

St. Mary's School Family Organization (SFO)  
October 2018 Meeting Report

The SFO held their second meeting of the school year on October 17, 2018 at 6:30pm in the Math Room. Twenty-three members were in attendance. The opening prayer was "Prayer for SFO" and was led by Deb Kallhoff.

The secretary report has been posted on the school webpage for members to review, if needed. The treasurer report was given with a balance of \$5031.43.

Old Business

1) SFO Happenings:

- Moms on a Mission. Currently MOMS is held at 830am on Tuesdays. However, a survey was set up on our Facebook page to find a day that would work for the majority of the group to volunteer. Thursday has the majority of the vote. So, starting on October 25<sup>th</sup>, MOMS will meet on Thursday at 830am. Please sign up to help out or you may just show up if available.
- Pick up a "Giving Cross" if you are able to help out.
- Cardinal Charms are still available in limited quantities. The charms will be available to purchase at the Christmas Vendor Fair.

2) Fall Conference Meal/Treats

- SFO provided sandwiches, drinks, and cookies during fall conferences October 4<sup>th</sup>. Sandwiches were brought in from Dell's Deli. Thank you to the parents that brought in the cookies and drinks.

3) Grand Reading Day

- Thank you to all who assisted with Grand Reading Day on October 3 and with the Book Fair Week (October 1-4). It was greatly appreciated!

4) Specialty Day

- SFO is planning to set Specialty Day up for January 9<sup>th</sup>. Currently, we are working on organizing presenters. Kinsey Griffin and Megan Ahlers have volunteered to assist with setting up presenters.

5) Fundraisers for 2018-2019 School Year

- Babysitting Nights -- We have talked with Mr. Michel and have received approval for use of the gym. Also, we have talked with the church office and have the requirements for insurance and the use of the lunch room. However, we have not had luck with getting HS students signed up to babysit. We put two dates to see what would bring the most volunteers—Oct 20 or Oct 27. Mr. Michel had sign-up sheets for the students posted at school and only 3-4 seventh graders signed up. Kristi also sent an email to the HS parents, but she did not have any response from that either. Sandy Bauer motioned to try again in November for babysitting, and Megan Ahlers seconded. November 17<sup>th</sup> was chosen as the date, and SFO will try again to organize HS students to babysit for service hours.

- Basketball Concession Stands – We have put in a request for two games to serve concessions with Mr. Michel. We asked for Colman-Egan (Dec. 7) and the Lake Preston (Jan 25) games. We would like to plan either sub sandwich meals for \$6.00 or pork loin meals from Griffin's Catering for \$6.00. Jamie Swift motioned to go with the pork loin meal, and Kendra LeBrun seconded. Also, the SFO would like to sell SDSU ice cream.

6) Twas the Month Before Christmas Vendor Fair

- Vendor Fair date is set for November 10 from 9 am to 2 pm in the school gym. Vendors will be able to set up Friday night at 6pm or 7am Saturday morning. St. Mary HS students can earn service hours for helping with set up/take down. Amanda Geraets is organizing the vendor sign up and HS service hour sign up. The vendor fair registration is full and 3 extra booths were added due to the high demand. Cristy Flemmer has created this year's Advertising Flyer. Kristine Moran will donate the raffle item. Shelly Klein will organize the babysitting room. The menu will stay the same as last year. We will need 4 adults and 6 student concession stand workers. A Sign-Up Genius will be sent out by email and on our Facebook page. The table cloths and centerpieces have been purchased. Tami Geraets will place an ad in the Dell's paper and the Shopper to advertise the event.

7) Teacher Supply List Basket

- All teachers who filled out a survey have been contacted about classroom supplies. Currently, requested items are being ordered and purchased.

8) Inspiration Door Decals for Bathrooms

- One decal has been purchased, and Principal Kallhoff will place it in the girl's bathroom to see if it stays in place before ordering more.

New Business

1) Christmas Concert Treats

- This year's concert is November 30. Families starting with M-Z are to bring cookies, and A-L will serve and clean up. Jeanne Bunkers has volunteered to set-up cookies at the end of the concert. We will ask Deb to put a reminder in the school announcements closer to the date.

2) St. Nicholas Day

- St. Nicholas Day is Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Kendra LeBrun made a motion to tape candy canes and St. Nicholas prayers to HS lockers and leave in elementary gym shoes. Shelly Klein seconded. A Sign-Up Genius will be used to organize a time to put the candy canes together.

3) Art Room Kiln

- The art room is in need of a new kiln. We would like to assist with the cost of this purchase. The cost is around \$2000. Keri LeBrun made a motion to research kilns and purchase, and Jamie Swift seconded. Tami Geraets and Deb Kallhoff will look at pricing.

4) Committee Help

- Newsletter- We are looking for 2 people to organize and assemble a Fall and Spring Newsletter. Peggy Maxwell and Ann Gilbert have agreed to head up the Newsletter.
- Correspondence- We are looking for 2 people to send out cards to new St. Mary school families, families with new babies, and families experiencing a loss. Keri LeBrun and Suzanne Pica have agreed to organize the Correspondence Committee.

5) "Bench Buddy"- Jamie Swift inquired about a "Buddy Bench" for the playground. Deb Kallhoff will ask Father John his opinion.

Next meeting will be Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the HS Math Room. There will be a Wine and Canvas social to follow in the lunch room. Please sign up on Facebook Sign-Up Genius, so we have an attendance number for the instructor. Please bring a gift-filled sock for gift exchange.

The door prize winner tonight was Joni Smith! Amanda Geraets made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Suzanne Pica seconded. The closing prayer was "Prayer for Children" led by Karey Klein.