

PREP MOMS - March 1, 2016

I. Opening Prayer-Mr. Naatz

II. Introductions

Attendees:

Cathy Goracke

Elizabeth Stolze

Kelly Hickey

Stacey Burke

Julie Dunbar

Heidi Leaders

Diane Delaney

Barb Hechtner

Beth Rivera

Maureen Emodi

III. President's Report - Fr. Neitzke

In reflection of the last year he has been president:

- Freshman Registration was last night. Probably by tomorrow 277 will be registered. 270 was target, so a wait list will start after that number.
- Largest gift in history for the Loyola Scholars program, especially to serve the communities that have been difficult to convince that Prep is not so unattainable, when before it might not have been achievable.
- New monument signs – 72nd Street
- Construction soon on parking lot near Ambassador. Will be shared parking. Homes on NW side will be demolished. 120 spots for Prep, 50 spots for Ambassador. New entrance will be in place.
- Will revisit master campus plan in the next year. Last one was when the east side of the school addition was built. Includes renovating Skinner Chapel to serve more capacity.
- New principal Mr. Bopp. July 1 start date.
- April 1 new VP for Advancement will be announced.
- Will be restarting search for Director of Diversity. After Mr. Mitchell left, spot was not backfilled.
- Reno of Commons and new lunch program. Commons – the forum space which was originally built as a theater will have a stained glass window on west wall (Jesuit IHS seal) to allow more light. There will be high top seating w/ charging stations, etc. Piano stage will be demolished. Modernizing the space. Total renovation of the kitchen. Serving line and beverages station. Will start as soon as school ends. Should be ready for first day of school. Eventually there will be an a la carte breakfast and after school “snack shack.” This renovation has been paid for.
- Prep Moms will still plan to have the monthly lunches for faculty/staff.
- Senior off-campus privilege: undecided. There is a potential liability to allow them to be off-campus during the school day.

IV. Principal's Report - Mr. John Naatz

- Thank you for all accomplishments since last meeting Jan 12. Mom Prom a great success.
- Good news: tribute to senior class. Applied for early action/early acceptance: Some of these examples were 10/10 accepted at Boston College; 2/2 Georgetown; 3/3 Notre Dame; 1/1 Yale; 8/10 Fordham; 5/5 nominations accepted to military academies.
- Cinematic history made by two students in Mr. Caniglia's class. Will be at Village Pointe Cinema at Omaha Film Festival.
- Kudos to Mr. Caniglia for supporting students with such enthusiasm for students' artistic interests, i.e., two students expressed an interest in fashion design, Mr. Caniglia procured a sewing machine and teacher, the students learned how to sew and will submit designs to Omaha Fashion Week.
- Freshman Registration 275 attended. Probably will be 277 by end of week. Attended a Principal's meeting this week with other Catholic high schools - enrollment is way up at all the schools.
- Faculty: Three retirees Sharon D'Agosta, Jim Krueger, Scott Sibbersen.
- Mr. Hainfield, a James Madison fellow at UNO, will give a paper at SAC as part of his masters coursework.
- Naatz and Nietzke will be in Chicago at a presidents and principals meeting of schools from 25 schools in the Chicago/Detroit/Wisconsin Province. Mr. Bopp will also attend.
- Upcoming events: this is dead week for mid-terms before spring break. Conferences and late starts upcoming. Faculty/staff retreat. Easter. Senior Retreat.

V. Prep Moms President's Report

Recent Events

General Business

- Have had two faculty luncheons since last mtg.
- Freshman costume dance was in February
- 7th grade practice exam 2/13 - provided breakfast for faculty moderating.
- Prep Moms Executive Board will meet at end of March before next Prep Moms general meeting in April.
- March 23 is the Prep Moms evening of reflection. Fr. Neitzke will say Mass and speak. Lisa Wellendorf looking for volunteers for this event.
- The spring break maintenance crew breakfast is next week.
- Mission week bake sale will be Apr. 11-15. Signup genius will be sent out via Prep Pulse.
- There will be a sign up for post prom volunteers as well. Post prom party will be shortened. Will be at alley V at Oakview. Also need prom chaperones. Prom Apr 30/May 1 Post Prom. Prom will be at Skutt Center on Creighton's campus.

V. Committee Reports

Freshman Costume Dance - Polly Snodgrass-Evans.

Faculty/Staff Luncheon - Terry Laughlin

6th and 7th Grade Practice Exam - Wendy Prosser

Mom Prom - Kristine Sudyka/Kelly Hickey. +/- attended. Approx. \$13,000 raised net
(total numbers yet to be finalized).

Freshman Registration - Katie Hupp/Jen Cunningham sold books for summer read.

Faculty/Staff Luncheon - Julie Hilmer/Laura Shrager

VI. Upcoming Activities

Spring Break Maintenance Crew Support Breakfast - Christy Flint. Sent up a SignUp
Genius for volunteers to donate.

Prep Moms Spring Retreat - March 22 Lisa Wellendorf/Erin Keller

Faculty Staff Luncheon - Patty Cronin/Ann Tjaden. Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day theme.

Looking at Wed. 4/13 or Thurs. 4/14.

VII. Closing Prayer

Next Prep Moms Meeting: April TBD Guest Speaker - Mr. Naatz