

St Helen Catholic School
HSA Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2024



Attendees: Please see sign-in sheet

Opening Prayer by Dr. Coleman

Old Business, Monica Charpentier

- May meeting minutes approved unanimously by board after motions by Esmeralda Ramon and Becky Berckenhoff, no opposition or corrections noted.
- St. Helen Catholic School is not only the most diverse school in the diocese, but was also recently recognized and awarded as a **Blue Ribbon School** by the US Department of Education!!!
- Past Events/Support for 2024
 - Movie Night was a success- all spots were sold!! Thank you to event chairs, volunteers, and 8th graders who did a great job taking and delivering orders.
 - SHCH Golf tournament for athletics department, thank you to all volunteers and participants.
 - Central Texas BBQ spirit night thank you to all the families who participated
 - Bay Area Catholic High School Announcement
 - **Thank you to all the faculty and staff for making the Blue Ribbon Award Celebrations, and award watch party so very special. We are so proud and honored to be a part of such a wonderful achievement. Thank you to Father Phillip for a wonderful mass to honor our Veterans and SHCS Blue Ribbon Award at Mass**
 - **Thank to Mrs. Alcayaga for directing our students to produce a beautiful tribute to our Veterans. The rosaries from our 8th grade students was a lovely sentiment for our Veteran guests.**
 - Fall dress casual week was a success
 - Red ribbon week was fun and eventful for our students. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered for the treat distribution and for purchasing treat passes for the week or daily activities.

New Business

- **Treasurer Report, Julie Kinney**
 - Fiscal year begins in July, budgeted expenses for 2024-2025 school year \$45k
 - Income (Sept-Oct): \$16.3k- Movie Night (tickets, concessions, and zip line), Casual Dress Buyout, Spirit Nights
 - Expenses (Sept-Oct): \$5.2k- Software Renewals, Movie Night Expenses, Classroom Supplies for teachers (they each receive a \$300 budget from HSA)
 - Current YTD: Income: \$20.8k; Expenses: \$12.3k
- **Future Support 2024-2025, Esmeralda Ramon**
 - What is HSA and how does it create volunteer opportunities?
 - Sponsorships and Fundraising Event Ideas are welcomed
 - Monsignor Braden Gala, April 26, 2025
 - New fundraising ideas
 - **BBQ and Family Bingo: Friday January 24, 2025 530-8pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall**
 - December and January spirit night fundraisers TBA
 - February 26, 2025 Spaghetti Dinner
- **Committee Updates, Esmeralda Ramon**
- **Room Parent Updates/Needs, Lauren Jordan**
 - Donuts for assigned grades (after 9am mass)
 - Volunteer opportunities: Class Parties, Teacher Birthdays, Car-line help, Lunch Duty help

- Teacher Birthdays help decorate door and create something special for them
- Gala live and Silent Auction items are being collected; please see your room parent for details on how to contribute to your class items.

Additional Announcements:

- Christmas program December 20, 2024 following 8 am mass; it is a beautiful event!!
- We would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, a very Merry Christmas, and a prosperous New Year. Thank you for all of the support for our students, faculty and staff.