

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS SCHOOL
MOTHER'S CLUB MINUTES
April 14, 2009

- I. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:10 PM.** Pres. Shaune Jones welcomed everyone to the meeting and led us in our opening prayer. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to approve the March Meeting Minutes. Julie Parente made the motion; seconded by Jodi Hardiek, vote taken. Motion carried. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to approve the March Treasurer's Report. Denise Coules made the motion; seconded by Patti Senese, vote taken. Motion carried. Pres. Jones thanked Sixth Grade for hosting this meeting. A special thanks to the Garetto family for providing the delicious meal tonight. Barb Mulry from Pearson Skylight presented the subject matter of the graduate classes that SSCM teachers are taking.
- II. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:** Terra Nova 3rd edition tests were taken from 3/3-3/9. Make-ups were taken until 3/12 due to a number of students out of school sick. We anticipate the results sometime in the month of May. Due to the low number of commitments, the 3 year-old tri-parish pre-school program has been canceled for the next school year. We had a technology meeting to develop a budget for the 2009-2010 school year. Some of our goals are to obtain more laptops for the lower level and what to do when the older computers need to be replaced. Second graders will be receiving their first Holy Communion on 4/25. During the month the parish finance group met to discuss the next school years budget. I also met with Mr. Bigelow regarding possible grants to help the school newspaper. Michelle Sullivan is working on getting SSCM school information into the local newspapers. On 3/10, our 7th graders went to St. Laurence School for a day long leadership retreat. Mr. Grill did a refresher course for our staff on how to use defibrillators. On 3/13 we had a staff development day and a second optional parent/teacher conferences. On the same day had several of our students compete at the regional science fair at the University of St. Francis. All of the students that competed received a gold or silver. The following students will represent SSCM at the state fair; Megan Gardner, Clare O' Donnell, Paul Rachwalski, Sammy Abboud, and Ryan Jones. Eighth graders received the sacrament of confirmation on 3/21. To prepare for Easter the 3rd-8th graders received the sacrament of Reconciliation. The 4th graders performed the living stations on 3/16. Student Council sponsored the "Hidden Shamrock" contest on 3/17, if you are the winner you get a box of Lucky Charms. 3/24 Kindergarten kicked off baseball opening day and Boris and Stephen Nitchoff were "Principal for the Day" from the Fall Fundraiser. On 3/25, I attended a meeting with the Lemont School District regarding transportation. Next year SSCM school day will be from 7:45 am - 2:15 pm. Also, SSCM students will be sharing the buses with the Lemont School District children. SSCM students will be picked up and taken to Old Quarry School to be combine the students into fewer buses and then they will be bused to SSCM. At the end of the day it will be the same process but reversed. No student should be on the bus longer than 40 minutes. The first day of school will be August 19, 2009. The district is looking into the possibly of providing bus service to the families in Homer Glen. We looked at having Champions provide before school care for families that might need it, but they told us it wouldn't be cost effective for them in the morning. I submitted my order for textbooks for the upper grades through Illinois Textbook Loan. Eight grade will be receiving new Algebra books and seventh new Pre-Algebra books. EnVision Math series will be for K-5 and 6th grade will be getting a new Math series. Teachers are looking at Summer Reading lists to put together for the Book Fair. We have been asked by the Pearson Skylight to video tape some sessions so that it can be used as an educational tool for other teachers. Teachers have received their contracts, Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Eggebrecht will be retiring at the end of this school year. I have started the interview process. We will be installing security cameras throughout the building. There will be a total of 10 cameras. 6th grade had their retreat last week. On Friday the 2nd grade will be having their communion retreat. Chess tournament and last dance will be this Friday. Next week we will have the Book Fair, 8th grade will go to Norte Dame and channel 2 weatherman will be talking to the students. May 1st we will have the May Crowning at the 8 am mass.

III. OLD BUSINESS: We will take nominations for the 2009-2010 Mother's Club Board. Positions will be effective on July 1st. Laura Klimczak accepted nomination for Secretary, Jackie Lazowski accepted nomination for Treasurer, Teri Schulz accepted nomination for 2nd VP, Mary Deppert accepted nomination for 1st VP, and Shaune Jones accepted nomination for President. Committee chairs are still needed for Welcome Committee, Student Birthdays, Spiritwear, Market Day and Family Events. By-laws revisions were reviewed last meeting. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to approve the revised by-laws. Janis Wojnowski made the motion; seconded by Patti Senese, vote taken. Motion carried.

Survey results on posted on the back of the wall. Based on the results we will be keeping the meeting date and times the same and we will look at having one meeting next year in which we will invite both parents to come. Skate party will be on 4/19. Mother's Club is 5/2 at 5:30 pm. Walkathon will be 5/8. Scheduled walk times are: 8-9am 2nd -3rd grade, 9-10 4th-5th grade, 10-11 6th,7th, 8th grade, and 11-12 K-1st grade. All students will be receiving a walkathon t-shirt. Walkathon allocations EnVision Math series \$3,000 (\$2,010.58 came from Fall Fundraiser (\$5K)), Peaceful Playground \$1,000, Science Kits \$1,800, and Lower Level Laptops. Pres. Jones asked for a motion to vote on Walkathon allocations earlier so that the school can purchase the necessary items before school starts in August. Maureen Troy made the motion; seconded by Denise Coules, vote taken. Motion carried. A second vote will not be necessary for items under \$3,000. The school picnic will be on 5/26. Late Nite Catechism will be 1/22/10.

IV. NEW BUSINESS: Movie night tentatively scheduled for September 18, 2009 it will be a double feature in coordination with the SSCM History Committee. Allegro dance studio has passed out flyers is any one is interested in taking dance lessons before the Parish Anniversary Celebration on 10/24/09. The next Mother's Club will be 5/19, third Tuesday of the month. It will be sponsored by 7th grade. Fr. Larry's 25th Anniversary is 6/7. A "one" mass celebration is going to be on 8/16.

V. MOTHER'S CLUB COMMITTEE REPORTS: Box Tops: 2nd Box Top drive from 3/16-5/4, with a pizza party to the winning class. We have \$1,200 to date. Market Day: Deadlines for this Month: paper order 4/10; online 4/15, pick-up Saturday 4/18 @9:30 am. Sue Meeks will be stepping down from the chair of Market Day. This will be an open position for next school year.

VI. OTHER PARISH/ SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS: Parish Council: 125th Parish Anniversary celebration on 10/23 at the Willowbrook Ballroom. Religious Ed: needs volunteers for next school year. Contact Trish Nickleski if interested. Manna: nothing to report, School Board: There will be three vacancies on the board this year. Altar & Rosary: Nothing to report.

VII. JACKPOT/MEMBERSHIP DOOR PRIZES: Split the Pot: \$12 Mrs. Grabowski; Door Prize: Maureen Troy

IX. CLOSING PRAYER: Teri Schulz presented the final prayer.

X. ADJOURN: Pres. Jones asked for a motion to adjourn. Motioned by Jodi Hardiek, second motion by Patti Senese. Vote taken. Motioned carried. Meeting Adjourned 8:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Laura Klimczak
Mother's Club Secretary

President- Shaune Jones
1st Vice President- Aggie Maslanka
2nd Vice President- Teri Schulz
Treasurer- Mary Deppert
Secretary- Laura Klimczak