

SCHOOL EVENTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 14th, 2016

SFX School, 7pm

Meeting began promptly at 7 pm with prayer offered by Mrs. Michelle Russo

Members present: Susan Alexander, Laura Duarte, Raquel Antonio, Kristine Buss, Nellie Hotte, Keri Borba, Colleen Martin, Tina Tetreault, Maryann Ribeiro, Shannon Kearney.

Mother/Son Lego Movie Night- This evening of fun for our moms and sons was a huge hit! It was very well received, and very easy to run. The boys had a blast building with Legos and creating their necklaces (Thanks, Sheri!). It was agreed that social events such as this one should be considered and continued in the future. While not a profit building event, events such as these build relationships and school culture.

Vendor Fair – A huge thank you to Jenalyn Gobern for making this year's vendor fair a great success! The event raised \$1,500, which is comparable to years past. The energy and enthusiasm shown both vendors and shoppers was noticeable and notable. There were many new vendors this year, who were happy to be a part of our fundraising efforts. The traffic seemed a bit quiet, but many school families stopped by to be able to take advantage of the spirit wear day offered for attendance at the fair. It was noted that one to two more volunteers could have been used. The addition of the malassadas was excellent, yet labor intensive.

St. Nicholas Feast Day- Plans are in the works for a fun St. Nicholas Feast Day for our students. Students will leave a shoe in the hallway on the 5th for filling by St. Nicholas, and will be visited by St. Nick in their classrooms on the morning of the 6th. Students will be asked and encouraged to donate one gently used toy Gifts to Give as part of our celebration of St. Nicholas on the 6th as well. Students offer St. Nicholas collected nickels, which St. Nick will be donating to a charitable cause. Our school family will gather in the gym at 10am for cookies and milk with St. Nicholas and a brief assembly. St. Nicholas will also be cutting the ribbon to open his workshop!_

Spring Gala- This year's Spring Gala theme is *Open Doors*. St. Francis is opening doors to new opportunities, new families, and new adventures! The first gala interest meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 7th at 7pm in the school library. As we all know, this event is the largest fundraiser of the school year, and it takes the effort of MANY to be a success. The areas of sponsorship, solicitation, decorations and baskets will all be discussed at the meeting. All parents are encouraged to be continuously thinking of creative auction items.

Next SEC meeting will be held on Monday, December 5th at 7pm at the school.

Please join us if you are able, as we will **be stuffing goodies in 266 shoes that night for St. Nicholas!!**