

Minutes for PTC Meeting September 18, 2014

Approved

Call to order by President Laura Roberts at 7:05 pm

Devotions led by prior Vice President Kelly Besl

Minutes of September 18, 2014 PTC meeting reviewed and approved (Motion: Kathy Dean; Seconded: Marilyn Walter, Motion carried).

Treasurer's Report

Susan Klare reported the PTC budget as of 8/31/2014 as \$42,115.17. There are outstanding items in the amount of \$2,999.00 and the 2014/2015 Budget totals \$33,610.00 leaving an excess balance. Possible expense to use the excess funds on is new playground equipment with an estimated cost of \$600.00. (Motion: Marilyn Walter; Seconded: Kathy Dean, Motion carried).

Principal's Report

Ascend – Teachers/School is making good use of the Ascend system. Many parents seem to be happy with new online tool.

A/C Units for Lunch Room – Currently have (4) units and (2) units need to be replaced. PTC received (1) estimate of \$2,612.00 and Mrs. Meymann is requesting PTC pay for the replacement units. PTC Board requested we receive more quotes for air conditioning unit before approving funds to be paid from the PTC budget.

Everybody Counts Program – Discussion on bringing this program to St. John's because the topic fits our Christian setting. The topics would teach all grades about different disabilities, how to respect others, have kindness and tolerance for all students with special needs and also to discuss the harm done by students that bully other children. There is a discussion on how the teachers can fit this program into their routine and whether it should be one day of instruction or spread throughout one week. St. John's would need parent volunteers with the lower grades needing more volunteers than upper grades. John Drees suggested a subcommittee be created to help form a plan to proceed. Miss Walter suggests we should make this program happen possibly the week of Feb. 14, 2015.

Licensed Teacher for Gifted Students – Mrs. Meymann discussed the possibility of St. John's securing a teacher to work with the gifted students. Several programs were mentioned: Odyssey of the Minds and/or Destination Imagination, which could be taught one day a week or even after school at St. John's. Joan McCormick has offered to help get things started as well.

Misc. Programs – Mrs. Meymann discussed St. John's offering Young Rembrandt's, the option of participating in band for students in grades 4 – 8 and guitar lessons for students in grades 6 – 8 as other options for the students at St. John's.

Current Business

Rusty Ball – Lisanne Thompson discussed the benefit and how the organization gives money back to St. John's. It's an easy way to make extra money for the school. Lisanne reaches out to

parents/parishioners to help organize the selling of raffle tickets, donation of auction items and door prizes and promoting participation in the Rusty Ball to earn extra money for St. John's.

PTC Board Member Voting 2014-2015 School Year PTC is as follows:

1. Co-Presidents – Laura Roberts & Missy Rehn – Nominated; Unanimously Elected.
2. Vice President – John Drees – Nominated; Unanimously Elected.
3. Co-Treasurers – Susan Klare & Tami Ludwig – Nominated; Unanimously Elected.
4. Secretary – Christine Barrow – Nominated; Unanimously Elected.

PTC By-Laws – Voting all in favor; unanimously approved (Motion: Jennifer Reis; Seconded: Angie Harvey, Motion carried).

Walk-A-Thon – Kelly Besl mentioned that the Cincinnati Bearcat mascot will be at St. John's cheering the students along the walk. Also Kelly mentioned the pledged money and how the PTC was receiving a good deal on the t-shirts for the walk-a-thon. It was also discussed the possibility of having donations made by "We Share" online program for next year's walk-a-thon.

Toy and Clothing Sale - John Drees discussed ways to get advertisement out for the toy and clothing sale (Craig's list, recruiting on school website, and signage around Harrison).

Website – The St. John's website will be complete with some fine tuning. Goal is to go live last week in September. The site has drop down menus for current families and information for incoming potential families. It is simple, intuitive and will be a great asset to help get valuable information. John does not have a final bill yet, but he did a lot of the work to help keep costs down. Thanks John!

Catholic Schools Week – Planning on having Jim "Basketball" Jones speak on Monday, January 26, 2015 at two different assemblies. Need to coordinate the times with Mrs. Ziegler.

Trivia Night – Need confirmation from Knights of Columbus Hall, but the tentative date is March 14, 2015.

Aubrey Rose – Donation requested for \$100.00 from the PTC (Motion: Kathy Dean; Seconded: Cindy Abram, Motion carried).

Parking Lot – Mike Murray discussed the need for fund raising to help secure funds for new parking lot. St. John's will need \$50-75k for new parking lot. Mike is meeting with Father Jeff and Paul Roell to verify all monies from Scripps Program could be used for the parking lot. We could promote this and possibly gain more participation of parents/parishioners if they knew the money was being used for the parking lot.

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

Attendance for May 15, 2014 PTC meeting was 21 people.

Submitted by Lori Cornelius, Prior PTC Secretary