

MOTHERS' CLUB OF ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
APRIL 5, 2006

THOSE THAT SIGNED IN: C Amisial, N Ashby, D Batch, M Bowens-Baucom, J Bull-Humphries, L Bush-Yillah, M Otero, K Ott, S Charlton, J Cieslak, M Conley, C Connors, D Cross, L Denion, DJ Dennis, C Dougherty, V Farris, L Faulkner, B Galginaitis, D Green, H Hankins, NA Hart, L Hester-Alexander, P Horn, JA Hurlston, LR Johnston, C Kashe, J Kern, L Kramer, J Latimore-Brown, C Lipka, A Lopez, A McNerney, T Melo, JR Reusch, JS Riggott, K Ross, K Samara, E Simpson, K Spencer, JA Stokes, S Suggs, S Tremor, M Watson, L Watts, ML White, A M Willard, K Yates, D Whyte, G DeBord, N Borger, R Rikard, and J Mancabelli.

Opening Prayer: Jeff Mancabelli asked us to remember Sue Stanton's family in our prayers. Sue – our school nurse – is out this week due to her mother passing away. Mrs. Hoerauf has agreed to work this week and is doing a fabulous job. Thank you Mrs. Hoerauf.

Mr. Mancabelli read the freshman class mission statement for our opening prayer. It is powerful and most impressive. They recently finished it and will celebrate it with a mass and signing on Friday.

Agenda Approval – Roz asked for approval of the agenda and it was approved.

March Minutes Approval – Roz asked for approval of the March Mothers' Club Minutes and they too were approved.

New Cookie Dough Vendor: Mr. Joe Koman was present from Claire's Gourmet with samples of their cakes for the Mothers' Club to try. His company is out of Baltimore and works with St. Ignatius and St. Jerome to name a couple schools. They also carry pizza, pretzels, cookie dough, etc. They are known for their cakes. He gave a brief description of the process – but this will need to be researched in more detail by the board to decide if we will use this company for our fund raiser next year. We are looking at other companies because members are dissatisfied with the product of last year – the cookies were not as good as in the past.

Secretary's Report: Nancy read a thank you letter from Molly Feliciano, Past President of the SJC Mothers' Club. Molly wanted to thank us for all of our prayers for her husband Phil who is recovering from injuries suffered last fall after being struck by a car while crossing the street. We still need to pray for Phil while he continues to undergo therapy to help in the recovery process.

Treasurer's Report: Georgine reported that there was not much activity this month. The scarf income is down as well as the cookbook – and we do have then available for sale tonight. If someone would still like to purchase either a scarf or book – just let one of the board members know and we will get it to you! If you need reimbursement for monies spent you need to get the receipts to Georgine tonight or as soon as possible. The ending balance is \$10,451.47.

Upcoming Events:

Nominating Committee: Debbie Whyte reported that if you would like to nominate someone for the Board positions she needs to have them in by April 12th. You can email her directly or give her a call. At the next meeting – May 10th we will present the new slate of officers. If you are nominating someone – do let that person know and make sure they do want to serve. Debbie also expressed that most of the process works with individuals nominating themselves for the various positions. That is mostly how the process works. She also reiterated how fulfilling and fun it is to serve on the board.

Teacher Appreciation Breakfast/Lunch: Karen Samara reported that tomorrow is the event! She wanted to thank all the offers and donations. Remember to label the foods because of food allergies. She has about 118 gift cards ranging in price of \$5 to \$10 dollars at Starbucks, Target, Safeway, Chipotle, Giant, etc....and also two gift cards of \$25 each for Nordstrom and Borders that will be raffled off. The other cards will be available for the teachers/staff to pick from as an extra gift. Don't forget to label your containers and do pick them up!

Yvette Downs wanted to thank all the volunteers in advance for making them very happy and making Yvette and Karen look good!! If you are helping out tomorrow Yvette and Karen will be there from 6:30am until about 1:00pm.

In addition – Roz Rikard announced that she does not listen to her voice mail at home and if you want to leave her a message – the best is to call her work number or email her.

Post Prom: Karen Spencer and Primrose Horn

They are changing the “play cards” this year in order to give the students an incentive to stay longer at the event. This year when they walk in they will receive a \$15 card and again at 2am they will receive another \$15 card. Last year some students arrived at the beginning and received the \$30 card and only stayed a very short time and left with the card that can be used at a later date. The event opens at 12mn – students should start to arrive at 12:15/12:30. It ends at 4am. Last year we had about 420 students attend the post prom. You do not need to attend the prom to go to the post prom. If you do not go to the prom and want to attend the post prom that is OK – just so you are a senior SJC student. It will cost a little more for the card split.

A letter will be going out after spring break asking for donations. We are asking for a bigger push for money this year other than gifts. D&B's do have prizes and we would like to focus on bigger items for the raffles – probably 5-6 items.

If a business donates, they will receive a thank you letter from the Post Prom Committee.

Used Uniforms: Holly Hankins. Holly will again collect used uniforms the 2 days of the used book turn in. She will have receipts for tax purposes. Remember only Clean Uniforms that are Washed!! She will take any band, purchased JROTC, and regular uniforms. No Shoes. Collection will occur on May 24 and 25, at the Senior Reception, and June 6 – Tues when parents can have meetings with teachers. She also again offers her front porch for drop off. The uniforms will hang in the library and the sale will happen Aug 7-8 in conjunction with the used book sale. All monies collected goes to the Mothers' Club. All items will be \$5.00. Helpers of the used uniform sale can get 1st pick of the items.

NOTE: the school librarian could use some help over the summer to help purge old books from the library. If interested email Holly Hankins or the librarian directly. You can also get back to me (Nancy) and I will pass on.

Used Books: Kathy Yates. Kathy began by congratulating the Maryland Terrapins – the Lady Terrapins on their fabulous win last night and how much we all enjoyed seeing Marissa Coleman play so wonderfully.

Used book is May 24 and 25. The calendar at this point only shows one day but it is two days. We already have a lot of volunteers and Kathy will start this time next month to contact. The sale will take place Aug 6th and 7th.

JROTC Commissioning: Lauren Glover and Laura Kramer and Connie Hugya. Event is May 3, 7:00pm. Only Laura Kramer was present and the co chairs still have to meet to plan the event.

Senior/Faculty Reception: D Cross and B Marchak will chair. They will work with D Murphy again this year. Event is May 31st.

Remarks from our Moderator: Spring Break is coming up – next Wednesday afternoon. The freshman mass and signing of the mission statement is this Friday. The play: Grease is April 27, 28 and 29. It proves to be a fabulous production.

May 3rd is the JROTC Federal Inspection and Commissioning Ceremony. The JROTC Award ceremony will also take place on this day. Federal Inspection is in the morning and remember parents/friends/ family members are invited! And encouraged to attend. The Commissioning Ceremony is in the evening. It is a school holiday for non-JROTC students.

Kairos began here 4 years ago when graduates from Gonzaga came to lead us our 1st year. Now St. Mary's School in Annapolis has asked us to lead their 1st retreat the 1st week of May. Students are very excited about this. These are some of the great things our students are doing.

Now is a bittersweet time for our JROTC Officer corp. The new leaders for next year are: Cadet Colonel Michael Borger, Lt Colonel Emily Green, Lt Colonel Alex Kunkel, Lt Colonel Roland Fritz, and Lt Colonel Daryl Omire-Mayor.

The Commissioning Ceremony is a powerful ceremony and the new officers receive their sabers with the changing of the guard. This is a great moment in the tradition of our school. The Student Government will be elected when we return. The Peer Ministers have been selected.

The month of May serves as a checklist to check off the remaining activities of the year. May 15th is our last day of classes.

Mr. Mancabelli extends a sincere thank you for all your support throughout the year.

Old Business: Denise Murphy was not present and Roslyn presented the changes of the Bylaws. Roz read through all of the changes individually and we voted on them as a group. All changes were passed unanimously. We will have updated copies of the Bylaws at the next meeting.

A question arose about we as mothers outreaching to other mothers in the SJC community to join our group. The general response was that we do want every female guardian, mother, grandmother of our students to join our Mothers' Club. We as members need to encourage all to join and make them feel welcome to join at any

opportunity that we have. We need to increase our communication through word of mouth and the SJC Web site as to events that are occurring at school and continue to encourage all to join. Any suggestions at how to increase outreach to new mothers to join is appreciated.

Roz also wanted to thank all that responded to help at the Freshman Registration. We were there Sat at 8:15 am to help with registration and we had 4 new moms already signing up for next year.

Next Meeting is MAY 10TH – not May 3rd. It is our final meeting and the new slate of officers will be announced. REMEMBER FINAL MEETING IS MAY 10TH.

SEE YOU THERE.....

Respectfully submitted, Nancy ML Borger, Secretary