



<b>ORGANIZATION:</b> St. Mary Hyde Park <b>UNIT:</b> St. Mary PTO			
<b>CONTACT DATE:</b> Oct 2, 2020		<b>REPORT DATE:</b> Jan 8, 2021	
<b>PARTICIPANTS:</b> Racheal Palermo, Eric Aber, Gretchen Hooker, Jennifer Reed, Kelly Blake, Anne Bodkin, Catherine Basil, Brigitte Arthur, Jen Reker-Murphy, Fr. Ken, Julie Dorr		<b>CC:</b>	
<b>NEXT MEETING:</b> Nov 6, 2020		<b>REPORT BY:</b> Eric Aber	
<b>SUBJECT/ MATTER</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>WHEN</b>
Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>September Deposits               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$10,000 from Jeff Rinear for PTO dues</li> <li>\$1,800 from Kroger for grocery rewards</li> <li>\$300 from Nicole Byerly</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Kelly Blake	
President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved last month's board minutes. Kelly Blake motioned for approved and Anne Bodkin seconded</li> <li>Thank you notes were shared from teachers and staff (classroom stipends and car decorating)</li> <li>Parish Council Meeting from September               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parish appeal coming in 2020</li> <li>Santa's Workshop and Festival updates</li> <li>State of the Parish - November 10th at 6:30</li> <li>School building and grounds committee forming (teachers, parents, etc.)</li> </ul> </li> <li>National Day of Prayer and Fasting (week of 9/21)</li> <li>Volunteer callout went out in the e-news with good response</li> </ul>	Rachael Palermo	
Committee Report – <b>Teacher Liasons</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All teachers have a liaison</li> </ul>	Gretchen Hooker	
Committee Report - <b>Virtus</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>28 people on PTO committees were out of compliance and all but 2 caught up – still waiting on contact with them.</li> <li>Laura Nickol working on it through parish</li> </ul>	Gretchen Hooker	
Committee Report – <b>Teacher Appreciation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Car decorating, handwritten notes, and flowers</li> <li>9/28 – teacher appreciation notes (every Monday)</li> <li>Julia Jackson and Anne working on organizing writing notes to the special's teachers</li> <li>Julia Jackson working on dinner through The Wheel on the first night of parent/teacher conferences.</li> <li>Teacher snack or morning drink drop offs</li> </ul>	Anne Bodkin	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One SMS Family is doing once a month coffee and bagels from Coffee Emporium</li> </ul>		
Committee Report – <b>Mission Effectiveness</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special items to further the school's mission</li> <li>Start a book club for parents</li> <li>Look into finding a second part to the COCA (Council on Child Abuse) event from last year. Educate parents on social media and the virtual world</li> </ul>	Clare Taylor	
Committee Report – <b>Other Fundraisers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J Crew Night made \$91 (5% of sales)</li> <li>Chipotle is scheduled for 10/6 - need to spread the word through teacher liaisons</li> <li>Dewey's fundraiser set from November</li> <li>LaRosa's not currently doing fundraisers but possible Buddy Cards in the future</li> <li>Opened an Amazon Smile account</li> <li>Would like to push the other passive fundraisers (Kroger, Box Tops, etc.)</li> <li>Minted and Shutterfly for holiday cards</li> </ul>	Catherine Basil	
Committee Report – <b>Spiritwear</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Golf outing spent \$340 on spiritwear to give out</li> <li>Next year may build in more opportunities at the golf outing</li> <li>Raising money with the breast cancer shirts and they will arrive week of 10/7</li> </ul>	Catherine Basil	
Faculty Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The gratitude and support to the staff has been very much appreciated. The notes on Monday were also a hit.</li> <li>Workshop for Lindsey to improve PE – unanimous approval by the board</li> <li>As it gets colder, having an item for students to sit on would be helpful</li> <li>Teachers are happy to be back in the building</li> </ul>	Julie Dorr	
Principal's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teacher Education Training Fund – approve Lindsey \$500 workshop. Any other college level continuing education funds will be split between other teachers who take these courses.</li> <li>Beth Mock is putting together a video for new families with pictures and interviews.</li> <li>First part of accreditation is completed, and the second part gets under way on October 8th.</li> <li>October faculty meeting – QRP will come and train on suicide prevention and how to deal with the current stress.</li> <li>The "Meet the Teacher" virtual meeting went well but not quite the same.</li> <li>Conferences will be in person and see the kids work and see the teachers.</li> <li>COCA to come in on December 10th and 11th to work with the students.</li> </ul>	Jen Reker-Murphy	



Open Discussion / Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Teacher Appreciation funds – increased this year to over \$1,400. May need extra funds to provide meals during parent/teacher conferences and other items.</li><li>○ There has been a lot of good feedback on the Kindergarten signs. Would like to expand this to new families and new teachers. Approximate cost of \$350-400 to include these two groups. Possibly include the graduating 8th graders to this.</li><li>○ Are there a list of items that the school needs that could be asked of the parents?</li><li>○ There are some restrictions on what can be set up around campus. Tents, heaters, benches, picnic tables, etc.</li><li>○ PTO Christmas Fund – starting in November. Will start promoting it then.</li><li>○ Teacher Education Training Fund - \$3,000 set aside.</li></ul>	None	
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