



ST. THOMAS HIGH SCHOOL
BASILIAN FATHERS – 1900

St. Thomas High School
Mothers' Club General Meeting
March 9, 2021
Minutes

I. WELCOME/OPENING PRAYER

The March 2021 General Meeting of the Mothers' Club was held via Zoom Conference on March 9, 2021 at 12:00pm. Holly Schlosser, President, called the meeting to order at 12:03pm and led us in Prayer.

Quorum - Yes
Minutes Approved - Yes

II. GUEST SPEAKER – Joe O'Brien, Director of Student Activities

a. Very successful Round Up

- i. Letter writing and the phone component brought in over \$90,000, which broke the school record. Encourage your son to participate next year. It's a great learning experience
- ii. Last week we celebrated with a crawfish boil and chicken wing tailgate
- iii. We are in the process of looking at dates for the 3+ quota sellers lunch
 1. 4+ sellers receive STH Gear
 2. 5+ sellers receive a day at Top Golf
- iv. Recently Student Council approached the administration about expanding the space in the Grove and having extended lunch. This was approved by administration
 1. Outdoor games and microwaves were added to the space as well
 2. In the coming weeks we will do the same for the younger boys in the court yard, but without extended lunch
- v. March 10 there will be a Student Council meeting to discuss the following
 1. Prom – April 10
 - a. Will be held on the football field so that they can have a DJ and Dancing and still comply with Covid restrictions
 2. Amending the Constitution to reflect the House system
 - a. Keep election between classes
 - b. Elect one member from each house to the Council
 3. Walk-a-thon activities
 - a. Lunch for each class
 - b. Crawfish Boil
 - c. Trip to Top Golf
- vi. I will be talking to the boys who are deficient in service hours to help them fill in their service hours over the next 2 months

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Father Jim Murphy, CSB

- a. Thank you to everyone who help make Round Up a huge success!!
 - i. The support and leadership from the Chairs was outstanding
- b. This senior class is very special. The business office was very complementary about how well the boys worked together. Incredible leadership
- c. The last few weeks we have had events on campus almost every day. Games and other activities. Please encourage your sons to hang around after school to take advantage of these activities
 - i. This is possible because we have been safe, we have been smart, we have been following all of our procedures. Because of this, we are having all of these events.
 - ii. In a few weeks the Drama department will be putting on their first show in a year and a half. Please encourage everyone to come out to support the production.
- d. The former Basilian residence building
 - i. Plans to update offices over the summer
 - ii. Building is meant to be a place for adults to meet

- e. Please continue to be safe and follow proper protocols so that we can finish the school year with planned activities
- f. Again, thank you to Jodi, Amber and Barbara for their work planning and pulling off a successful Round-Up!

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

- a. There will be an End of Week Communication with this information
- b. Award Night – 2 separate events to show case our academic accomplishments in person
 - i. April 14 – will be in person, streamed and recorded
 - ii. 9th & 10th graders – 4:00pm-5:30pm
 - iii. 11th & 12th grades – 6:15pm for the big awards
 - iv. Limited number of adults per student – in doors in the gym
- c. Juniors
 - i. March 30 ACT on campus
 - ii. April 13 SAT on campus
 - iii. April 25 at 11:00am Ring Mass
- d. Seniors
 - i. Senior retreat on campus at 5:00pm
- e. Admissions
 - i. All acceptances are finalized and working on financial aid packages
 - 1. Letters going out Friday, March 12 via email and regular mail
 - 2. New Eagle Welcome will be in person on March 26
 - 3. Registration Night will be April 7
 - 4. There is no target admissions number. Not our goal to grow the school exponentially. Keeping numbers at a manageable number.
- f. We have had a lot of conversation about how to keep students connected and to make opportunities for the boys to bond while being respectful to the staff. This is getting easier as more and more faculty and staff are getting vaccinated.

V. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. President –Holly Schlosser
 - i. No Report
- b. Vice President – Mary Yokubaitis
 - i. No Report
- c. Treasurer – Lizette Rumohr
 - i. No Report
- d. Communication Secretary – Alicia De Alva
 - i. No Report
- e. Recording Secretary – Gwen McKeehan
 - i. Call for February 2021 Minutes to be approved
 - 1. Motion – Meryl Gregory
 - 2. Second – Jodi Diamond
- f. Past President – Meryl Gregory
 - i. 2021/2022 Executive Board Nominations
 - 1. Open for another week or two – information in the Newsletter
 - ii. Also looking for volunteers interested in chairing some of our standing committees and special events

VI. BIG THREE

- a. Auction – Catherine Rentz
 - i. Spring Nutcracker Market Bus Trip Event
 - 1. April 16 – Bus leaves at 6:30am and returns to campus in time to pick up boys
- b. Round Up – Amber Caver, Jodi Diamond, Barbara Villafranca and Mark DeTranaites
 - i. Sunday, March 7 Noon-4:00pm – HUGE success!!
 - ii. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and donated items
 - 1. Special thanks to Sergio and his crew
 - iii. It was a challenge to convert our traditional fun event to a drive through CARnival
 - 1. Lots of positive feed back
 - 2. 235 people purchased food and auction items through BidPal

3. 40 cars that drove through between 12:00-4:00 that had not purchased in advance
 - a. Shout out to Matt Michaels, owner of a Chick-Fil-A, he came in and trained the boys on food delivery. We could not have done it without him.
 4. BidPal Purchases
 - a. 147 drive through game packages
 - b. 48 Briskets (missing briskets will be ready Thursday, March 11), 470 papusas, 161 taco plates, 71 wild game meals, 100 sausage on a stick, 148 gumbo/red beans and rice, 145 Kona Ice Cups, 65 carwashes
 - c. Eggrolls
 - i. 2250 eggrolls pre-purchased
 - ii. If you would still like to purchase eggrolls, Jennifer will take orders this week, she will deliver them to the school March 29
 1. Purchase through the regular Round Up link
 5. If you had your picture taken with Tom Eagle, check your email for link to download your photo
 6. Raffle Winners
 - a. 3rd – Parent of 2005, Edward Prudom
 - b. 2nd – STH Coach Rich McGuire – Big Screen TV and Xbox X
 - i. He was excited about the TV
 - ii. Gave the Xbox to the student who sold him the ticket, Josh King
 - c. 1st – Grandmother of Harrison Watts – Patricia Rayburn
- c. Style Show – Meryl Gregory, Gwen McKeenan
- i. Moving forward to have an in-person event on April 30
 - ii. With things opening up, we are still working on what the event will look like
 - iii. We have 60-70 moms modeling
 - iv. Hope to finalize things in the next few weeks

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

- a. Social Events – Heather Curran Kelly & Stephanie Bourg
 - i. Yoga and Mimosas has been rescheduled for May 15
 - ii. March 30 – Picnic
 1. In front of the advancement office
 2. Silver Stone Events will offer boxed lunches
 - a. Prepared menu to be ordered and we will pick them up for you
 - b. Please email Heather directly so that she knows to pick up your order
 3. Rain Plan – move inside advancement office
 - iii. April 8 – Art and Wine Night
 1. Supporting St. Thomas moms as well as the Annual Fund
 2. Katy Antill Art Studio
 3. Estelle Love from Scout and Cellar Wines will be providing wine
 4. Art and wine will be available for purchase with a portion of proceeds being donated to the Annual Fund
 5. Advancement will be providing light bites
 6. Accepting 30-40
 7. Please RSVP to Stephanie stephbourg@me.com
- b. Mentor Moms – Stephanie Yankowsky, Candice Croker, Emily Guyre
 - i. Purpose is both informational and Social to support freshman families
 - ii. Duties
 1. Have at least one representative show up to the Mentor Mom Social on May 1
 2. Host 2 events over the summer
 3. Make contact with the families
 4. Monitor a facebook group to answer questions
 - iii. Regions
 1. Need moms for 5 regions at this time – We would like to have at least 2 per region
 - a. Midtown and South area
 - b. Galleria Inner Loop
 - c. North area including Klein, Woodlands and Spring
 - d. Southwest Houston including Sugar Land

- e. Central East including as far out as Bay Town
- c. Cookie Committee
 - i. March 29 – Still need volunteers – Sign Up Genius in the Newsletter
- d. Eagle Treats
 - i. March 10 – Pot of Gold
 - ii. April 8 – Hippity Hoppity Easter
 - iii. May TBD – Rodeo Theme

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- i. Mother Son Mass – March 31
 - 1. Flower Memorial Donations in memorial of moms, aunts, grandmothers, sister or any loved one you would like to honor
 - 2. Via Eagle Store

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- i. Campus Ministry – March 9 at 7:00pm in Reckling Gym
 - 1. Division, Conflict, and Struggle: Cooperating with the Holy Spirit in your Home
 - a. STH Alumni Ennie Hickman '99
 - b. Darla Hickman – Former Eagle Mom

X. UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 12 – End of 3rd Quarter
- March 15-19 – Spring Break
- March 22-26 – Remote Learning
- March 31 – Mother Son Mass
- April 2 – Easter Holiday
- April 13 – Next General Mothers' Club Meeting
- April 30 – Style Show
- May 1 – Mentor Mom Social
- May 14 – Spring Luncheon

XI. Meeting adjourned 12:53