

Holy Family P.T.O. MEETING 4/20/10



Members Present: Jennifer Galloway, Carol Kelly, Cheri Stansbury, Katie Griffith, Beth Delaney, Rhonda Suman, Miranda Keelin, Tracy Wheelers, Mary chandler, Kristin Krick, Sam Smith, Miranda Kelly, M.J. Taylor, Martha Gillespie, Betty Anne Rucinski, Pam Porter and Patty Salisbury

Old Business

1. Update regarding Parking Lot Traffic
 - a. Seems to be working safer traffic is moving smoothly. Please remember to drive in from 10th street side. This seems to be the safest way for the kids to stand in the Narthex with the teacher from the oldest kid's class.
 - b. A few people voiced their opinion that they did not like it because they felt it wasn't personable anymore and they could not speak with the teachers.

2. PTO "Get Moving Night"
 - a. Went well had over 30 families attend. Everyone seemed to have a good time and you can view some of the pictures on the website.

3. School Board Meeting report
 - a. Principle's Report:
 - I. looking at possibly obtaining grant money for elevator
 - ii. 2010-2011 school calendar is posted on web site and a copy is going home this week in the Tuesday folder.
 - iii. may possibly scale down landscape to reduce maintenance
 - b. Marketing Report
 - i. Open House continues, good response from community, notice place in the newspaper. Next open house is scheduled for May 5th. Anyone who would like to help please let us know.
 - ii. Continue with the outside advertising: 3 billboards for 3 months
 - iii. Continue to run ads at the Phoenix Theater. We need to send in updated slides.
 - iv. Continue to investigate two marquees to be placed at the school. Keep the one on the Winchester side but get another one for the parking lot sign that would be electric. The one out front would continue to promote the school and the one in the back would list events and happens at the school.
 - c. Maintenance
 - i. Looking into replacing boiler/heater for school
 - ii. The computer room and title I room to be painted this summer. Anyone interested in helping please let us know.
 - d. Fund Raising Committee
 - i. Flower sale brought in approx \$800

- ii. Still waiting on numbers from the Fish Fry. We had 5 fish fries and it was thought that we had broken even after the second one.
- iii. April 28th is the first Festival Meeting for this year. Everyone is invited. We need everyone's help. (Festival is scheduled for the weekend after Labor Day)
- iv. There is an Alumni newsletter being developed to encourage alumni to help support the school.
- v. The fund raising committee is working on a Raffle that will begin in May. The raffle will be for each family to sell 4 of at \$25.00 each. The prizes for the raffle will be drawn on a monthly basis with the grand prizes being drawn at the end of the Festival in September.
- vi. Scott Martin to speak at PE program to encourage people to volunteer

New Business

1. PTO Fun Activities

a. Teacher Appreciation Week: May 3rd thru 7th

- Monday – Breakfast for Teachers from Tim Hortons
- Tuesday – Cards for teachers from students. Each home room mom is to supply a poster board for the cards to go on. They will be displayed in the hallways. Each class will have two posters to do. One for their teacher and one for an extra participant (example: Music, art, PE etc...)
- Wednesday – Lunch for Teachers. Kristine Krick is getting this catered and Leslie Dethridge is decorating the teachers lounge. We will need volunteers for each class room from 11am until 12:30pm.
- Thursday – Salsa and Chips for Teachers
- Friday – There is a Teachers Wish List for each classroom in the hallway by the school office. Please look at the lists for your child's teacher and purchase as item in need.

2. Info about Terra Nova Testing

- a. What is it??? Terra Nova is a nationwide test taken by 2nd grade through 8th grade. The children are tested on a nationwide basis not just a state wide basis. This test is paid for by the school.

3. Track season has begun

- a. Is available for first thru 6th grade compete at an elementary level, those who qualify will compete at the City Championship Meet May 26th, 2010
- b. 6th thru 8th compete at a middle school level, with qualifying runners to compete in a middle school state meet May 22, 2010.

4. PE Program is scheduled for May 4th at 6:30pm. More information will be coming home next week in the Tuesday folder.

5. Field day is scheduled for May 25th. Look in Tuesday folders for times grades will compete. Volunteers are needed to help with each class! Remember that the afternoon preschool will come in the morning on that day.

6. 2009 – 2010 Yearbooks will be going on sale before the end of the school year. Look in your Tuesday folders for ordering information. Please order early.

7. Holy Family Rummage sale will be held July 23,24, & 25. A volunteer sheet went home several weeks ago. Many hours are needed to gather, clean and price items so there are many opportunities to volunteer. All the proceeds made from this sale go straight to the school.
8. Fund raising ventures from PTO only: over \$6,000.00 this year (does not include scrip, box tops, rummage sale, fall festival, fish fry). It was noted that if every family could focus on using script and spending about \$150. a week we could make over \$30,000 for the school. That could mean your gas and groceries things that you are already going to buy.
9. Home/School Partnership Compact. In order to fulfill our mission of preparing students to be competent, active and responsible Christian citizens within their own families, within their parish, and within their local, state, national and global communities, Holy Family exist as a partnership between students' homes and the school. This partnership is built upon the responsibilities assumed by parents, students, and the school. Attached is a list of the responsibilities for all so that everyone knows what their role is.
10. Box Top Competition is now going on through May 14th. There will be a winner from each class. The class who brings in the most will receive popcorn and a movie. The overall individual winner will win a gift certificate. Box tops brought in almost \$1,000. last year.
11. The Summer program will begin the day after school is out and will run through August 6th.
12. Mrs. Chandler would like to praise Mrs. Stansbury for the Great job she has done with the shadow boxes.
13. Tracy Wheeler and Theresa Gussler have taken over the script program.
14. Jennifer Galloway will continue as co-president and Patty will continue as secretary. We need another co-president and a vice president.
15. Mrs. Chandler wanted to remind the PTO to use the bulletin more for advertising our events.

LAST MEETING FOR THE YEAR. THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO ATTENDED

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