



## **Prep Moms January 23, 2018**

- I. Opening Prayer – Mr. Dan Kennedy, SJ
- II. Introductions
- III. Principal's Report – Mr. Jim Bopp
  - Student Support Services, brief review of Fr. Nietzsche's overview last Prep Moms meeting - new program which includes a school psychologist in addition to the other counseling staff currently in place.
  - Testing day, near record turnout 367 (up 30 from last year). Set records for the pre-entrance exams - 220 7<sup>th</sup> graders, 100 6<sup>th</sup> graders.
  - Mr. Ryberg's Dean of Students report from last semester – average number of demerits was 4.4; 47% had 0 demerits, 0 JUGs or Saturday JUGs. 84% of students earned 10 demerits or less. No students have been expelled for disciplinary review board. Zero violations for distribution of drugs or alcohol (used to be at least some instances); 2 violations of substance abuse at school function; 0 for off-campus use; 5 for vaping. Random drug test – 448 given out, 11 tested positive (2.5% test rate). Follow-up test (100 days after) – 0 positive. Attendance – mostly due to club sports.
  - Campus Ministry – Ignatian Heritage month. Wed. Jan. 24 will be ribbon-cutting for the ToMorrow Labs. Any student may use the facility.
  - Staffing change – Fr. Kroll will be moving to Milwaukee after this school year.
- IV. Special Guest - Director of Student Activities, Mr. Dan Kennedy, SJ
  - Works with activities that don't fall under official sports, academics, or Campus Ministry organizations.
  - Has three overarching goals: 1) to enhance school spirit, Prep is larger than playing an individual part; 2) to make school a social center again, with everything online and social media social time has shifted; 3) Communication, by way of: a) to improve communication among all stakeholders, inside and outside the building. b) to engage student interest as freshman; c) to be a formative area of the school as well.
  - Four major initiatives to embody the strategy for student life: 1) CP Birdcage app, fan loyalty rewards program; 2) House Cup competition renewal, to make it something that will make the students want to be more invested in earning house points; 3) New TV signage

system to keep students informed about what's going on in the building; 4) Fan experience, to increase this other than just big events like Christmas in the Cage.

- Two new events: Prep-a-palooza at Homecoming (rained out this year); will be moved to the spring. Anyone can come. Bro-ha-ha, Th 2/15 gaming etc. evening.
- Prep offers 65+ co-curricular activities
- Areas of further growth – egaming is big; hopes of making it more social than just a solitary pastime. Bridge program to learn something that ToMorrow labs offers w/o being fully involved. Intramurals, try and have some of these here on campus instead of at the Y etc. Recognizing different clubs and what they do, to raise awareness of them. Making sure the student club leaders are communicating effectively with those who are interested in the clubs.

V. Recent Prep Moms Events

- Freshman Christmas Dance, about 300 in attendance
- Christmas Cookies for Faculty/Staff, about 140 packages
- Operation Others Volunteer Lunch, fed 200 volunteers on packing day
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Scholarship/Entrance Exam combined with 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Grade Practice Test, provided breakfast for the proctor volunteers
- Maintenance Staff Christmas Breakfast

VI. Upcoming Events

- Ignatian Breakfasts – February 8 and May 8. Sign Up Genius for Feb 8 is out.
- Mom Prom Update – February 12
- Freshman Costume Dance – February 23
- Freshman Registration – February 28. May need some volunteers to greet parents at entrance.
- Faculty/Staff Goodie Bags – March 13. Julie Dunbar is looking for an extra help. Contact her if you are interested.
- Prep Moms Retreat with Fr. Kevin Schneider – March 15
- Prom, Thompson Alumni Center at UNO – April 28
- Post Prom – April 29

VII. Closing Prayer and SoulCare Pilates with Christina Diers!

*Next Prep Moms Meeting, Tuesday, March 27, 7pm, Carta Hall of Fame Room*

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