

**LCS HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEETING / TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018 / 6PM
LOURDES CATHOLIC SCHOOL LIBRARY**

In Attendance:

Angie Kaney (President), Brooke Heckinger (Secretary), Rebecca Gimbel (Treasurer Elect), Megan Stopulos (Co-Hospitality), Courtney Clark (Co-Hospitality), Jennifer Foley (Co-Volunteer Coordinator), Pam Tressel (Family Ambassador), Jessica Stubbs (Co-Room Parent Coordinator), Jenny Grobstich (Publicity), Chrissy Hayes (Starry Night), Garrin Jost (Teacher), Danielle Behnke (Teacher), Amy Paul (Asst. Principal), Sue O'Brien (LCS family), Andrea Vann (LCS Family).

OPENING PRAYER

OCTOBER MINUTES: Posted on LCS Website and Google Drive: 2018-19 Home & School Association > Meeting Minutes > H&S OCTOBER 9th 2018 Minutes [HERE](#)

President (Angie Kaney)

- In lieu of a December meeting we will have an off-site Christmas party at Barrel House, 5141 Utica Ridge Rd, Davenport. We will have a white elephant gift exchange for those that want to participate, gifts valued up to \$15. We will send reports via e-mail and if any topics need to be discussed will try to do that, but not as easy to do when meeting at a location like this.
- Discussed getting the Christmas programs recorded and offering a DVD for families to buy. Amy Paul will continue to look into this option and what would need to be done.
- Discussed options for meeting times for second half of the year, might try to have some day time meetings, but understand for working members this might not work.
- Working on a sub-committee to work on the H&S Election process. Would like to improve the process of recruitment for candidates and the voting. If you'd like to help with this reach out to Angie.

Ex-Officio (Jenny Grobstich / Nicki Johnson)

- One last purchase to be completed for the 2018 Starry Night Funds. New drinking fountain/water bottle filler will be installed once estimates are finalized and approved.

President Elect (Lindsey Jennings)

- Continuing to assist Hospitality Committee with events, PS/PK Parent-Teacher Conferences coming up.
- Exploring an idea for a "kindergartner for a day" event for PK students to experience kindergarten. Lots of logistics and questions to answer but idea that could help recruit more PK families.

Treasurer/Treasurer-Elect (Mary Guy / Rebecca Gimbel)

- Scrip: Sheryl and SCRIP team are still trying to reconcile the past few months' of activity.
- Trunk or Treat netted \$2,056 that will go towards the Washington DC trip.
- A check from Tuggers Restaurant was received for \$200, this was a great success, committee discussed hosting another night there in the Spring (Tuggers offered to do a 2nd night for us).

Volunteer Coordinators (Meghan Cornish / Jennifer Foley)

- Nothing to report, all going well.

Room Parent Coordinators (Kat Herzog / Jessica Stubbs)

- All the grades had their room parents working hard for the short Halloween parties, all were a success!
- Birthday Buddy collections are totaled and thanks to an additional donation from a Lourdes family each faculty and staff will receive \$30. Cards with SCRIP certificates will be distributed shortly and looking into suggestions to improve process for next year.

Family Ambassadors (Pam Tressel / Amanda Kosarek)

- No report

Anniversary Committee (Kris Girskis)

- No report

Administrator Updates (Ms. Alongi / Mrs. Paul)

- Trunk or Treat was well done! Thanks to Mrs. Heck and all the parents that helped make this event successful!
- Parent-Teacher conferences for K-8 went well and the teachers really appreciated the excellent food provided by Lourdes Families. Thank you to the hospitality committee and all that donated!
- Iowa Assessments for Grades 2-8 concluded, some make-up testing is being wrapped up.
- Prayer workshops with Fr. Chris and Fr. Jason are going well, Thursday afternoons in the church.
- Prayer with the Principal continues to be the first Friday of each month at 8:00 AM in the church.
- STEAM initiative is ongoing. We have had six donations so far and going to discuss at the next marketing meeting how to encourage donation before the deadline. The flyer was in the church bulletin this last weekend.
- Bishop Zinkula has indicated his support of a feasibility study for a capital campaign to relocate Lourdes Church and School to the northeast corner of Bettendorf.
- Due to Ms. Smith's resignation, a new PreK teacher will be hired. Planning on the start date to be the Monday after Thanksgiving. Once the contract has been signed we will introduce the teacher to the Lourdes community.
- Would like to increase the number of substitute teachers and substitute teacher aides on our list. No special license is necessary to be a substitute aide. If you know anyone that might be interested please have them contact Ms. Alongi.

Teacher Updates (Mrs. Behnke / Mr. Jost)

- Thank you for all the amazing food we even enjoyed the leftovers for lunch a few days.

Hospitality (Courtney Clark / Megan Stopulos)

- Blown away with our amazing Lourdes community. The sign up for conferences went out somewhat late, but families stepped up and signed up. Everything was signed up for and covered, we were able to provide food and beverages for our teachers during their busy conference week.
- Evaluating preschool/preK teacher meals/snacks for their conferences, doing a "gift basket" style idea.

Publicity (Jenny Grobstich)

- November's LCS Newsletter was posted to the LCS website, Facebook and sent via email.
- Increase LCS presence on Instagram.
- Thank you to Kris Girsakis and Miranda Lawrence for continuing to make posts and events on Facebook. Families enjoy seeing pictures and getting information about upcoming events.

FUNDRAISING

SCRIP (Donica Mocosak)

- SCRIP slam contest ends this week, November 30th and December 2nd will have SCRIP Elves and Santa. Another contest and more fun things to come.

Starry Night (Chrissy Hayes)

- Wish list for the school has been approved and we will soon begin asking for sponsors and auction donations.
- Website was updated by Jenny Grobstich, with new date and information.

Corporate Fundraising (Brooke Heckinger)

- Our first classroom contest for the year wrapped up and 3rd grade won even with the larger class size bringing down their per student average. The announcement hasn't been made yet but they won a "themed" NUT day that Ms. Alongi will need to approve theme and date.
- Will roll right into another contest and hopefully get families to gather box tops over the holidays. Discussed increasing the excitement of the contest, difficult when you can't keep a running tally like food drive does. Andrea Vahn mentioned making some kind of poster showing progress for classes. We can do this if we collect contents of boxes more often and count labels to post results. Brooke will reach out to Sonia and she is able to help count them more often we will try this. Prize for this contest still to be determined.

Monthly Restaurant Fundraising (Jessica Stubbs / Linda Mosher)

- Panera night brought in \$126.18, still need to get total from Chipotle. These events go over well and are fairly easy to organize if anyone has any suggestions on locations to look into please contact Jessica.

OPEN DISCUSSION / COMMENTS / QUESTIONS / CONCERNS

NONE

CLOSING PRAYER.

UPCOMING HOME & SCHOOL MEETING Monday, December 10th 6pm at Barrel House on Utica Ridge