

Mothers Guild Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2021 – 7:00 pm
Dandy – 5020 W. Vliet St.

- I. Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm
- A. Opening Prayer and Welcome – 25 mothers in attendance
- II. Guest Speakers
 - A. President’s Report – Fr. Michael Marco SJ
 - 1. He and Mr. Monday met with a group of parents last week to discuss parents’ concerns about sons’ wellbeing: goal at MUHS is to have all students in the building 5 days a week and all at school are working tirelessly to achieve this
 - 2. Faculty/staff/administration retreat Feb. 4 & 5 was great
 - 3. December Board Gift Challenge was a success: goal was for 500 new or increased gifts to Parent Partnership/Annual Fund, actually received 800
 - B. Academic Report – Mr. Jeff Monday
 - 1. Sophomore Wellness day is Feb. 10: all sophomores will be in the building together
 - 2. Juniors will all be in the building March 3 working on college admissions; Project Brotherhood organizing activities for all the Seniors so they may be together in the building that day as well
 - 3. Freshmen Retreat is March 4 & 5: taking place with modifications, leaders doing an impressive job of prepping for this
 - 4. Results of the survey sent to students & parents at end of January will be in next week’s Parent Newsletter
 - a. Feel safe in the school building: students 8.1, parents 9 (10=extremely safe)
 - b. Current mental health of students compared to this time last year: students 5.1, parents 4.7 (1=much worse, 5=about the same, 10=much better)
 - c. Emotional well-being: students 6.3, parents 4.7 (1=not well, 10=extremely well)
 - d. Academic challenges: students 6.3, parents 6.8 (10=much more difficult)
 - e. Academic performance: students rated themselves A or B
 - f. Communications (info they need to be well informed): students 7.2 (10=well informed)
 - 5. MUHS looked at 63 students who have diagnosed learning differences, mental health challenges, and/or technology access issues and offered to those parents the opportunity to have those students attend 5 days a week
 - 6. Mr. Monday meeting individually with teachers to assess their wellbeing; teachers are anxious to get vaccinated – teachers in group 1B, vaccinations for 1B begins March 1
 - 7. Senior Follies: will be produced as a movie; entire Senior class will watch together, other viewing opportunities for parents & students will be scheduled
 - 8. City of Milwaukee Health Dept has increased limits on large gatherings to 250 or 25% of capacity
 - 9. More Kairos retreats will be offered so more Seniors can participate
 - 10. Senior Shared Life: during 3 days of Holy Week Seniors will have retreat-like experience (speakers, reflection); the week following Easter Break Seniors will perform service work primarily outdoors
 - 11. Prom is May 8 at Pfister; will prioritize Seniors attending if it in fact happens
- III. Officer Reports
 - A. Approval of the Minutes – Beth Parey
 - 1. Sarah Bahr made a motion to approve the January minutes as written, seconded by Terrie Stangl; motion carried
 - B. Treasurer’s Report – Jennifer Tierney for Beth Hrdlick
 - 1. Beginning balance Jan. 1: \$12762.19; ending balance Jan. 31: \$13623.19
 - 2. Income from Christmas Ornaments (\$75) and Vineyard Vine t-shirts (\$786)

- C. Volunteers – Jennifer Tierney for Jill Hubley
 - 1. Auction volunteers should navigate to auction page of MUHS website to sign up
 - 2. Looking for Volunteer Coordinator for next school year
- D. Helping Hands – Angie Tappa & Renee Washington
 - 1. Have contacted teacher who is out sick with Covid – specific requests from the family coming later this week, stay tuned for ways in which you can help
- IV. Event Reports
 - A. Topper Auction April 24 2021 – Carolina Itsines
 - 1. Will be a hybrid event: limited number of guests will attend the event in person, the rest will participate virtually from home
 - 2. Email with specific auction details forthcoming, watch your inbox for that
 - 3. Amazon Wish List is updated every 2 weeks, gift cards of different denominations have been added -- link to this on Auction webpage of MUHS website
 - 4. Volunteer opportunities – link to online sign up also on Auction webpage
 - B. Teacher Appreciation Days – Andrea Bergman, Shannon Lerner, Iva DiCasteri, Molly Bell
 - 1. February 16 is next event and is biggest of the year; may request additional help beyond committee members, watch for email
 - C. Senior Class Mom Prom – Renee Washington, Jan Klein, Deanna Ament
 - 1. Will be held on Sunday, April 18 at Brookfield Conference Center – at 25% capacity can hold 420 people
 - a. Buffet style, tables are max of 6 and will not be assigned, VIP will take photos, food truck for dessert
 - 2. Other grade levels welcome to organize Mom Prom for their son’s grade: volunteers will need to step forward, Senior Mom Prom committee willing to share information
 - D. Morning of Reflection – Heidi Stanton & Moe Tarantino
 - 1. Wednesday, Feb. 24 in Three Holy Companions Chapel: 9:30 am mass and speaker
 - 2. Ann Auger will present on “The Beauty of Womanhood in the Catholic Church”
 - E. Mothers Guild Retreat – Heidi Stanton, Mo Buettner, Kate Meyer
 - 1. Awaiting approval to have Fr. Chris Krall from Marquette U lead a one-day retreat
 - 2. Tentative plans are March 31 in Three Holy Companions
 - F. Project Brotherhood – Cami Adel & Jennifer Tierney
 - 1. January snowtubing event attended by 115 students, mostly freshmen and sophomores
 - 2. Super Bowl Super Square event: 85 students participated, 16 winners, prizes will be distributed to the winners
 - 3. Tentatively planning Fun Day for Seniors on March 3 at school
- V. Old Business
 - A. MUHS Vineyard Vines T-shirts, Ornaments and MUHS Mother Guild cups (\$5) available
 - B. Thank you to Terrie Stangl and Leslie O’Brien for organizing Spiritual Bouquet for the faculty & staff, it was much appreciated
 - C. Spiritual Themed t-shirts for all students are arriving this week, paid for with proceeds from Used Book Sale
- VI. New Business
 - A. Nominating Committee
 - 1. Discerns Mother Guild Board members and class reps for the next school year
 - 2. Terrie Stangl will head the committee, other volunteers needed from each grade level
- VII. Closing Prayer and Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth Parey, Secretary

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 11:30 am at Dandy, 5020 W. Vliet St.