

SOS

Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2020

Present

15 in-person/approx. 12 virtually online

Devotion

Pastor Mehl-Genesis 4: Worldly men performed great things yet inherently evil. But God provides a way for sinful persons to be forgiven namely Naamah thought to be Noah's wife.

Minutes

Julie Bonar-discussed minutes from the September 2020 meeting-those minutes were reviewed and approved.

Student Government

Angel Lai-Brief discussion on Homecoming festivities for the upcoming week.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was presented and reconciled. September 1 balance was \$9606.30. Deposits were \$1513.52, Expenditures for September were \$918.43. Ending balance for September was \$10201.39. Motion to approve was seconded and the September treasurers report was approved.

Director's Report

Pastor Mehl-Gifting has been up and is keeping pace with the budget deficit caused by fewer International students amid Covid. A few students have been added bringing the total to 162

Special Guest

Dr. Jerrode Marsh-presented the plans for the inaugural Saint Paul Christkindlesmarkt which will take place on the SPLHS campus December 11-13, 2020. This event will entertainment, and fun to the SPLHS campus all while providing revenue producing activities for SPLHS, and area vendors and businesses. This event will be fun and festive all while allowing SPLHS to raise capital by selling most of the food and drink sales while other vendors will rent booths and concentrate on period specific goods and services which match the taste and décor of a traditional German Christkindlesmarkt. Dr. Marsh highlighted a couple ways SOS could raise funds in conjunction with this event.

1. SOS would purchase, prepare and sell German style brats to attendees.
2. SOS would bring the Saints store outdoors and offer normal Saints items along with event souvenirs for sale; ie. Special Christkindlesmarkt mugs, ornaments, and apparel items for sale.

The event was discussed, and a motion was made in favor of SOS sponsoring both fundraising activities. The motion passed- Laramie Johnson will head the brat preparation staff assisted by

Pastor Mehl and Jennifer Isdell and Julie Bonar will make sure the Saints store is prepped and open for the event.

Resource Committees

Touch of Home-Rita Fiene discussed how students will be staying on campus this year for Holidays instead of going to host families to aide in prevention of Covid spread. The student's daily meals are being handled. However, the faculty would like to see students receive special meals on Thanksgiving and Christmas. SOS agreed, the requests for meals was discussed. A motion was made and seconded to provide the special meals. The motion carried and SOS will prepare and serve the special meals.

Gatekeepers-Marta Pitch: discussed the need for gatekeepers and for everyone to subscribe and check the textcaster for dates needing help and sign up on-line.

Saints Store-Jennifer Isdell: Trying to keep Saints Store open as much as possible even with game cancellations and staffing shortages. An on-line sale will be occurring prior to Christmas.

Rummage Sale report-Rita Fiene discussed the results of the fall rummage sale. Revenue yielded \$9805.33 and will be deposited and presented in the October budget. Rita reported the building needs cleaned and discussion about more volunteers being needed to relieve some of those who are always doing the work.

Sausage Dinner update-Beth Lange discussed how the cancelled March SOS Sausage dinner had been cancelled but had been rescheduled for November 1st as a drive thru event. There will be no decorating the dining hall this year as the orders will be placed by driving up and having orders filled curb side. Cost is free will donation with proceeds benefiting SOS.

LSAM update-Julie Bonar discussed the cancellation of SPLHS as the host for LSAM this year due to Covid. It remains unclear if the LSAM volleyball tournament will occur, but it will not be hosted by SPLHS this year.

Fellowship Committee-Lorie Kreisel and Leah McKeage, Volunteers are needed to assist in this year's Homecoming Bon Fire. SPLHS staff will assist with tents, lighting, and fire and Committee volunteers will prep and serve the food. Attendees discussed food safety and Covid protocol. Lori discussed the measures put into place to protect the students and attendees ie. gloves, facemasks, hand sanitizer stations, and volunteers doing all the food touching with gloves. The bonfire and celebration will include Hot Dogs, Smores, and Hot drinks. Follow up discussion focused on assuring the fire department properly extinguished the fire to any unwanted flare ups.

Old Business

Nothing to Report

Next Meeting

November 11, 2020 at 7pm with devotion by Pastor Mehl

Follow up discussion-Rita and Rummage sale staff really need volunteers to help clean the Rummage Sale building Monday October 12.

Adjournment

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

Laramey Johnson, Secretary