catherine Chandler
    - i. Thank you from chairs.
    - ii. Pickup Thursday and Friday for items and wine pool.
    - iii. Paddles up and teachers wish list are still on and they will be matched 100% up to \$10,000. Deadline this Friday.
  - c. Style Show – Meryl Gregory
    - i. Will take place in Spring.
    - ii. 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
    - iii. Senior will model with their mothers.
    - iv. Exciting news are coming out soon.

## VIII. STANDING COMMITTEES

- a. Christmas Decorating
  - i. Dr. D. asked to decorate before break.
  - ii. Even though there will be remote learning, we are decorating because we want to be festive, we will have visits with tours and open houses, and staff will be at STH.
  - iii. Monday at 9:00 am, meet Meryl in Cemo to decorate.
- b. Eagles Elves
  - i. Anita Bryant leads Eagles Angels (meals, players, extra help). This has a side group: Eagle Elves.
  - ii. Families who need extra help at Christmas time. We shop and buy things for them.
  - iii. You can contribute by donating financially or helping with shopping.
- c. Young Life
  - i. National organization. Groups with Duchesne, IWA and STH. First catholic YL group in Houston.
  - ii. Group for kids to get to know Jesus and other kids. Meet every other Monday.
  - iii. Will continue after Thanksgiving break.
  - iv. Contact Meryl Gregory or Amy Huggins for more information.
- d. Social Events – Heather Curran Kelly & Stephanie Bourg
  1. November 15 – Sunday at Becks Prime Memorial Park, from 4:00 - 6:00
    - a. Wear red, look for us
- e. Cookie Committee – September was a huge success!
  - i. October dates – October 23 & 26
  - ii. Next November 12 & 13
    1. Sign Up Genius available in Mothers' Club Newsletter to bake or distribute
- f. Eagle Treats
  - i. October 29, staff goodie bag
  - ii. November 29, individual packages of pie for faculty and staff
    1. Donations in MC newsletter, donate via Eagle Store.
  - iii. December, \$5 Starbucks gift cards. Donate via eagle store or drop-off o the front office.

## IX. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Counselors thank you treats.
  - i. Organized by Meryl Gregory
- b. Homecoming
  - i. October 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - ii. Music Guild make it work selling mums in a short period of time
- c. Father-Son mass
  - i. No breakfast but Felicia Sutton (chair) handed out Halloween treats (goodie bags for students) on Oct 29 & 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### X. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Mother – Son Masses
  - i. Will take place on Spring
- b. Christmas Luncheon
  - i. December 8 at Damian's
  - ii. Angie Clinton, Christmas Luncheon Chair.
  - iii. Check-in will be at 10:30. Valet parking.
  - iv. Buy tickets eagle store. Seats are limited so reserve soon. \$55.
  - v. Drive for Depelchin's Children Center... bring diapers, baby toys and more. See details on the newsletter.
- c. Eagle Hangout: once a week meetings between Senior/Freshmen.
  - i. MC is proving treats per request of the Administration.
  - ii. Reach out to Holly for assembly next week.
- d. Yoga and Mimosas
  - i. Kelly McPhee, annual fund coordinator.
  - ii. Tuesday Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, 9am. Everyone is welcome.
  - iii. It will last 30-45 minute yoga class. Bring your own mat.
  - iv. Breakfast bites, mimosas.
  - v. Booster club will be there.
- e. Christmas gift fund
  - i. Instead of buying individual presents, MC put together the Christmas Gift Fund.
  - ii. Anonymous donations, available on the Eagle Store. Checks can also be dropped off. Collection will be until December 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - iii. Fund evenly distributed around faculty and staff.
- f. Next Meeting, Tuesday, December 8th at Damian's

#### XI. UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 10th - December 15th - Christmas Gift Fund for faculty and staff
- November 12 & 13 - Cookie Committee
- November 15 - Moms' Social – Beck's Prime
- November 19- Eagle Treats, slices of pie for faculty and staff.
- December 1 - Moms, Morning Yoga and Mimosas at 9am, Hotze Field.
- December 1 - Booster Club Christmas Merchandise Sale - 9am, Stadium.
- December 8 - Mothers' Club Christmas Luncheon at Damian's at 10:30am and Baby Drive for Depelchin.
- December 10 – Eagle Treats – Christmas GC

#### XII. Meeting adjourned 1:26pm