

Mother's Guild Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2021
11:30 am — MUHS Room 127

- I. Call to order — meeting called to order at 11:37 am
 - A. Opening Prayers and Welcome — 69 mothers were in attendance
 - B. Introduction of Officers and Class Representatives
 - 1. Senior Reps: Trish Wollersheim & Andrea Bergman
 - 2. Junior Reps: Kathleen Rowan & Jen Packee
 - 3. Sophomore Reps: Lisa McGown & in need of another volunteer
 - 4. Freshman Reps: Halligan Czarnecki & Katie Kwiatt
- II. Introduction of Freshman and new Moms, and Lisa Cross (Freshman Mom Mentor)
 - A. Sending out email to parents to keep you up to date on things going on at school
 - B. Will add new sophomore parents to email distribution list
- III. Guest speakers
 - A. President's Report: Fr. Michael Marco SJ
 - 1. Thank you to the parents for support, encouragement, patience over last 18 months.
 - 2. Development office is beginning to organize campaign to raise money for endowment, which is an initiative from strategic plan
 - a. Presently in feasibility study phase
 - b. Cost of education is becoming more of an issue for our families, so goal is to increase amount of financial aid we distribute each year
 - c. "Barbell effect" presently — MUHS losing "middle class" families
 - 3. First freshmen parent breakfast with Fr. Marco and Mr. Monday was held today with 20 parents attending — every parent provided positive feedback
 - 4. Masks: the plan to is to get to point where masks are optional, right now being careful with variant
 - B. Academic Report and MUHS Spiritual Theme: Jeff Monday
 - 1. Co-curricular activities are meeting in person
 - 2. Had full attendance at Freshmen/Sophomore welcome back dance hosted at MUHS
 - 3. Spiritual theme assembly was held: this year's theme is Ignatius 500
 - a. Would like students to become "intentional disciples"
 - b. Identify "Cannonball moments" — moments of growth, what do we do with those moments as we move forward
 - 4. Second Saturdays with St. Ignatius for parents offered monthly, other retreats will also be offered
 - 5. Continue to advise students: advising sessions are every other Tuesday during Homeroom
 - 6. Freshmen meet in PAY group with 2 Big Brothers every other Tuesday to help with transition to high school
 - a. Focus for today was on diversity and differences: challenges that differences create, how to express ideas without judgement, 7 tips to communicate well (see posters hung around building)
 - 7. Covid-19: met with Jesuit schools across province and MUHS has best numbers as far as positive cases
 - a. Students mask during school assemblies, transition between classes, option to wear mask in classrooms
 - b. Vaccinations: 77% entire school community based on WI registry
 - c. Students who attend over night trips including retreats: required to be vaccinated or negative test to attend
- IV. Officer Reports
 - A. Approval of the March Minutes: Beth Parey

1. Halligan Czarnecki made motion to approve the minutes as written, Marianne Stone seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Theresa Krajnak
 1. Current balance \$15, 213.21 with 3 outstanding invoices
 2. Will update expense form, will be found on MG webpage
 3. Will establish budget for each event, therefore chair report needed for each event
- C. Volunteers: Amy Marshall
 1. To sign up to volunteer for MG events: navigate to Mothers guild webpage, click "sign up now", this takes you to all active sign ups
 2. Presently need people to sign up for Staff Appreciation lunches, Eucharistic Adoration, Helping Hands, Student Health Room, Volunteer Where Needed Most
 3. Events which run year-round will have sign-ups posted for the month of September but then will be taken down, so please sign up now if interested
- D. Co VPs/Helping Hands: Jennifer Deslongchamps & Terrie Stangl
 1. MG aids families in need: parent or student illness/surgery, death in the family, etc
 2. If anyone knows of school family in need of assistance with meals, rides, or prayers, please contact Jennifer or Terrie so MG can offer assistance; completely confidential
- V. Committee/Event Report
 - A. Topper Auction: Carolina Itsines
 1. April 2, 2022; celebrating 50 years of the Topper Auction
 2. Theme — Cirque Du Topper: The Fab 50
 3. Sarah Bahr & Arleen More O'Farrell are chairpersons
 4. Volunteer sign up and Amazon Wish List both available on Topper Auction page of MUHS website
 - B. Used Book Sale: Ellen Laubusch, Beth Parey, Marianne Stone, Beth Von Rueden, Trish Wollersheim
 1. Families who purchased books at July sale: 297
 2. Total number of books sold: 2097
 - C. Mother-Son Mass/Breakfast (Sept 19): Terri Ogden & Carol Roder
 1. This Sunday: morning mass at 10 am, arrive at 9:45 to check in; free will donation of \$10 per person
 2. Immediately followed by breakfast in Cannon Commons; seating area designated for Freshmen families
 3. In need of volunteers: 9 am Sat morning to help decorate, also mom/son greeters arrive at 9 am Sunday, clean up — contact Terri or Carol
 - D. Eucharistic Adoration: Leslie O'Brien & Terrie Stangl
 1. First Friday of the month when boys are in school — only 4 this year: October, December, January, May
 2. Volunteer attends one hour time slot from 7:45 am to 2:30 pm, can get on sub list too
 - E. Family Tailgate (Sept. 17): Tracie Sparks & Adrienne Conradson
 1. Sponsored by Father's Club, MG provides volunteers
 2. Register by 11:30 pm tonight
 - F. Christmas Ornaments: Erin Groth
 1. \$15, for purchase at all MG meetings and events as well as online (sons pick up at school office)
- VI. Old Business - None
- VII. New Business
 - A. Freshman/New Family Welcome Gifts: please see Angie or Renee if you/your son did not receive at Registration Day
 - B. Spiritual Theme T-Shirts: donated by MG, have not arrived yet
 - C. Rummage Sale canceled due to Covid; St. Vincent De Paul (SVDP) will not send collection trucks because of Covid

1. Would like to offer service project for SVDP in October: putting committee together to brainstorm service project — contact Angie if interested
- D. Casey Kowalewski, Dean of Students:
1. Will attend MG meetings to share “Hot Topics” and answers questions
 2. His duties: handles discipline, compiles school calendar, oversees all co-curricular activities outside of athletics
 3. Shorts: may be worn if 70 degrees and higher; deadline to wear shorts to school will be extended if weather is warm
 4. Notify attendance dept every time son will be missing class
 5. Kairos retreat, athletics and other co-curriculars: school communicates with faculty re: who will be missing
 6. Flipped schedule rationale: students benefit from having different class at different time of day (some kids are morning people, some or not), missing different class for co-curriculars/athletics (eg student doesn't always miss 8th period)
 7. JUG (Justice Under God): after school detention is held on Tues, Wed, Thurs
 - a. If student issued one, it is served the next day: involves writing reflection or helping around school
 - b. Saturday JUG for more frequent offenses (4 or more JUGS, academic integrity, chronic tardiness, etc): involves 3 hours working around school
 8. Homecoming October 2: “Tropical Escape”
 - a. students received email about purchasing homecoming tickets: \$15 per person/\$30 per couple
 - b. Students will be randomly breathalyzed
 - c. Dance starts at 7 pm; must be in by 7:30 then students “locked in”; doors open at 9:30 pm, finished at 10 pm

VIII. Closing Prayer and Adjournment: 1:27 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth Parey, Secretary

Next Meeting: October 12th at 11:30 am at MUHS – Room 127; please join us prior to the meeting for the Rosary in the Chapel at 11 am