Holy Rosary School Parents Club Meeting Minutes February 8, 2007

Jill Fulmore welcomed everyone and Jillian Kane lead the opening prayer. The minutes of the January 18, 2007 Parents Club meeting were approved as written.

President's Report- Jill Fulmore

- Thanks to all responsible for the Grandparents luncheon.
- Representatives from E-scrip will be here next month at the Parents Club meeting to talk about this fundraiser and to register Safeway/credit cards for those wishing to participate.

Vice-President's Report-Tara Turpen

- We are fine for make up hours this year. There will be school on Tuesday, February 20th
- Next year's school calendar is being worked on.
- Look for the Base survey in the FCE at the end of the month.

Treasurer's Report - No Report

Principal's Report- Kris Brown

- Thank you for involvement in Catholic Schools Week.
- Kindergarten interviews have started. There are 53 applicants for next year's class and we are hoping to fill both kindergarten classes.
- Kris spoke about All Kinds of Minds/ Schools Attuned Development for teachers and her hope and vision for the future of this program at Holy Rosary School.
 - O The program, based on 20 years of research by Dr. Mel Levine, focuses study on the 8 neurodevelopmental constructs in the brain that affect learning. Everybody's brain is wired differently and by profiling students strengths and weaknesses along the lines of these constructs, passions and strengths in one area can be used to overcome weaknesses in another, so students can be successful in the classroom.
 - Kris attended Mel Levine's workshop last June and she shared the thoughts of the 4 teacher's who trained with her: Diane Blanco, Julie Rangel, Lucinda Cicero and Mary Jo McFaul.
 - o Kris would like the entire staff at Holy Rosary to receive Schools Attuned training so as to have a common language in dealing with our children and how they learn.
 - o The cost of training 1 person is \$1700. There are 30 staff.
 - The Grants Committee received a \$20,000 grant for Schools Attuned Development training for our teachers. Kris is hoping to get the rest of the needed funds through the Fund-an-Item at this year's auction.
 - Heather Slee, a Holy Rosary parent, also talked about Dr. Levine's program and her belief that it will give our kids a wonderful head start.

• Kris will take questions about the program at the next parents club meeting and will share the video "All Kinds of Minds"

Vice Principal's Report- No Report

Standing Committee Reports

Christmas Tree Lot – Allison Willhite

- Despite the cold, windy, icy condition this year, the tree lot had one of the top sales years in history; contributing \$45,000 to the school and \$2,620 to each of the three charities we support.
- Allison volunteered to chair the tree lot once again next year.

Auction -- Ann Martin

- Over 60 families have entered procurements on line and over 125 items have been entered.
- If procuring from a business, enter business as Donor 1 and yourself as Donor 2.
- Help is still needed in procuring items from the West. Seattle area.
- Popular auction items still need are things like dinner or wine tasting parties...Father John suggested whiskey tasting to better match the Irish Pub theme...

Featured Speaker— Father John

Father John spoke on a variation of the theme "It takes a village to raise a child" by addressing the role of the church in the village. He spoke of the need for forgiveness and rehabilitation within the church community and noted that values still stand even if the human beings who hold these values sometimes fail. The Church is needed in the "village" in order to teach our children spiritual values, morality, to be of service and for reconciliation.

Next Parent Club Meeting: March 15, 2007

Virginia Wiegand McIntyre Secretary