

Saint Dorothy School  
Development Committee Meeting Minutes  
March 11, 2019 7:30 PM  
Rectory Meeting Room

Attendees: Fr. Murphy, Chris Schumacher, Kelly Gust, Nick Caramanico, Joe Dougherty, Alan Pietrewicz, Alicia Lain, Stephanie Gillin, Jonathan Gust, Jen Corcoran, Jean Callahan, Dan O'Mara, Mark Romano, Matt Stewart, Sue Short, Karen Tomasetti, Carolyn Corr

1. Opening Prayer
2. Approval of minutes from the meeting on January 14, 2019
3. The Mission of the Development Committee

*The Development Committee focuses on relationship building and fundraising to support Saint Dorothy School. We make recommendations to Fr. Murphy to raise funds and increase school enrollment, to seek ways to strengthen the educational experience of our children at St. Dorothy School, and we work with the parish community to provide leadership and support in implementing these recommendations and programs.*

#### Committee Reports

- a. School Update – Karen Tomasetti
  - i. Enrollment for 2019-20 at 419 students
  - ii. Pre-K4 36 at present both existing classrooms will be for Pre-K4/New basement classroom will house Pre-K 3
  - iii. Tag line: **An Educational Journey Giving Witness to Christ**  
Mission: St. Dorothy Roman Catholic School offers students in Pre Kindergarten through Eighth grades a vibrant, challenging academic curriculum, which is deeply rooted in Catholic faith and values. In cooperation with families, we prepare students to be moral, creative, technologically adept and independently confident citizens equipped for the future.
- b. Home & School – provided beforehand by Steph Russo
  - i. Bag Bingo set for 3/15
  - ii. Open positions and taking nominations for President and Vice President in June
- c. Marketing – Mark Romano
  - i. Spring Newsletter most content is in-just waiting on a few things
  - ii. Jonathan Gust offered to help with writing as Sue transitions to help as needed now that Colin will graduate this year
- d. EITC/BLOCS- Dan O'Mara
  - i. Dan meeting with Jim Downey 3/13/19
  - ii. As of 3/13/19 \$67K in BLOCS raised

- iii. Wine & Cheese thank you reception for donors in May/June currently 8 donors with 3 on the fence
- e. Annual Fund-
  - i. Thank you to Alan, Matt, Mark & Carolyn for speaking at Masses to Kickoff Annual Fund
  - ii. 2018 total \$28,032.22 as of 3/4/19 (Fr. Has additional Checks)
  - iii. Kelly did Feast of St. Dorothy blast on social media generated \$100 donation
    - 1. Suggested to email blast to current families and DP database. Mark to help with email drop from donor perfect
    - 2. Steph Gillin offered to send to CYO as well
- 4. Old Business
  - a. How to follow up with Parish families with newly baptized children
    - i. Baptisms enter parish families into Donor Perfect for future school mailings
    - ii. Send fair tickets
    - iii. Put school brochure into Baptismal packet for all new families
- 5. New Business
  - i. Need for Assistant/Vice Principal for day-to-day activities
- 6. Next Meeting
  - a. **May 13<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM Rectory Meeting Room**