

Minutes for PTC Meeting November 21, 2013

Approved at January 2014 PTC Meeting

Call to order by President Laura Roberts at 7:00 pm

Devotions led by President Laura Roberts

Minutes of September 19, 2013 PTC meeting were not reviewed and approved, but will be at January's meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurers Susan Klare and Tami Ludwig presented the Treasurer's Report. The current balance of the PTC account is **\$52,072.00**.

- Susan Klare and Tami Ludwig are tracking spending and receipts turned in for the additional \$500 per teacher that was approved at the end of the 2012-2013 school year. The teachers have until 12/31/13 to spend the \$500.
- Still waiting on all receipts / payments to be finalized before announcing total expenses and profit from the 2013 Walk-A-Thon.

(Motion: Sue Beck; Seconded: Marilyn Walter, Motion carried).

Principal's Report

Mrs. Meymann presented options for new school uniform. A committee had narrowed the uniform selection down to two options. The students, teachers and parents would be voting on which uniform would be selected. Also Mrs. Meymann discussed a potential "buy- back program" for uniform skirts and jumpers. This program would allow parents to receive money for old uniforms which then would eventually be donated to a Catholic grade school in need of uniforms.

Mrs. Meymann discussed the possibility of implementing a dress code for gym. The dress code would be moderately priced athletic shorts and t-shirts to ensure students were dressed appropriately for gym class.

Mrs. Meymann addressed safety issues with parking and plans to have additional visitor parking near the office for those needing to visit the school, office or cafeteria throughout the school day.

Discussion on Curriculum "Q and A" planning for the upcoming Kindergarten classes. Any suggestions are welcome to help draw in new families to St. John Parish and School. Also if any parents have questions, please contact Mrs. Meymann.

Committee Reports

Walk-A-Thon – Susan Klare / Tami Ludwig

- Big Success
- Approximate earnings \$15,000
- Thank you John Drees for making a video of the 2nd Annual SJB Walk-A-Thon

- Looking for a new Chairperson(s) for next year's Walk-A-Thon (there would be help given to help with the transition of a new Chairperson(s))
- Goals for next year
 - o Solicit more sponsors
 - o Online donations
 - o Share event on Facebook

.Oktoberfest – Susan Klare

- Great day of fun for kids
- Worked out well to have event scheduled after Mass and on “early dismissal” day

Toy & Clothing Sale – Mindy Caldwell

- Approximate profit \$780.00
- Spring Sale set for March 29, 2014
- Discussed pros of having more advertisements and signs to help promote sale
- Check advertising in Harrison Happenings, Craig's List
- Possibility of having a “Marketing Officer” (John Drees and other volunteers) to promote SJB PTC events.

Current Business

Creative Play – Michelle Ehrhard

- Discussed idea of parents donating items that would be stored in bins and handed out during recess enabling the kids to use their imaginations for creative play.
- Discussed possibility of having a trial period with one grade (Kindergarten?)
- Suggested watching YouTube video on Creative Play

Reach Out Pregnancy Program

- Proposed giving a \$500.00 donation
- Re-visit idea of giving additional funds to Reach Out Program later in school year if there is additional funds available to donate

(Motion: Marla Ziegler, Seconded: Kim Vogelgesang, Motion carried).

Duke Energy Credit – Kim Vogelgesang

- Discussed program offered by Duke Energy Retail which allows customers to pick their energy supplier and receive a discounted rate for future energy bills (Ohio residents)
- Minimum 10% Discount
- SJB PTC will receive \$20.00 for every enrollment
- Put an example of how to complete enrollment on the SJB website.

Santa's Workshop at School – Mary Ann Meyer

- Scheduled for 12/6, 12/9 and 12/10
- Need volunteers for wrapping
- Mrs. Meymann needs to talk with teachers to schedule time for their classes.

Santa's Breakfast – Tami Ludwig / Laura Roberts

- Amy Riehle will be chairing again for 2013 and needs volunteers
- Anna Herrmann's Girl Scout troop will help volunteer for the event.
- Michelle Ehrhard and Sara Hunter are volunteering as Co-Chairpersons for the 2014 Santa's Breakfast

Online Grades – Marilyn Walter

- Discussed possibility of PTC helping fund a web based tool allowing teachers and school staff to update grades automatically
- Other possibilities include linking with cafeteria for lunches and marking students absent in classrooms eventually.
- Cost is \$6,000 per year for Software
- Could PTC fund any/all of software?
- Possibly put in budget for 2014 – 2015 school year or Walk-A-Thons?
- Discussion tabled and can re-visit in spring.

Catholic Schools Week

- Jan. 29th Cat Ambassador Program from Cincinnati Zoo
- Teacher's Luncheon – need volunteers to cover recess
- Pizza and Ice Cream Lunch for Students

Grandparents Day

- Scheduled for February 26th and 27th
- Please bring suggestions and comments to Becky Lipp and Kelly Besl for this year's Grandparents Day

Trivia Night

- Scheduled for March 15th
- Tables of six people
- Cost is \$40.00/couple

By-Law Revision

- Laura Roberts, Tami Ludwig and Lori Cornelius met in August to review potential changes to By-Laws.
- Copies were made available for attendees.
- By-Laws need to be reviewed, additional changes made and re-submitted for approval.

PTC Board Positions Available Next Year – Please Consider

Motion to adjourn PTC meeting: Marilyn Walter; Seconded: Kathy Dean, Motion carried.

Attendance for November 21, 2013 PTC meeting was 20 people.

Submitted by Lori Cornelius, PTC Secretary