



St. Thomas High School – Mothers' Club Meeting

January 13, 2022

Agenda

- I. Welcome/Opening Prayer Father Jim Murphy, CSB
20 in attendance, 26 on zoom
- II. President's Report Father Jim Murphy, CSB
- Lots going on this semester
 - Stay as close to normal as possible [changes: masks - keeping boys safe, change in schedule]
 - Point out 2 deaths in our community over Christmas break
 - Father Al Gaelens, former principal of STHbis
 - Bishop George Scheltz '63 – alum, at funeral mass Cardinal Dinardo spoke about how proud Bishop Scheltz was to be a STH alum and being inducted in Hall of Honor
 - Hall of Honor – every 2 years honoring best of alumni
 - Capital Master Campus Plan – Butler Cohen PPK – building / determining needs to integrate Joplin with current campus [Bo Huggins is the chair of the committee to address needs for future], process of planning - outreach to certain stakeholders including parents to get input into process of campus plan, drawing knowledge and aspects from all areas of STH community
 - Mass changes for semester: Mondays morning at 7:20am, Tuesdays at 11am
 - Next Tuesday Memorial Mass: honor Bishop Rizzoto and Willie Madden, alums of STH, anniversary of death is upcoming Sunday
 - Keep things as close to normal as possible
- III. Principal's Report Dr. Aaron Dominguez '96
- Grateful for Mother's Club and everything you do
 - Senior Moms – Son received an email from Mary Criaco asking them to write exactly how son's name written on diploma, contact Mary if need to make sure it's exactly how you want it.
 - Schedule changes – STH doesn't change a student schedule

- If had to change a number of classes, changing Master schedule would be difficult with rooms assignments, class sizes, etc.
- Changes before May 15th for the upcoming school year
- Monday – MLK Holiday
- Friday January 28th – Perspective Student Athlete Night [basketball and soccer games]
 - Encourage families to RSVP and come

IV. Guest Speaker Joe O'Brien, Director of Student Activities and Director of Service and Round Up Committee

- Director of Student Activities
 - Nonathletic organization
 - Great Orientation and Homecoming Dance [thanks to the moms who coordinated event]
 - Walk A Thon [finalize dates and holidays, we will schedule the Walk A Thon events]
- Director of Service – 25 hours required per year, concerned and want emphasis on quality of service
 - Goal to leave STH knowing they are called to do service throughout their lives
 - Regular Off Campus Opportunities –
 - Medical Bridges: send medical equipment and supplies all over the world
 - CCSC – close to Lamar High School, help that community, expand program next year and might include moms volunteering along sons
 - Prom – teaming up with Duchesne at Museum of Natural Science [first time we've joined a sister school], Weekend of April 22 and 23, Juniors and Senior Prom
 - Round Up – phone a thon and letter writing campaign to families struggling to achieve quota or encourage students to sell more
 - Do NOT buy your son's first quota [buy 2nd or 3rd or match]
 - Phone-a-thon – Monday to Thursday 6:30 – 8pm
 - just need to sign up with Mr. O'Brien
 - Last night one student sold \$900 at phone a thon
 - Letter packet, 25 alumni per group, son just needs to sign their name to send [approximately 10,000 letters to send out]
 - Eagle Guards – great group this year
 - Guides and supports boys dreams and ideas, instead of moms being involved, want the boys to own and embrace their STH experience

V. Officer Reports

A. President Amber Caver

- Thank you to STH Community and Family
 - Christmas decorating – Felicia Sutton, Paige Dominey, Michelle Marlar, Lisa Weaver, Angela Platsas, Jenny Hanks, Shawna Jones, Julie Perry
 - Eagle Treats – Christmas luncheon catered by Fajita Petes, poinsettias for faculty and staff Paula Marsh, Dawn Griffiths, Kara Trail, Winn Davis, Fatima Maniar
 - January – healthy treats, and Fajita Petes again
 - Mom’s gift exchange and social – at Heather Curran house, Stephanie Bourg co-hosted with Heather
 - Open House in January – Max and Emily Guyre [Admission Liason], well attended and sharing warmth of STH with families
 - MC Luncheon at Damians, fun, delicious and great to be in person– Rachel Little
 - Eagle Elves – Alejandra Pacini — families received aid after health issues or financial situations
 - Teacher Fund – record level for faculty and staff, received a beautiful Christmas bonus
 - Mother Son Mass – great reception in courtyard to celebrate with our boys, Felicia Sutton, Christine Cummins, Shawn Savarino, EJ Meyers, Coach Q, Grover Green, Casey Johnson, Sergio and his team
 - Cookies – Paige Dominey, always a huge treat for our sons each month

B. Vice President Raeanne Walker

- HNY and Welcome Back
- Thanks to everyone who helped out the past month
- Excited about Spring – Round Up and Style Show
- Find a place to plug in and jump in, we can use all hands and there’s a place for you

C. Treasurer Jenny Hanks

- Receipts to get reimbursed

D. Communications Tina Wusterhausen

- No report
- E-news information – send to Tina

E. Recording Secretary Julie Perry

- Angela approve minutes, Heather seconded

F. Past President Holly Schlosser

VI. Big 3 Updates

A. Style Show Gwen McKeehan, Angela Platsas, Lisa Weaver

- Thank you for volunteers – so many places to get plugged in, contact Angela or Lisa if you are still interested in volunteering
- Senior Class – continue to register to participate, deadline is tomorrow
- Volunteers should have received email, if not email Angela

- Buy jewelry, notecards via the Eagle Store [good for Senior mom gifts]

B. Round Up

Melina Bellomo, Michelle Marlar, Barbara Villafranca

- March 6th
- Get everyone involved and raise \$ for a great cause
- 3 Committee Chairs: Food, Big Red Market, Games – new vendors, new food, new games this year
- Theme Rollout during meetings – Urban Cowboy
- Boys are ready to go with RU, good feedback from boys and getting them pumped up and ready
- Looking for ideas for new vendors – food, games or BRM
- All information is on website: sign up genius for baskets, wish lists, volunteer, contact info
- Three Meetings: Jan 20th, Feb 17th, March 3rd [first 2 meetins are hybrid]
- Looking for volunteers – small to large jobs, a place for anyone
- Sponsors: reach out to Paige Dominey for sponsorship, families can sponsor, sponsors on back of tshirt
- Showcase Vendors:
 - Lilly Chic Boutique – bags, jewelry, clothing, apparel
 - Be Bliss Jewelry – religious and non-religious pieces – beautiful and affordable
- Come and volunteer, make best RU they've had in years
- 33% boys at STH on scholarship and RU funds those scholarships

C. Auction/Gala

Angie Clinton, Julie Perry, Stephanie Yankowsky

V. Standing Committee & Special Events

A. Social Events

Heather Curran Kelly, Stephanie Bourg

January 19th Lunch at Adair Kitchen at 11:30 [1561 San Felipe]

Spring Semester – mix of lunch and evening events, bringing back Bunco, events will be posted as finalized

B. Cookie Committee – 625 boys and faculty and staff, one month down to 8 cookies

- Boys love this days
- Next Tuesday – Senior Moms only to distribute cookies
- Sign up, bake or donate
- Regular size cookies are fine

C. Eagle Treats

Enews link – always looking for volunteers

D. Young Life – first YL is January 24th at 7:13pm, Joplin campus, remind boys, girls from Duchesne and IWA are also involved

VI. New Business

A. Mothers' Club Board 2022 – 2023 Self Nomination

Junior Moms – submit application, due March 5th, consider being an officer, on MC page, click and submit to Catherine Chandler

VII. Closing Comments

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 17, 2022 – MLK Holiday

January 19, 2022 – Lunch at Adair Kitchen

January 20, 2022 – First Round Up Meeting

January 28, 2022 – Feast Day of St. Thomas Aquinas

January

Next Mothers' Club Mass & General Meeting will be Thursday, February 10th, 2022 at noon [mass at 11am]

Adjourned at 12:42pm