



St. Thomas High School – Mothers' Club Meeting
March 10, 2022 Agenda

12:10pm started meeting [26 in attendance, 15 on zoom]

- I. Welcome/Opening Prayer Father Jim Murphy, CSB

- II. Guest Speaker Mike Netzel, Director of Athletics
Sports at STH:
 - 10 sports going on with a lot of home events and many hours spent at STH making sure everything is going ok at STH with Athletics, healthy program
 - Solid athletic year and proud of our teams, bar set high for following years
 - Coaches hoped for a little more than where we got

 - TAPPS Basketball Championships 10 starters – 9 just transferred into the school, district runners up
We welcome our transfers but we try to protect and celebrate the 4 year process
 - Cross Country and Track
 - Swim Team – Dad's Club pool, 2 state championships, broke 3-4 school records
 - Wrestling – 3rd at TAPPS, 5 sent Nationals, young team, Joplin campus great for wrestling
Hosted Wrestling State Tournament – well hosted, organized and ran very well: Jennifer Lanlin and Amy Constantine invited alumni wrestlers to come and help out and everyone they reached out to showed up
 - Soccer Team – tough loss in Regional Finals, best 6 years of soccer these last 6 years
 - Rugby
 - LAX – scuffling, playing teams in upper divisions
 - Golf
 - Tennis – top 2 undefeated
 - Baseball – good start
 - Track & Field – won past 2 meets, set up for Championships

 - Football Signings: Jake Wright – Pitt State, Wyatt Green – Trinity, Cameron Price – Yale
 - LAX Signing: Gavin Mott

 - Prospective Athlete Night – over 165 athletes here on campus, great turnout

 - Joplin Facilities – weight room, facilities room, auxiliary gym, Father Wilson field score board, opens 2 new practice fields

 - 15 years at STH and proud of what achieve here and what we are building

 - Spring Break – Turf worked upon and into May and June

 - National Federation offers Continuing Education for coaches during the summer and attend conferences each year
 - Keep supporting STH and volunteer when needed and remind husbands not to coach sons up too much but be biggest fan
 - Sports teams have Instagram pages

III. President's Report

Father Jim Murphy, CSB

- Thank you for all support for Round Up
- Leadership for Senior Board – helped to grow the middle, rather than tell younger kids to sell your quota, challenging every student, overall growth of guys who took ownership of stepping up game, testament to Senior Leaders, Juniors not daunted by new record
- Share experience – Max Manning selling beef jerky at BRM and sold out on Saturday night. Alum, Jason Maida went to talk to Max to establish a connection with him to talk about business, Round Up, STH, etc. He took the time to celebrate one of the STH Freshmen – highlight of what was put in place.
- Crazy months ahead – be gentle with Senior moms. The boys mindsets, personality, etc might have changed overnight with college acceptances, etc
- New Eagle Welcome & Registration Night
- Graduation – prepare our Seniors for what's next and prepare our new class who will start STH.
- Moms don't need to break up with us and many Tom's Moms came to Round Up and were home.
- Be mindful of any challenges sons and other moms will be going through during these times
- Little Shop of Horrors – first weekend in April, Mr. Green and Mrs. Shipman put on an amazing show, encourage you go to go see the STH productions, along with the choir
- Come and celebrate STH when you can just like Round Up – a pure celebration of STH.
- Thank you for all that you do for STH.

IV. Principal's Report

Dr. Aaron Dominguez '96

- Friday marks the end of the quarter – game time for sons to get grades where they need to be. Grades due at 3:10, March 11th.
- Parent/Teacher Conference – sending live link today at 4pm, if don't have a spot, email the teacher and find time to meet
- Round Up – in spirit of Round Up gave boys another holiday – Monday after Spring Break is a new Round Up holiday
- Admissions – tomorrow is the day STH sends out letters and electronic delivery tomorrow afternoon
- March 25th – New Eagle Welcome – pizza ovens, Rajun Cajun crawfish and fresh fried fish, big celebrations
- March 31st – Freshman Registration
- Everything points to a nice size Freshman class, growth we want to make as a school
- 2022-2023 school year – all dates are online
 - Faculty Staff – Aug 2nd
 - School Starts – Aug 8th
 - Aquinas Week – Aug 19th – 23rd

Christmas Holiday December 19th – January 4th

Spring Break – March 13th – 17th

Easter [Friday and Monday off]

Graduation – May 20, 2023

- Goal – 183 students, but goal is to bring in the right students, more important to enroll a class a young men to persist to Graduation, concern about retention, data back 30 years presents problem of retaining boys to graduation, promise to our families to deliver Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge

V. Officer Reports

A. President

Amber Caver

- Thank you and congrats to Round Up ladies and Round Up team
 - Thank You to Steven Cummings and advancement office, finance and business office
 - Melina – enthusiasm, Eagle Court
 - Barbara – coordinated carnival with such a positive attitude
 - Paige – stepped up in January, brought new food vendors
 - Stephanie – BRM
- Thank you to Jenny Hanks for coordinating lunch
- Thank you to Ben Hayworth, tech support who sets up for our meetings

B. Vice President

Raeanne Walker

C. Treasurer

Jenny Hanks

No report

D. Communications

Tina Wusterhausen

eNews goes out on Tuesdays – Sunday night prior is deadline to get information to Tina

E. Recording Secretary

Julie Perry

Minutes approved by Angela Platsas, seconded by Emily Guyre

F. Past President

Holly Schlosser

VI. Big 3 Updates

A. Round Up

Melina Bellomo, Michelle Marlar, Barbara Villafranca

- \$670, 610!!
- Thank you to the co-chairs and everyone involved
- Community stepped up in a big way
- Max sold out both days!
- Bring back big RU days – everyone has a Round Up story
 - Father Murphy performing was such a good Round Up story
 - So many obstacles preparing for Round Up [dropped the mic]
- Paige – thank sons for selling their quota and how they interacted with others at their booths, they showed spirit of STH. The boys stepped up and represented their school, worked together and showed service heart

- Thank you the sponsorships and food vendors [some amazing alums: Craft Pita, El Rey, Rajun Cajun, Pizzatolas] who stepped up to support Round Up. Thank you to everyone because it took a team.
- Anyone interested – contact chairs and tell someone so you can get involved

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

- Friday, April 29th at 10:30, River Oaks Country Club
- End of “Social Season” at STH to honor men and moms of STH for their Senior year
- Theme: Men of St. Thomas “Explore the World”
- Lisa – works with model moms and boys – 68 model moms – over half of the Senior moms participating
- Model moms – need to submit styling form and tip \$40 [check to STH]
- Sign Up – modeling moms to go to Dillards and work with Tamara to get outfit for Style Show
- Make sure their sons have all their items for the style show [Paige Dominey will be in charge of boys clothes]
- Style show – ½ way sold out, table reservations release this week [encourage to get table ready]
- Anticipating sold out Style Show
- Mystery Bags – goal is 100 bags, worth at least \$50 each
Wish list and donor form if interested in donating to mystery bag
- Necklace, Bracelet, Notecards – opportunity to purchase
- Decorations – April 28th to arrange flowers, volunteers needed

C. Auction/Gala Angie Clinton, Julie Perry, Stephanie Yankowsky
Socialables Party Openings

- College Basics 101 on March 27th
- Spring Nutcracker Market on April 8th

V. Standing Committee & Special Events

- Social Events Heather Curran Kelly, Stephanie Bourg
 - Yoga & Mimosas, Saturday, March 26th, 9am – 11am, STH Joplin Gym [new campus]
 - RSVP by March 21st
 - Bring own yoga mat
 - Mimosa and snacks
 - Yoga instructor: Jennifer Haas Parent Class of 2025
 - Partnering with Annual Fund
 - Bunco with Annual Fund on Giving Tuesday, April 12th, 6:30pm, Cemo Auditorium
 - RSVP by April 7th
 - Giving Tuesday – be as generous as you can on that day
 - Partnering with Annual Fund
- Cookie Committee Paige Dominey
 - March 11th next Cookie Break [full and have enough cookies – thanks for all the bakers and donations]
 - April 13th April Cookie Break – volunteers still needed
- Eagle Treats Dawn Griffiths, Paula Marsh, Fatima Maniar
 - March 9th – Breakfast Treats
 - April 6th – Spring Picnic – volunteers on Sign Up Genius
- Admissions Events for Class of 2026 Emily Guyre
 - New Eagle Welcome on March 25th and Eagle Registration on March 31st
 - Volunteer spots available – no check in table, just welcoming the families

- March 31st – only 10 volunteers needed [already have 8 volunteers] in the gym, food and Booster Club
- Mentor Mom Emily Guyre, Candice Croker, Stephanie Yankowsky
 - Regional Mentor Moms needed – sign up to be a mentor mom
- Prom Maria Morfin
 - Gift Cards for Giveaway at Prom
 - April 22nd – Museum of Natural Science “Jurassic Prom”
 - Needed: gift cards for giveaway at prom
 - Juniors and Seniors only
 - Look for Communication from Dean of Students office with information

VI. Old Business

- Mothers’ Club Board 2022 – 2023 Self Nominations
 - Excited for the large number of interest in board for next year
 - 2022 – 2023 events: volunteers needed for chairs for next year’s events

VII. New Business

- Mothers’ Club By Law Changes
 - Revisions discussed and approved [see By Laws, edited March 2022]
 - Motion to move Angela Platsas, second Paige Dominey

VIII. Closing Comments/Meeting Adjourned

- Mothers’ Club Spring Luncheon on May 13th – everyone welcome!
- Chris Peters – chairing graduation, contact Chris or Amber if interested in helping out

Next Mothers’ Club Mass & General Meeting will be Thursday, April 14th at noon

Meeting adjourned 1:30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS (Check for times on the STH Website)

March 11 – End of 3rd Quarter

March 14-18 – Spring Break

March 21 – New Round Up Holiday

March 22 and 23 – Parent Teacher Conferences

March 25 – Mass [mass uniform required]

March 25 – New Eagle Welcome

March 26 – Yoga & Mimosas

March 31 – Eagle Registration

April 1 – Round Up Holiday

April 1 – 3 – Spring Musical

April 8 – Round Up Holiday

April 10 – Junior Ring Mass

April 13 – Academic Awards

April 14 – Mothers' Club Meeting

April 15 – 18 – Easter Holiday

April 22 – Round Up Holiday

April 22 – Prom at Museum of Natural Science

April 29 – Round Up Holiday

April 29 – Style Show

May 5 – Mentor Moms Social

May 13 – Spring Luncheon at Junior League

May 20 – Baccalaureate Bash

May 21 – Baccalaureate Mass & Graduation