

Saint Dorothy School
Development Committee Minutes
October 28, 2019 7:30 PM
Rectory Meeting Room

Attendees: Father Murphy, Nick Caramanico Chris Murray, Alan Pietriwicz, Jonathan Gust, Matt Stewart, Jennifer Corcoran, Mark Romano, Jean Callahan, Karen Tomasetti, Carolyn Corr

1. Opening Prayer
2. Approval of minutes from the meeting on August 26, 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.

4. Committee Reports
 - a. Oktoberfest –Carolyn via Bill Nolan
 - i. Successful Year profit with estimated UD police bill is \$57,004.83-still need online ticket fees for exact amount
 - ii. Check for \$56,000 given to St. Dorothy School
 - iii. Hold some back for 2020 startup costs
 - iv. Volunteer participation rate in signup increased from 57% in 2018 to 89% of slots filled
 - b. School Update – Karen Tomasetti
 - i. Two new aides for Pre-K
 1. Kathy Fitzgerald – Pre-K 3
 2. Jen Kenny Pre-K 4 pending interview
 - ii. Thank you letters for the Fair from Students to committee & Bill Nolan & Patty Dwyer given by Mrs. Tomasetti
 - c. Home & School – Carolyn via Sharon
 - i. Oktoberfest was great for Spirit Wear Sales
 - ii. Trunk or Treat had 36 cars & 190 Trick or Treaters and raised \$1000
 - iii. Clothing & Shoe Drive will be held 11/10 12:30-3:30
 - iv. General H&S meeting 11/12 @ 7pm with presentation from Computer teacher, Mrs. McGarvey regarding online games & social media and its effects on Kids' self-esteem
 - d. Marketing – Mark Romano

- i. Newsletter in layout review
 - ii. Revise mailing list format
 - e. EITC/BLOCS- \$109K raised and approximately 80 families assisted
 - f. Annual Fund-Alan
 - i. Total to date \$61,072.88
 - ii. Names for 2020's Honorary Chair discussed
 - iii. Need to get that started in early December.
- 5. Old Business
 - i. Discussion of a sign out front of school was deemed not desirable
 - ii. Discussion on enrollment figures and steps to take to retain specifically in the upper grades and or recruit new students specifically talking about potential tuition assistance.
- 6. New Business

Next Meeting January 13th @ 7:30 pm Rectory Meeting Room