Holy Rosary School Parents' Club Meeting Minutes March 11, 2008

Tara Turpen welcomed everyone and led the opening prayer. The minutes of the February 12, 2008 Parents' Club meeting were approved as written.

President's Report-- Tara Turpen

- ② Sign ups have gone home for the Father- Daughter Glow Bowl which will be on April 5th. A new chair person is needed for next year's event.
- Our Lady of Guadalupe is holding a day camp/childcare/summer activites/ open house next Wednesday, March 19 from 6pm-7pm. Representatives from several summer camps will be available. This information will be posted on the web-site.
- **2** A new Vice President of Parents' Club is needed for next year. Contact Tara Turpen or Nikki Page if interested.
- **2** Next month, there will be a demonstration on Smart Boards, which is the "fund an item" at this year's auction.

Vice-President's Report-- Nikki Page

- **2** The School Commission met last week. Terri Scanlen, President of the School Commission, will go over the school budget during the April 15th Parents' Club Meeting.
- **②** Holy Rosary is sponsoring a community meal at Our Lady of Guadalupe on March 30 from 1pm-3pm. Please come and bring a dessert if interested in helping.
- 2 Sue Harris was thanked for helping out with the Audio/Visual during the Parent Club Meetings.

Treasurer's Report—Tara Turpen for Donna Suhadolnik

2 Room parents need to turn in receipts to Donna in order to receive reimbursement.

Principal's Report-- Kris Brown

- **2** There were 71 applicants for Kindergarten this year. Father John and Kris Brown made the selection last night. Next year's Kindergarten will have 20 sibling families, so we are welcoming many new families next year. There are still openings in next year's 2nd and 3rd grades.
- ② Janice Isner has moved on to a position as director of a preschool in Leschi. We are grateful for her many years of service. Kamilla Kennedy will be the morning kindergarten assistant for the remainder of the year.
- 2 Tomorrow is our early celebration of St. Patrick's Day. The school will attend mass at 8:45 am.
- **2** There is no school on Friday. Teachers will be completing the All Kinds of Minds training as well as attending workshops on smart boards/interactive white boards and integrative technology.
- 2 The April calendar will be going home soon. April, May and June are very busy months.
- Standardize testing will be the last 2 weeks of April and the first week of May. This year, kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 5th and 6th grades will be taking the ITBS test. The 3rd, 4th and 7th grades will take the WASL.

- 2 Today Kris attended the Greater Seattle Deanery meeting of the Archdiocese of Seattle. We are engaged in a strategic planning process this year. The areas we are looking at are: Catholic Identity, Academic Excellence, Accessibility, Stewardship and Governance and Finance.
- **2** Dr. Joyce Cox, the Superintendent of Catholic Schools, is retiring. Kris is working on the search committee for the new Superintendent.

Vice Principal's Report—Mary Jo McFaul

We are beginning the process of reviewing and choosing a new science curriculum to be in place for the next school year. We are also looking at a new social studies curriculum for grades 6-8.

Standing Committee Reports

Auction Committee Update -- Ann Martin/Kristen Hinthorn

- 2 Invitations went home in last Thursday's FCE and the auction is 3/4's full as of today.
- 2 Catalogs will be going to print early next week. The number of Live Auction items has been reduced significantly. To make this happen, we are having a few "new" tables in the silent auction this year including a men's table, a getaway table and a party table.
- **2** Many auction items will be available to be previewed on-line next week, prior to the catalog coming out.
- 2 A Tuition raffle will be new this year. You do not have to be at the auction to participate.
- 2 There will be live ragtime piano music at the silent auction.

Grocery Receipt Collection—Melody Sarkies

Holy Rosary is registered for the 1% back program from Metropolitan Market and Thriftway. Grocery Receipts can be dropped off at the basket in the Narthex of the Church. This fundraiser will continue through the summer.

Following the business portion of the meeting, Kris distributed a hand out and introduced a Mel Levine "Schools Attuned" video on Attention.

Next Parent Club Meeting: April 15, 2008

Virginia Wiegand McIntyre Secretary