

**CHAMINADE-MADONNA
HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION**

Minutes from November 5, 2008 Meeting

Susan opened the meeting at 7:09pm and invited Father Larry to lead us in a prayer.

TREASURER REPORT

Dee shared our balance of \$6,397.32

NEW BUSINESS

Susan introduced Mr. William Zei, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for C-M. Mr. Zei explained the responsibilities of the Board of Trustees. He said it does not get involved with administration, but might oversee it. He said how proud the Board is about having brought Father Larry Doershing to Chaminade-Madonna. He also explained a strategic plan the Board is working on for C-M, to see where the school is and where it needs to go. They want to give C-M a true identity; all this will be finalized within the next few months.

Next Susan introduced Mrs. Linda Fisher-Meerow, Director of College Placement. Mrs. Fisher-Meerow talked about how important GPA is, especially in 9th and 10th grade, to be able to get into a good College. In 11th grade it is important to take an SAT prep class and take at least two SAT tests during the year. When in twelfth grade is important to start applying for Colleges as early as September.

Susan talked about upcoming HSA events, Father/Daughter and Mother/Son Dinner dances, Monthly Faculty/Staff breakfast and the decorating of the campus for Christmas. Dee King spoke about the upcoming Beach Walk-a-thon on November 12.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Ms. Ramos started by talking about the events that happened in October. She said the Open House had record attendees, as did the Home Coming events. It was, as she said "Energizing and uplifting." Eighth grade visits start November 6, and go on for the next two weeks.

Ms. Ramos talked about the only school-wide fund raising event, the Beach walk-a-thon, coming up November 12th. The Thanksgiving Liturgy will be on November 25, at 10:30am at Nativity Church.

Ms. Ramos also discussed two specific project she is working on; The Crucifix Project, where people can donate Crucifixes acquired from around the World, to be placed in the Classrooms. Also, Campus Security, is another project been worked on. The campus is being evaluated to ensure safety. This is a top priority.

As always Ms. Ramos thanked the parents for attending the meeting and their involvement in the School and their children's lives.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita King, Recording Secretary