



BISHOP MORA SALESIAN HIGH SCHOOL

COLLEGE PREPARATORY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Salesian Alumni Association Meeting Minutes April 2nd, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:12pm

1. **Opening Prayer** – Let by Fr. Jim, It's Pope John Paul's anniversary of death.
2. **Health & Welfare**
3. **Introductions** were made. 16 were present.
4. **Meeting Minutes** for last month were read individually and approved a minor correction.
5. **Director's Report:**
 - a. Fr. Spoke about how the recent Kairos retreat was very spiritual and positive for our students that attended. He spoke about the selection process and how students are selected to attend the retreat. During the Kairos retreat the parents attended daily mass. Two alumni from '05 and '07 helped lead the retreat.
 - b. April 18th is the Christian Service Award mass at the cathedral. Esaul Leyva is receiving the award. One senior from every school is chosen.
 - c. SYLC – 10 students and 2 adults will attend this week long gathering of Salesian youth in the province. Cost is \$250 per student.
 - d. Fr. Jim has asked a former student who works at Mercedes-Benz to donate a car for us to raffle it off at the Dodger game May 23rd. Proceeds will go to the campus ministry to renovate the chapel, our retreat programs, Casa Bosco and to send our students to World Youth Day in Australia.
 - e. He has also reserved 4 front row tickets for the Vicente Fernandez concert and will raffle these off for his community.
6. **Principal's Report:**
 - a. For the first time in as many year as we can remember, the school's budget for next year has been turn in on time to the Archdiocese.
 - b. Marquee is still awaiting permit approval from the state.
 - c. Freshmen Orientation will take place tomorrow evening.
 - d. Registration looks good and students are coming from areas we have never gotten students from.
 - e. We awarded 3 incoming freshmen with the Principal scholarships, 4 years tuition free. This came about last year when we lost many top students. We needed to find a way to hold on to these student who were considering Salesian.
7. **Financial Report:** We have \$33824.71 in the account. The report is always available to view.
 - a. We still owe the school \$12,000 in scholarship money and \$17,500 for the marquee.
8. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. Day at the Races – March 16, 2008
 - i. Profit was roughly \$5732.24 with some outstanding ticket money.
 - b. Golf Tournament – David Gonzalez
 - i. Tournament brochures have been done free of charge by alumnus.

- ii. Chino Hills has agreed to donate car for Hole in one and negotiating with Harley Davidson for a bike.
- iii. Shirt prices have dropped to \$21 and will be 260.
- iv. Raul Armendariz '78 might be a sponsor
- v. Look for great prizes, currently have one for a week at Cabo San Lucas donated by Todd Eldredge.
- vi. Looking at Rick Romero from ABC to MC the event.
- vii. The room rate has increase from \$110 to \$159 at the Pacific Palm resort.
- viii. David asked to for school to put brochure on the website.
- c. Rock and Roll Show – August 16, 2008
 - i. Will be at Quiet Canon and they can hold about 800 with stage.
 - ii. Looking at 3 or 4 bands. Food is included in price. It will be served at a certain time so those late will not get food.
- d. Poker Tournament – Date set for October 18, 2008 – Texas Hold'em Tournament
 - i. Victor handed a sheet with proposed figures. He clarified that there would be other table to allow the poker players to bring people with them that are not poker players.
 - ii.

9. **New Business**

- a. May 31st is set the “Meet the Coaches” event. It will be free for all to attend. So far there are 62 coaches from the past that have been contacted and will attend. The event will be in the multi-purpose room from 9am to 1pm.
- b. Victor handed out a summary of what was discussed in the March 17th meeting. This meeting was held to exam what we are trying to accomplish with the alumni association. Arnie questioned why these by-laws need to be revisited and who voted on holding this meeting. Victor took it upon himself as president to evaluate what the goals are and if we are achieving them.
- c. Alumni discussed the need to attract younger alumni to the association. New events need to be planned to attract them. Possibly free events for them. All agreed that enrollment needs to increase.
- d. Nominations are to be held at the next meeting. Victor asked for a volunteer to run the nominating committee and to think for possible nominations. Hector hesitated but informally agreed to chair. This year's term for D. Gonzalez, G. Vidaurri, D. Granados, D. Rodriguez and H. Alatorre are ending.

10. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm Next meeting will be May 7th, 2008.