

**St. Juliana Parent Club
General Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2007**

This meeting was the second regularly scheduled meeting of the St. Juliana Parent Club for the 2007-2008 school year.

President Dave Bigley called the meeting to order at 7:37pm.

Opening prayer was led by Ken Watts.

Board Members present were Mrs. Santoni, Dave Bigley, Steve Farrell, Terrie Labreche, Ken Watts, Tracey Irving, and Marla Dorsey.

Board Member(s) unable to attend were Rick Price and Megan Shank.

Handouts included the Agenda.

The prior month's minutes will be approved with the November minutes.

Principal's Report

Due to printing problems report cards will not be mailed until Monday, November 12. Gradelink is working well. There was positive feedback from those in attendance on the grade alert feature of Gradelink.

Mrs. Santoni requested parents have patience when it comes to grades being posted on Gradelink. Given the duties and responsibilities of teachers it is unrealistic to expect any teacher to post grades on a daily basis. Teachers need a three-day lead time to enter the class and homework grades and one week to enter test, report, and essay grades.

The free-dress day contributions exceeded \$850. The money will be distributed equally to Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities for the fire and flood victims.

President's Report

Capital Campaign is going well. Currently have \$803,000 in pledges. The goal is \$1,000,000 in pledges. To date approximately \$570,000 actual pledge money has been received and has covered the draws for construction. As a result the principal loan has not been drawn from. The construction draw due next month may also be covered by pledge money.

Treasurer's Report

In Rick Price's absence Dave reported that the budget is on target for the 2007-2008 school year.

Committee Reports

Dining for Dollars: Debbie Shimaoka reported there was a great turn out at Chuck E. Cheese this evening. 15% of the proceeds from tonight will be returned to the school. Debbie is working with BJ's Brewery to ensure the Dining for Dollars program can be

implemented at the Brea location. It was suggested a mass e-mail is sent to parents to notify them of Dining for Dollar nights. Debbie requested additional ideas on how participation in the program could be increased.

Auction: Tracey Irving reported there will be an auction meeting held next week. Donations are needed for the auction; please turn in donation sheets Good pictures were received for the program cover contest. Tracey requested families to complete the invitee list and returned it.

Guest Speaker – Pete Bowen, President, Servite High School

Pete Bowen became President of Servite High School in 2003. At that time the school had a solid administrative-academic-parental foundation but Pete knew the school needed to build from there. He and his advisors began to ask “Who are we?” and “What are we about?” They determine Servite was about brotherhood, a transforming experience, students needed to be a leader for themselves, and the students needed to be a leader for others. As a result of the questions that were asked and the determinations made the tag line for Servite was created and is *Forming faith filled leaders*. What Servite focuses on is derived from this tag line and what they know they must focus on to be successful. Their focus is academics, teamwork, character, spiritual, and leadership.

Pete emphasized that catholic schools are often viewed today as a public school with religious classes attached to it. For a catholic school to survive it must be viewed differently by the parish and community at large. The school must be seen as an exciting and fulfilling place to attend. To do this the school must invest in their view of who they are. Investing in who you are gives the students and their parents a more fulfilling feeling. This feeling can lead to greater support of the school both financially and in volunteer hours.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43pm

Respectfully submitted,
Terrie Labreche
Secretary