St. Thomas Aquinas Fundraising Club Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 9, 2026

2 STA Staff In-Person: Anna Gomez, Nicole Stang

5 In-Person Attendees: Victoria Kuras, Adam Brown, Melissa Gibson, Carol Caines, Sarah Palmer, Christian San Diego, Bessie Nabena

Virtual Attendees via Zoom

Call to order @ 6:42 pm by Victoria Kuras

Review of Previous Minutes: Approved by Carol C. & seconded by Sarah P.

Financial Update by Victoria K.:

- 2025/2026 School Year
  - Opening Balance - Sept 1, 2025 - $28,390.86
  - Income to date: $31,459.01
  - Disbursements to date: $28,658.02
  - CURRENT BALANCE (as of Feb 9, 2026): $31,191.85

Healthy Hunger Update by Tina M.:

- January HH brought in $1,182.30
- Total brought in by HH to date: $3,579.75
- Wok box & Booster Juice coming up on Feb 20th. Order cut-off on Feb 15th.
- Hot Lunches are a bit chaotic, developing specific roles for volunteers might help alleviate the chaos.
- Requesting an assistant to help Tina with Hot Lunch duties.

What's App Voting:

- Fund Early Stages Volleyball sessions for Kindergarten – Grade 4. Total $1375+GST
  - Yes: 10 No: 0
- Add Zipline to WEM Waterpark Event. $1200 Add-on cost
  - Yes: 6 No: 1
- WEM Earlybird ticket pricing until March 19th; $40 March 20th – April 24th – Due to the tie for pricing, Fundraising Club Co-chairs chose $35 Earlybird pricing.
  - $37 Earlybird – Yes: 4
  - $35 Earlybird – Yes: 4
  - No Earlybird – 0

Motion from Sarah P. to approve Bylaw amendments:

- In Person: Yes: 6 No: 0
- Online: Yes: 4 No: 0

Fundraisers:

- WEM
  - April 25th – 6:30pm – 9:30pm
  - Tickets sales are live & have already started selling. $35/ticket until March 19th; $40 after March 19th.

- Zipline was approved as an add-on
- Posted on social media. Flyers & posters have been ordered. Will be on school broadcast this week
- Special insurance was added to our coverage for event
- All funds will go towards new Chromebooks & cart for school.

- Casino
  - Online question: Is casino against catholic faith?
    - ECSD approves for their societies,
    - High amount of funds for minimal volunteer hours (we don't get enough volunteers to host enough fundraisers to get same funds)
- Indigo Adopt a School Program
  - Application to be submitted by Feb 28th
  - Participating stores will raise funds in-store, with 100% of funds raised by each store location going directly to their partner school to purchase new books and literacy materials for school and classroom libraries.
  - Approved by Mrs. Gomez to go ahead with application.
  - Motion from Carol C. to approve application submission:
    - VOTE: In Person – Yes: 7 No: 0 Online – Yes: 2 No: 0
- Purdy's Chocolate
  - Easter delivery. Possibility for purchaser or school delivery.
  - Order Deadline March 6th. Pickup March 24th
- Krispy Kreme
  - Motion from Sarah P. to sell Krispy Kreme Donuts for a Father's Day Fundraiser
    - VOTE: In Person – Yes: 7 No: 0 Online – Yes: 1 No: 1
- **New Fundraiser's Suggested:**
  - Christian SD. Has offered his services to do bicycle tune-ups in April. Pay by donation option with funds going towards fundraising club.
  - Free-throw basketball competition – kids pay to play, winner gets 50%, school gets 50%

Principal's Request:

- Math sets for grades 1 – 3 were approved at the January meeting. Anna is confirming it is ok if they purchase different types of set based on the grade & learning applications. This is approved with the same budget as the original request.

Next Meetings Scheduled for:

- Monday, March 9th @ 6pm
- Monday, April 13th @ 6pm
- Monday, May 25th @ 6pm

Meeting was adjourned at: 7:23pm

Minutes Approved by:

Date: March 14, 2026 March 13th 2026 March 13, 2026 March 14/26

Victoria Kuras, Chair Sarah Palmer, Vice-Chair Janice David, Treasurer Melissa Gibson, Secretary