

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PTC MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 20, 2007

Call to order by President Kelli Schoster – 7:05 PM

Devotions led by Kelli Schoster

Minutes of May and June meetings – Approved as written (Motion: Mrs. Bingle; Seconded: Ms. Walter; Motion carried.)

**Treasurer's Report:** Teri Giglio presented Sr. Rose a donation from PTC to the Holy Childhood Association. Teri Giglio then reviewed the PTC budget proposed for 2007-2008 in the amount of \$27,535. The ending balance on 9/19/07 was \$24,048.58. \$987.00 of this balance was raised by the Family Fun day in June and is reserved for the security system. The balance is currently high due to income received from the magazine drive with the corresponding expenses still to be paid. The budget for the art teacher has increased since it is now offered to grades 6 through 8. Classroom improvements continue with the current focus on chairs under the direction of Mrs. Metzger. Teri noted that PTC would no longer award door prizes at the meetings. A split the pot raffle will be held instead which will provide additional income to PTC.

Two amendments were requested to the budget. Ms. Walter indicated the "All Write" publication is twice per year and the budget should increase from \$450 to \$900. PTC no longer has a budget item for a tutor as Fr. Shine agreed to move this expense to salaries. Mr. Owens explained that we have a tutoring grant that requires a \$1000 contribution from PTC. Teri Giglio will amend the budget and then bring it for review again at the October meeting.

### Principal's report

- Mr. Owens introduced Jim Minelli, a senior at St. Xavier High School and a graduate of St. John school. Jim presented his idea for his Eagle Scout project to help the poor in El Salvador. Jim plans to raise money to purchase Spanish books to start a library for a community in El Salvador. Jim asked permission to host a "Penny War" at school in October or November to help raise the necessary funds. Jim requested help from PTC parents to work at the "Penny War" and he provided a signup sheet.
- Mr. Owens reported that the Education Commission is working to recruit families from the new Ft. Scott community where several hundred new homes will be built. This community is within the parish boundary for St. John Dry Ridge but Southwest Local has been contacted and they have agreed to provide transportation to St. John Harrison.
- Extra-curricular activities are doing well. The Friday Spanish program is up and running with 62 students enrolled. Cub Scout signups took place recently and our school will be getting a new band director.
- Early dismissal on 9/26 due to faculty in-service on "electronic grade book".
- Mr. Owens requested input on the timing of fundraisers across all organizations. Mindy Caldwell indicated that Lianne Thomson and Cassie Montgomery are already working on it.
- Some of the faculty will receive "smart board" training in October.
- Mr. Owens had questions about paper recycling which Ms. Walters said she would handle outside of the meeting.

### Committees

- Guiding Hands: The dessert social was a success.
- Toy and Clothing Sale / Stacie Combs: October 6, 2007 9:00 – 12:00. Volunteers needed for 8:30 – 11:00.
- Picture Parent / Stacie Combs: Kindergarten through grade 4 is covered but volunteers still needed for grade 5.
- Yearbook / Susi Charls: Susi received the yearbooks yesterday and distributed to those on hand. The yearbook job is big and Susi needs more help for next year. She hopes each of the collage representatives will continue and she would like to form a committee to help with other tasks. Mindy Caldwell suggested that parents could take their cameras to the computer lab after an event and Mr. Feist can download pictures if he is available. Contact Susi if you can help with the yearbook committee.
- Surveys: No report.
- Magazine Drive / Kelli Schoster for Rose Kelhoffer: Deposits so far are \$17,009. The last turn-in is 9/21/07.
- Oktoberfest / Anna Herrmann: Friday October 26. Volunteers are needed.
- Fashion Show / Ronda Schmid & Kelli Schoster: November 17, 2007. 50% of students sent donations and more will be accepted. Fashions will be provided by Fashion Bug.
- Book Fair / Mary Frey: Planned for last week in October with November 1<sup>st</sup> being a family night during conferences.
- Market Day / Kelli Schoster for Kathy Ruschke: Kathy needs someone to chair this activity for the next few months. Duties include online ordering, sending papers home and being present at every pickup date. Tammy Schroerer volunteered to do this.

### **Old Business**

- Library: Deb Dole reported that the library project is a big success. She offered thanks to all who donated money and time. She wants a complete list of all who contributed in any way so they can be recognized. Deb noted the operation of our library depends on Mrs. Coors and Ms. Walters as volunteers. She would like to form a support committee to reduce this burden. Colleen Fields reports that there was about \$1000 surplus in funds. Tina Tisdale reports that the library will be named in memory of Chris Heyob.
- By-Laws: Kelli Schoster reported that the Board had discussed making the President's term a three-year term; first as Vice-President, second as President and third as Past-President. Kelli indicated that by the time the President has learned the ropes, it is time to leave the Board. The Past-President will serve in an advisory capacity. Discussion followed. The amended by-laws were approved written (Motion: Tina Tisdale; Seconded: Mrs. Dean; Motion carried.)
- The membership was reminded that the PTC is still in need of a Vice-President. A request was made for the PTC board to provide a list of responsibilities for each of the board positions.

### **New Business**

- Alex Frey won the T-shirt contest and will be given a \$25 gift certificate to LaRosas.
- Kelli Schoster explained that our school is invited to participate in the Harrison Christmas parade / trolley tour if someone is willing to coordinate this.
- Kathy Siemer reported that the St. John Relay for Life team raised \$1700 with 6 people. She wants to build a huge team for next year. Contact Kathy if interested.
- Sr. Rose reported that she already has a lot of nice prizes for the November/December Holy Childhood raffle.
- Mary Frey offered thanks to all who provided support over the past year. She has arranged for Jewish Hospital to bring the mobil mammography unit to St. John on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Details will follow.
- Split the Pot Winner – Mary Schultz (\$20)

The next PTC meeting will be October 18, 2007.

Adjournment: 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Kluesener, Secretary