

## **St. Robert Home and School Meeting Minutes, Dec. 16, 2020**

**Present:** Lauren Beckmann, Tisha Burke, Lauren Foy, Kelly Fricano, Barb Henderson, Lisa Makowski, Teresa Mambu Rasch, Amy Schmidt, Erin Stilp, Angela Williams, Cory Wycklendt

**Excused Absences:** none

**Reflection:** Lauren Foy led the reflection.

At 6:30 Erin Stilp called the meeting to order.

The November meeting minutes were approved.

**Parish Report** – Cory Wycklendt

- For those planning to attend Christmas mass, there was a reminder to complete the survey to indicate which service you plan to attend.

**Treasurer's Report-** Tisha Burke

- There was a great response to the teacher appreciation fund with a 115% increase from last year. Teachers and staff will receive bonuses on Dec. 22.

**Fundraisers and Community Building During COVID** – All

- Lisa Sweeney is coordinating beer tasting with Good City in January.
- A virtual trivia night is also being pursued and led by Erin Stilp and Roseanna Casper.
- An option to sell fish fries by Saz's during a Friday in lent was discussed. St. Robert would receive a portion of the sales. This is a low effort fundraiser and there was strong interest from the board in pursuing this option.

**SAC/H&S Liaison Report – Terry Mambu Rasch, Lauren Beckmann**

- There was a shift in CDC guidance on quarantines from 14 days to 10 days with no testing or 7 days with a negative test on day 6 or 7. The school is plan to adopt these new guidelines after the Christmas break.
- The potential areas of focus for the paddle raise were shared with the SAC and teachers, with stronger interest in the office renovation and outdoor classroom options. The SAC voiced support for a master plan to guide decision-making for future projects. Mrs. Beckmann reminded the board that there is a process requiring formal bids and approval by the archdiocese for several projects under consideration.

**Fundraising Report/Auction Update/Paddle Raise (Kelly Fricano, Lauren Foy, Amy Schmidt)**

- Planning is underway for a virtual Emerald Auction on March 13th:
  - The areas of current focus include communications and sponsorship. A teaser will be included in the newsletter before break.
  - There will not be a printed catalogue which is a cost savings.
  - A new, streamlined platform will be used.
  - The chairs are reaching out to volunteers about reassignments as the volunteer needs differ with a virtual event.
- Lots of discussion about the options for the Paddle Raise.

- The board unanimously voted that the paddle raise would be focused on the following:
  - 75% towards the office renovation. Money raised could be added to the general funds raised from the paddle raise last year. Money raised will be added to the money already received from a donor earmarked for this project.
  - 25% for teacher bonuses; (note: money will be allotted per the structure laid out in the Christmas bonus document. Individuals who receive gift cards as part of the Christmas bonus are excluded from receiving money from the paddle raise).
- Interest remains in the development of an outdoor classroom but the board recognized more planning and research was needed and this could be a future option for the paddle raise.

Erin adjourned the meeting at 8:16p.m.

Next Home and School meeting is Jan. 20, 2021.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Makowski, Secretary, Jan. 18, 2021.