



SAINT ANN SCHOOL
putting faith in education

ASSOCIATION

HOME & SCHOOL

Agenda – September 22, 2016 St. Ann School – Healy Hall, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Objective: The goal of the St. Ann Home & School Association is to support communication and cooperation among parents, teachers and Administration at St. Ann School while coordinating the combined efforts to support school activities and events related to the spiritual and social development of children of St. Ann School and raising funds to support those efforts.

Executive Committee: Lynn Wood (co-chair); Russ Horton (co-chair); Kyle Warner (treasurer); Beth Tomczyk (Communications)

Steering Committee present: Kristy Mueller; Jessica Royko, Audrey Bridges, Rachel Glanville

❖ Welcome (10 min)

- Opening Prayer – Lynn
- Introductions and welcome
- Designing our Alliance – establishing ground rules for maximum efficiency, effectiveness and enjoyment ☺
- Bi-laws , bring all into put into a structure
- Growing the school
- Fundraising (parish and school)
- Merging church and school esp. Parish Council

❖ Nuts and Bolts (30 min)

- Roles, goals and responsibilities for H&S Steering Committee
- Communication/coordination (Committee liaison)
- Strategy/planning (Big picture/looking ahead)]
 - March 2018-2019 anniversary celebration
- Ambassadors (The face of St. Ann's)
 - We , as parents, are the face of the School. We should always present a positive face.

❖ Plans & expectations for the year

- Monthly attendance, participation & reports
 - All are welcome

❖ Decorum & Protocols

- Robert's Rules of Order , adopted to start at October meeting
 - Agree to disagree
 - Respectful to others ideas
- Bylaws/Charter
- Meeting Minutes
 - The meeting agenda will be posted prior to the meeting
 - The meeting minutes will be on the school website and in the Wednesday memo the week after the meeting

❖ Budget and Calendar

- Home and school meetings will be the 4th Thursday of the month. (with exceptions of Holidays and Thursdays off of school)
- October meeting will be changed to Thursday October 20th
 - February meeting will also be changed due to parent teacher conferences, Russ will send new dates out
 - A budget is going to be worked on, carried over from last year

❖ **Updates (20 min)**

- Exec. Committee Report – Russ Horton/Lynn Wood
- Treasurer's Report – Kyle Warner
 - *Kyle handed out Budget from last year
 - *We will propose a budget in October 2016

❖ **Principal's report**

** Hoping to get more responses on the climate Survey

**We are looking to hire a school counselor to come in once a week to work with kids in the classroom. I need to work out details and budget, but I'm excited at the prospect of helping some of our kids who really need it. In addition, this person will be able to work in the classrooms on a variety of topics, including the middle school health classes. She is being provided through Catholic Charities so will have the faith element as well.

** The laminate was cut incorrectly on the Hufcor wall going into the library, so that is the reason for the delay. I have been given the date of Oct 3rd or 4th for installation and am keeping my fingers crossed that it will happen.

4. Title I testing is complete for Reading, and I am contacting families who have qualified. We are very pleased that SASD has enough in their budget to dedicate a Reading Specialist to St. Ann's twice a week for the entire day. Linda Milam is a retired Reading Specialist and was thrilled to take the position. She is currently recovering from surgery, so we hope to see her within the month. Again, this is a HUGE step from the 30 minutes/week we typically received in the past.

❖ **Committee Work (5 min)**

- Russ gave a report of what committees are still in need of volunteers
- Russ will be sending out periodic emails letting everyone know what committees are in need of help
Each family is asked to : Day of Event , 2 lunch, and 8 points
 - * Identify Liaisons
 - * Schedule chairperson training/briefing session
 - * chairs come together and help with transition

❖ **New Business**

Proposed summer "Read-a-Thon", Jim Opitz

Donate to child's reading can be done electronically

Possibly done as a summer fundraiser

Future Meetings: 10/20/16 , 11/12/15, 12/10/15*, 1/14/16, 2/11/16, 3/10/16, 4/14/16, 5/12/16* (*Meeting/socials)

*St. Ann Home & School
Back to School Prayer*

Lord Jesus, be with us as we commence our year's work.

Help us recognize your presence in each other and help us to become builders of bridges.

Bridges that will link our parish and our school, our teachers and our parents, our hopes for our children and the realization of these hopes.

Inspire us to listen with attention and patience to each other, to share with courage and generosity, and to welcome the ideas of all. We pray for friendship to flourish here and that we be filled with a deep sense of peace.

May this meeting of ours strengthen our friendship, build our community and increase our confidence in ourselves and our school while resulting in many benefits for the children on whose behalf we gather.

Amen.