

Holy Rosary School Parents' Club Meeting Minutes January 22, 2009

Nikki Page welcomed everyone and led the opening prayer. After the 7th & 8th graders presented their science projects, the minutes of the November 20, 2009 Parents' Club meeting were approved as written.

President's Report—Nikki Page

- ⌚ Nikki relayed the sad news that Dick McGowan passed away. Dick was the St. Vincent De Paul coordinator at our parish and he was scheduled to speak at tonight's Parents' Club Meeting. Dick's hope was to get more Holy Rosary families and junior high students involved with St. Vincent De Paul, especially in helping with food deliveries. If interested in helping with this endeavor, please contact Patrick Barrado or Nikki Page.
- ⌚ Our Lady of Guadalupe and Holy Rosary's Parents' Club are working on coordinating shared speakers for both schools. Watch for further information in the FCE.

Vice-President's Report—Melissa Witsoe

- ⌚ The Green Team is looking at food recycling and is seeking some form of "green grant" in order to obtain food containers.
- ⌚ Melissa is looking for a replacement for her position of Parents' Club Vice-President for next year.

Treasurer's Report—Donna Suhadolnik –NO REPORT

Principal's Report— Kris Brown

- ⌚ The Grants Committee met last week and reported that the Green Team, with the help of Nancy Stilger, was successful in obtaining a "Green Grant" for \$3,500 to help Holy Rosary School become more green.
- ⌚ The School Commission is preparing a survey to update the strategic plan to guide Holy Rosary over the next 3-5 years. The survey, which covers academics, extracurriculars, Parents' Club, Development, and other areas, will be available in February. Parent feedback is essential in helping guide decisions into the future, so please return the surveys either on-line or in hard copy.
- ⌚ The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe granted Holy Rosary School \$1500 to be used towards Smart Boards.
- ⌚ Catholic School's week is approaching. Please read the FCE to see what is going on each day of this week.
- ⌚ Mid-trimester reports will go home on February 13. This is a week later than usual because of the missed days due to the snow.
- ⌚ The state requires that public schools have no less than 1,000 instructional hours and 180 days of instruction. Private schools are not under the same contract as public schools and have more flexibility. Holy Rosary will have more than the 1,000 instructional hours this year, but we are right at 175 days, which is the number of days the state wants us to have. We will have to make up any further days missed if we have more inclement weather.
- ⌚ Kris and Father John are beginning Kindergarten interviews.

- ⌚ Sue Harris is acknowledged as a top librarian by the Archdiocese and has really kept Holy Rosary at the top their game as far as the library goes. Sue briefly demonstrated the new software based library program at Holy Rosary.

Vice Principal's Report--Mary Jo McFaul/Ted Mohrbacher—*NO REPORT*

Standing Committee Reports

Auction Committee Update – Sarah Mackay

- ⌚ Sarah Mackay and Katy Cunningham presented a skit to get folks ready to “Set Sail for the Tropics” on April 29, 2009.
 - ⌚ A lot of great items have come in for the auction, including 4 tickets to the winter Olympics, a week on a river in Colorado, a Brazilian dinner, a kids’ sleepover in the library with Kris Brown, and a bon-fire party at Alki. Spread the word to get donations in by February 5.
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Next Parents’ Club Meeting: February 19th, 2009

Virginia Wiegand McIntyre
Secretary