

# Guerin Catholic High School

Parent Guild Meeting  
August 7, 2013

Meeting began 9:12 a.m.

**Attendees:** Kelly Bluish, Kendra Schultz, Marge Haigh, Cathy Kroeff, Diane Reardon, Shari Vickery, Colleen Ward, Tracey Stanton, Margaret Fallin, Connie Freiburger, Christina Banks, Amy Edwards, Debbie Fellmeth, Mary Hinkebein, Carolyn DeFelippis, Consuelo Fossati, Roberta O'Boyle, Karen Volpe, Karen Semler, Lisa Johnson, Scott McNamee, Paul Lunsford, and James McNeany

Margaret Fallin opened meeting with a prayer. The May 2013 minutes were distributed and approved as written. Margaret distributed community chair and board members their folders for the Parent Guild 2013-2014. Each attendee introduced themselves.

(Secretaries' comments in italics)

## **Director of Marketing & Communications: Colleen Ward**

1. Providence Fund Dinner, *originally called the Annual Fund*
  - a. Provides unrestricted gifts at G.C.
  - b. Event September 18, 2013, *hosted by President Paul Lunsford*
  - c. The dinner will be the kick-off to the annual fundraising campaign
  - d. *Per Shari Vickery*, a mailer will be sent out 1-2 days after the dinner for the Fund Campaign
2. Guerin's Ten Year Anniversary
  - a. Kay Crawford will be in charge of the anniversary
  - b. Kay will create a booklet
  - c. *Meeting attendees suggested to pair Kay and the Historian Committee*
3. CYO night changes: The following will take place instead of CYO night
  - a. Different parishes will be highlighted at each home football game
  - b. Fifth –Eighth grade students with their families will be invited
  - c. There will be Catered tailgating and free t-shirts
  - d. Parent Guild to help spread out the word to parishes and public student families

## **President of G.C.: Paul Lunsford**

1. Bring the light of Christ and Truth through education
2. It's vital to educate with God's truth
3. *As adults* we need to be engaged in the battle of growing spiritually so children will be inspired
4. G.C. has the opportunity to help form our children to what God wants them to be
5. P.G. is support *by the President*, please ask for any help needed

## **Office of Advancement: Shari Vickery**

1. Correction: David Rick is Director of Advancement
2. Providence Fund *repeated see above under Director of Marketing*
3. First Christmas Bizarre will be held Nov. 23
  - a. Jackie Newborn is Lead
  - b. 28 registered vendors will attend, poinsettia sale will be incorporated
4. Gala date is Feb. 8, 2014
5. June 10 or 17, 2014 will be golf outing
  - a. Chris Buhler had idea for athletic department to give back to school

- b. Funds for the outing will be given back to school and not for the athletic program
- 6. Looking to start a parent volunteer group for Advancement
  - a. Joanne Johnson will be hosting a get-together with freshmen and sophomore Mom's September 24, 2013 from 8a.m. to 10a.m.
- 7. Scott Sigmund, Booster club, having an event on sportsmanship
  - a. *Attendants suggested Scott work with Parent-to-Parent Committee*

### **Director of Campus Ministry: Scott McNamee**

- 1. Freshmen Orientation this Saturday, *August 10*
  - a. Upper classmen will mentor and tell what it means to be a Golden Eagle
  - b. There will be stations set up for students
  - c. Parents will stay until noon *and learn about what Guerin has to offer* and have a chance to ask questions
- 2. Other Orientation is August 13, 2013
- 3. Student retreats
  - a. Senior Retreat will be at Camp Tecumseh *and the theme will be Legacy in August*
  - b. Freshmen retreat in *Aug/Sep*
  - c. Sophomore will be staffed by upper classmen and in December
  - d. Junior retreats, there will be 1 of 3 to choose from and signups will be during orientation
- 4. Service Day: November 12, 2013, discussing options with Westfield and Noblesville
- 5. New wing: finishing last details, check it out
- 6. Grotto renovations
  - a. Stations of the cross done by G.C. student, Pearl Brooks *for Girl Scout project*
  - b. Staff member, Mike Griswold made materials for stations
  - c. Left space of Grotto area was opened up
- 7. Homecoming October 7-11, no semi-formal, casual dress, after the game
- 8. Protocol Training
  - a. *Every volunteer needs to complete* Protocol Training every 5 years
  - b. All directors and committee chairs check your volunteers and have their parish send a copy
  - c. Training will be offered Aug. 20 at 4p.m. *Check with parishes for additional trainings offered*
- 9. Lands' End
  - a. Lengthening skirts 3 inches
  - b. *Pencil* skirt last year, still the same length
  - c. Rule stands, skirts to be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.
- 10. Pizza provider changed from Dominos to Marcos

### **UBUS: Christina Banks and Amy Edwards**

- 1. UBUS sold \$25,000 this year, last year \$28,500 (was expected to be lower this year due to incoming freshmen allowed to wear Lands' End only)
- 2. Parent Guild *should help get the word out* that 10% goes to teacher wish lists and all the committees P.G. supports.
- 3. Point was made by attendees that the second UBUS sale is after Follett's return book sale with free shipping.

### **Treasurer: Kelly Bluish**

- 1. *Presented Year End Budget*, numbers not in for anything after June 30
- 2. Consistent for the past 2 years
- 3. Lock-in was a surprise last year

4. P.G. fund granted \$26,000 of wish lists last year
5. UBUS made \$2, 500 profit

### **PRINCIPAL: James McNeany**

1. *Introduced himself*, has 4 children and 1 on the way, wife is also a teacher and has a love for education
2. New teacher orientation in progress
3. *Excitement expressed about the new teachers, the Sisters and his new position*
4. P.G. discussed guild's role at G.C., *stated gratification that parent involvement doesn't stop at high school level*
5. *Expressed his support for P.G.*
6. Copy of Parent Directory will be available *for parents*
7. Refocusing on dress code and taking pride in appearance
  - a. Spirit days will stay in place this year
  - b. Athletes will not dress up for game day, *they will wear school uniform.*
8. Locker problem being addressed to secure backpacks, preliminary zoning meeting went well for temporary locker room

### **President of Parent Guild: Margaret Fallin**

1. *Committees* check purple folders in copy room for mail
2. All communication needs to be sent to Connie Freiburger no later than Tuesdays to be in Friday's emails
3. Website information updates take 1 week, plan accordingly *to give time for communication to be posted*
4. Back to School Bash secured a gold level booster club donation membership
  - a. Contact Pam Ridout to volunteer, there is a sign-up Genius started
  - b. Football players requested to help with School Bash clean-up
5. Dominican Sisters food drive in January 2014
6. Voted and Approved on the following for 2013-2014 Guild Members
  - a. Melanie Weisiger: Prom
  - b. Karen Semler: Appreciation/Tues. Treats
  - c. Tracey Stanton and Roberta O'Boyle: Appreciation/Meals
7. P.G. updates were made to website

Meeting adjourned  
10:39 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2013 AT 9:00A.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM**

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Johnson  
Guerin Catholic Parent Guild Secretary

