

Parents Club Meeting

March 29, 2011

President Rhonda Hogan called the meeting to order. Mrs. Cornelis gave the opening prayer. The officers for 2010-2011 and for 2011-2012 were introduced. They are as follows:

President: Rhonda Hogan

Vice President: Anne Hartley

Treasurer: Paul Schmitt

Secretary: Allen / Erin DeFrieze

Principal's Report was given by Jane Barrett.

Easter Break will be from Good Friday, April 22 until the following Monday with classes resuming on Tuesday, April 26th. This is one day earlier than previously announced due to the need to make up a snow day.

Students in the 2nd and 8th grades will be celebrating First Communion and Confirmation. Parents should watch for information on these events from their parishes.

Student Council week will be held this week. Fund will be used to support various charities.

This year during Holy Week the students will be supporting two charities. The first charity will be the Christian Care Facility. This is a battered women's facility. The second charity is the Mayan Families. We have a Seton family that does some missionary work with this charity. They need donations to "fill their suitcase". Seton encourages its students and families to support both these charities during this time.

The new board to replace the Commission on Education is called the Rock Island Vicariate Catholic Schools Board of Trustees. This board is also broken up into various sub committees to deal with the areas of finance, facilities and school programs. If anyone is interested in learning more about this board there is a link on the Seton website. If you are interested in serving on this board please let Jane Barrett know.

Seton is up for reaccreditation. The accreditation organization is called AdvancED. They will be at school on April 11th. Anyone wishing to participate in a focus group on this day should contact Jane Barrett.

The spring concert is May 4th. The physical education day is May 12th. The Recognition Mass for the 8th grade will be on May 13th with graduation on the 24th of May.

Treasurer Report was given by Paul Schmitt. The budget / actual funds sheet was handed out for the year so far.

Walk-a-thon donations are coming in and the t-shirts are being printed. There are new prizes this year for the top earners. The kick off assembly will be April 8th and the packages should come home that day. The date for the walk-a-thon is May 6th with a rain date of May 13th. The volunteer sign-up sheet should be coming home. You need to have Safe Environment Training and background checks before signing up.

The discussion was opened for ideas on where to take parents club in the future. The suggestion for a change in format was made. The new format would contain a brief business meeting followed by a speaker on important topics. The meetings would be held only twice a year. Some of the suggested topics were things such as internet safety, bullying, and other influences that affect children.

Carmen Galvin discussed the future of the fall fundraiser. This event needs to be entering into its planning stages for next year. Discussion was held on ideas for different things that could be tried for the future and how to encourage more people to take part.

There was a brief discussion on the "volunteer" forms that had gone home this last fall. How do we get more people to be involved with the various activities that Seton needs?

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin DeFrieze