



# Southtowns Catholic School

## Home School Association

- Call to Order (Russ Clark) 6:05 pm Southtowns Catholic School Gym
- Opening Prayer (Casey Hatton)
- Review and approval of the Minutes (Russell Clark)
- Principal Update (Marc Bandelian)
  - Thanksgiving food drive was a success. Extra donations went to National Jr. Honor Society who then distributed to the parish for Operation Good Neighbor.
  - Comedy Night held Tuesday was also a success! Thank you to Russ Clark for setting this up, and those who helped make this possible.
  - Reminder: For student pickup in the afternoon; those with car seats please stay to the right, those without car seats please stay to the left for quicker and safer student pick up.
  - Covid Update: The school will **not** be accepting home testing kit results. PCR tests are required. Marc Bandelian has been making personal calls home to those students in close contact cases.
  - Reminder that the first Thursday of Every month is dress down day with \$1. Monday December 6th will be a dress down day for students as well, students may wear Bills gear for the Monday night football game.
  - Parent teacher conferences will be held Friday December 10th, check with your child's teachers in regards to specific instructions.
  - December 13, 14, 15 Santa's Secret shop will be held in the Community Room.
  - Advent Penance Service will be held December 14th at 12:30 after lunch, for grades 3-8.
  - Wednesday December 22 is a half day which will lead into break until Monday January 3rd.
  - Report Cards will be going out next week.
  - The Christmas play is still to be determined.
- Treasurer Report (Megan Almond / Venessa Erickson)
  - Fall Bulb Sale \$665.00
  - CEFA \$121.30
  - Bottle Return \$362.35
  - Box Tops \$629.06
  - Candy Bars \$5,414.35
  - Script \$2,491.00
- Review of recent events (Russ Clark)

- Thanksgiving Food Drive 1 – 19 Nov (Natalie Zorn)
  - Sustain
    - Ended up feeding 7 families instead of six families, was able to buy extra supplies such as rolls, 2 pies per family, apple juice, disposable pans
  - Improve
    - Possibly deliver a week before, contact families beforehand and ask if they need turkey and other food items.
    - Boxes too big, too hard to carry (need alternative bags)
    - Follow up call to families to make sure they get their meals
  
- Mother/Son Mass and Dinner 20 Nov (Sherry Miller)
  - Sustain
    - Was a great night
  - Improve
  
- Holiday Comedy Social 30 Nov (Russ Clark)
  - Sustain
    - Was also a great night, planning to have another March 17th with an Irish band, face paint, St. Patricks day themed.
  - Improve
    - More families involved
    - Childcare provided (maybe in gym)
    - Hold on a weekend night
    - Sell tickets beforehand (better head count)
  
- Reports of Special Committees
  - Santa's Secret Shop 13 – 15 Dec (Lauren, Elena)
    - Help needed still
    - would like to possibly begin earlier, like the Sunday before (after mass and before the 1pm Bills game)
  - Operation Christmas Cheer 6-17 Dec
    - Flyer went out already, pushing script gift cards (book available at STCS)
    - HSA will help organize gifts and give to families (Thursday 16, 4pm) Goal date
  - Meat Raffle January 15<sup>th</sup> (Russ and Brien)
    - Being pushed back to March or April because of lack of preparation time/Covid restrictions
  - Easter Candy Sale January 25<sup>th</sup>
    - Motioned to go with Fowler's Chocolates instead this year

- New Business
  - Valentines for Vets Feb 11
  - Still need details/set up information, emails being sent out in regards to this
  
  - Father / Daughter Dance Feb 5
  - Formal dance, theme to decorate gym, all grade levels
  - Possible carnation or candy gram sale?
  
- Open Floor
  
- Adjournment (Russ Clark) 7:00pm