**Our Lady of Grace Catholic School**

**Parent School Organization (PSO)**

**Meeting Minutes of Thursday, Feb 14, 2023**

**9:30 AM – Library**

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| **Attendees:**  Liz Reeves  Amanda Fritz  Natalie Davidson  Stevie Sislo  Mike McGinty  Jim Dahlman | Beth Horn  Shelly Windom  Jess Gessner  Grant Anderson  Megan Dolejsi  Greta Santori | Shannon Anderson  Andrea Schwarz  Abigale Piprude  Jamie Polh  Katie Tucci |  |
| **Prayer**  **Minutes Approved** | * Led by Liz Reeves | | |
| **Leadership Report** | Head of School Update   * + - CSW was exciting week to observe – different at every school     - Pancake breakfast was special to kick it off in the new cafeteria     - Cafeteria going smoothly     - Utilize fully by spring break     - This time of year as a school is rough – sickness and weather and can’t get kids outside     - Morale is high – families feel good about being here | | |
| Treasurer’s Report  Amanda Fritz | * No income in January * Some spending for SSS for next year * CSW lunch expense * Fees from parent registration fee goes toward paper | | |
| **Recent Events** | | | |
| Staff CSW Lunch | * Served Lennn Chin * Very well received * Emails from teachers complimenting the lunch * Able to serve same food for both lunches | | |
| Preschool Room Parent Launch | * All rooms have 2 parents * Almost all have existing OLG room parents * Working with teachers and PSO to formalize * Just rolled out and next year will be the same at K-8 | | |
| Moms Night Out | * All have been well attended * Hilltop has been great * Great feedback to get together * Nice to gather after Covid | | |
| **Upcoming Events** |  | | |
| Barnes and Noble Book Fair | * 2/26 * Information in the weekender | | |
| Read-A-Thon | * 2/27 – 3/10 * Runs for 10 days * Everything will be online * Giving teachers detailed packets to go home on 2/23 * Goal of $50K * Supporting OLG literacy initiatives and Groves program * Sister school in Ghana and JPII * VEAP person to coordinate donated books? * Work with Moms of Grace to coordinate * Selected artwork winners * Amiee Bissonette is the author this year – lawyer turned author * Kick off Monday 2/27 – 2 sessions K-2 and 3-5 * Involving Preschool and middle school to track their minutes | | |
| School Supply List Collection | * Using School Toolbox again * Coordinate with principals and teachers * Wait until its posted in the Weekender to order * We do get about $2500 in rebates back to the school | | |
| Used Uniform Sale | * 3/10 – conference day * It will be outside the office in the new building * Biggest change is the sale in August will be at the beginning of the month and not right before school starts * Have time to order to from Educational Outfitters if you can’t find the sizes you need | | |
| Scholastic Book Fair | * We brought it back last year * March 27- April 2 is tentative date * Have accreditation that week so may need to move it * We do audit the books * All students will get a free book | | |
| Family Mass and Breakfast | * 4/11- Father/Daughter * 4/12 – Mother/Son * We will be looking for new co-chairs for next year | | |
| Carnival | * 4/28 * Had a big kick off meeting last week with co-chairs * Marching forward * Theme to be announced soon! | | |
| Teacher Appreciation Week | * 5/1-5 * Teacher appreciation did flowers last year * Mostly handled by room parents * Sending out favorite questionnaire | | |
| Grade Level Masses | * 4th Grade was Feb 11 – 5pm mass * 3rd Grade is 2/25 | | |
| **Ongoing/Discussion Topics / Open Floor** | | | |
| New PSO Position | * Liaison with JPII and educate our students more on how we work with them * Approved by Administration * Position to be announced soon | | |
| PSO Engagement and Relationship Building | * No update | | |
| Preschool Integration | * Room parents now established so this will help * Will have a chair for the carnival to incorporate the younger kids | | |
| Preschool Room Parents | * Have at least 2 for all classes * Almost all have current OLG families | | |
| Art Adventures | * No update | | |
| Room Parents | * Working on questionnaire for teachers to help with Teacher Appreciation week | | |
| Library | * No update | | |
| Resource Room | * No update | | |
| Social Shopping Events | * No update | | |
| MSSC | * Organizing the trophy cases * Will start cleaning and putting them back * Resurrection egg kits for 1st graders * Sunday School donuts * Packing snack boxes | | |
| New Families | * No update | | |
| Uniforms | * Working on new options but won’t be ready for next year * Will still include a blazer | | |
| Marketing | * No update | | |

**Next Meeting Date: Mar 14, 2023 at 9:30am, Library**