

THE COLLEGE OF ST. SCHOLASTICA
Parents Advisory Council

Fall Meeting
Saturday, September 26, 2009; 8:30 a.m.
Mitchell Auditorium Kitchenette

Minutes

PRESENT: Nancy Lane, Dave Smith, Laura Clements, Kelly Hogen, Becky Johnson, Dan and Michelle Huberty, Darrell and Jennifer Gorham, and Jeanne Thompson.

ABSENT: Kay Dahlka, Barbara Kernan, Lisa Marvin, and John and Nancy Kaplan.

E-Newsletter Topics and Assignments

Discussion carried over from our August meeting on topics for our first-ever Parent-to-Parent E-Newsletter scheduled to go out the end of October. Assignments and topics are as follows:

Promoting the Student Health Office: Darrell and Jennifer Gorham>

Residential Life: Laura Clements.

Changing Majors: Dave Smith and Nancy Lane.

Volunteering Opportunities: Becky Johnson.

Ask us (provide parents the opportunity to submit questions, etc.) – Kelly Hogen.

Taking the Bus – Dan Huberty.

Articles (they don't have to be in final format) should be short and will link to further information on the College Web site. Jeanne and her staff will make this happen.

Please submit them to Jeanne by October 15. For those not at the meeting, there will be opportunities to submit articles in future e-news.

Parent Forum

Discussion took place on how we should address the parents for the Parent Forum taking place at 10:00 a.m. that same morning in the Mitchell Auditorium. It was agreed to be very informal.

NOTE: We only had two parents show up for our forum . . . so it was VERY informal ☺

Parent Table at Tailgate Party

Jeanne went over the time slots for working the Parent Table during the Tailgate Party and discussed what we would be talking to parents about – beyond welcoming them. This included requesting e-mail addresses, providing them with a "Saints Alert" flyer, handing them a Parent Button, and talking about what the Parents Advisory Council is all about . . . if asked.

Thanks to Jennifer and Darrell, Laura, Kelly, Nancy and Dave, Becky, Dan and Michelle, and Lisa for helping in this effort.

Parent Fund

Brief discussion took place on the importance of the Parent Fund. Appeal letters should be in the mail mid-October, and Nancy and Dave agreed to be the writers/signers this fall.

We are also in the leadership phase of a multi-year Science Initiative to expand our current Science Center. Jeanne will be able to provide more information after the Board of Trustees meeting to be held the end of October.

Group Photo

A group photo took place at the beginning of our meeting with those in attendance on the steps of Tower Hall. Check out the photo on our Web site.

Next Meeting Discussion:

We discussed the timing of having another meeting and felt that we needed to meet again before Thanksgiving. The date Saturday, November 21, was suggested. Jeanne will check with Tobie's in Hinckley to check on availability of their meeting room.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Thompson