

**Meeting of the St. Vincent's Parents & Friends Organization
May 19, 2010**

Board Member Denise Stave led the opening prayer.

Board members present were: Gerry Kubicka, Bob Boracchia, Kathy Miller, Tracey Murphy, Irene Borba, Joan Chojnacki, Mary Haller, Tony Lombardi, Laura Shooter, Denise Stave, Jeri Tidwell and Fern Youngswick. New board members present were Adrienne Kulasingam, Reno Nalducci, Cathy Yarger and Tiki Martin. Excused new board member was Meaveen Meyer. Unexcused member was Kelly Norman. Mrs. Roffmann, Dr. Walker and Joanne Ferris were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 4/21/10 MEETING:

Joan Chojnacki made a motion for approval of the minutes from the PFO's April 21, 2010 meeting. The motion was seconded by Tony Lombardi and passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Gerry welcomes our new board members and thanks them for coming and joining our group. They are Hope Curry, Cathy Yarger, Maureen Highland, Meaveen Meyer, Adrienne Kulasingam, Reno Nalducci and Tiki Martin. Gerry also thanks outgoing board members Kathy Miller, Denise Stave, Irene Borba, Mary Haller, Jeri Tidwell and Pam Saisi. Gerry also reports that Joan Chojnacki will be in charge of the back to school functions at the high school and elementary school in August.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tracey reports that we have about \$29,000 in the bank. We anticipate making a profit of approximately \$15,000 on the golf tournament. After the golf tournament, we will make our last distribution to the schools for the school year based on the proceeds from the tournament.

PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

Mrs. Roffmann gave the Elementary School update. She wants to thank everyone involved in the PFO for their involvement and hard work. Six children from SVES participated in the debate tournament at SVHS. All six placed in first or second in their categories and SVES took second place in the entire tournament. This is particularly impressive in light of the fact that SVES took a much smaller team to the tournament than any of the other schools that participated. Thanks to SVHS for hosting. The junior high play was a great success. The kids did a great job, the play was wonderful and everyone had a lot of fun. Family fun night was held at SVES last week. A great time was had by all even though it was very cold. SVES is heading towards graduation and summer vacation. They eighth graders are very excited and they have all stopped working. Thanks to all for another great year.

Dr. Walker gave the High School update. SVHS held the 24th Academic Awards ceremony last Thursday to a full house in Tillman Hall in order to honor the best scholars. On May 6th, seventeen different seniors presented their service projects. The service project program is very popular with the students. Service projects presented included a physician's internship, Africa, Mexico, cancer awareness and others. The Speech and Debate Awards were that same night. SVHS had three speech and debate teams go to the national championships in Georgetown. Also, on May 6th, SVHS finished administering the last of 140 AP exams. All of the college matriculation data is in and it is very impressive. Ten seniors were accepted to UC Berkeley. Prom was held last Sunday and was extraordinarily sweet. It was a very happy and a lovely scene with very fun and cheerful students and everyone made it home safely. The seniors go to Disneyland tomorrow and return on Friday. The Sports Awards will take place on Sunday. The boys' varsity baseball team won 15 consecutive games and the golf team won the Coastal Mountain Golf Championships. Track and Field, Swimming, Softball and Tennis teams are all having great seasons as well. There is a literary magazine reading at Copperfield's on the 26th. Michael Barr's production of *The Women* opens on May 27th, immediately following senior sunset. The play was showcased at assembly on May 12th. The ability to showcase the play highlights the benefits of having an auxiliary period and allows SVHS to focus on outcomes and community building. Tim Shea Day on the Green is next Friday which is also the last day of regular classes. Finals state on June 1st. The Baccalaureate mass and dinner are scheduled for June 5th and graduation is on June 6th. SVHS will be saying goodbye to Mr. Kavanaugh, Mr and Mrs. Blasser and Ms. Sheckler-Smith. Hello to Phil Downs, who is the new dean of students. Mr. Downs is a graduate of St. Ignatius High School, UC Berkeley and is working on obtaining his credential from Dominican. He also is a veteran of the mounted San Francisco police squad. SVHS has 76 freshmen for next year with the number still rising. We are very happy with the enrollment for next year given the economy and obstacles we faced because of the economy. Many events for incoming freshmen have already been held and they are already bonding with each other. Block scheduling will be expanded to four days next year. There was a great consensus on the schedule. Thanks to PFO for making so many great things happen for the high school this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

500 CLUB - Jeri Tidwell reported on the 500 Club. Winners for May were: Betty Webster - \$200; Rachel Balmy - \$100; Al Marcucci- \$100; Jane Fowles- \$50; Jo-Ann Giunti- \$50; James Skubic - \$25; and the Booth Family- \$25. Congratulations to all our winners! Drawings will continue through the summer. Look for your tickets for next school year's 500 Club to come in the mail over the summer.

GOLF TOURNAMENT – Fern Youngswick reported on the golf tournament progress. We are sold out! The golf tournament will be held on Friday, May 21st at Rooster Run. Tee-off will be at 1:30. The proceeds from this year's golf tournament will be used to implement targeted new programs at the elementary school and high school for a resource and guidance center, visual and performing arts, technology systems and support. We are looking for either a chairperson or someone to co-chair (with Fern) the golf tournament next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Formal Vote on Inclusion of New Board Members – Hope Curry, Cathy Yarger, Maureen Highland, Meaveen Meyer, Adrienne Kulasingam, Reno Nalducci and Tiki Martin – passed unanimously by the Board. Welcome aboard and thank you for volunteering your time and talents.
2. PFO Sponsored Auction Dinner is set for July 24th. Gerry needs at least four board members to help with the dinner beginning at 5. The party will start at 6. Gerry will be in touch with the board members regarding the details closer to the event.
3. Fiscal Processes Committee Inauguration – After discussions with Gerry, Bob, Tracey and Fern, it was decided that the PFO’s fiscal processes need to be put into writing so everyone knows how we handle our fundraising efforts. A committee will be formed with Bob, Tracey, Gerry and Fern and two new board members to help put together a list of guidelines. Adrienne Kulasingam and Tiki Martin volunteered to help.
4. SV Elementary School “Spirit Scholarship Award” of \$500 will be announced Thursday morning, May 27th. This award goes to a SVES sixth grader who is selected by Mrs. Roffmann and the faculty at SVES. This year’s recipient is Bradley Leach. Congratulations!
5. Parent Service Hour “Committee Chair Request” – Bob and Gerry discussed with Mrs. Roffmann the need to have a PFO board member chair the committee. Please think about whether you would like to be the chair of that committee and Gerry will be looking for someone to volunteer to assume that position in the fall.
6. Baccalaureate Dinner. Irene Thompson needs help with the dinner so if you can help on Saturday, June 5th, please let Irene know. Her email is irene@irenethompson.name.

The next PFO board meeting will be August 18, 2010 at 7:30pm at St. Vincent’s High School.

Reno Nalducci made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Laura Shooter and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kathy Miller, Secretary.