

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

St. Luke Catholic School - PTO Meeting

Present: Mandy Heslin, Bis Feldmann, Ashley Dirks, Kelly Wessel, Alyssa Wagner, Kim Moriarty, Liz Held, EJ Whitacre, Kristin Beam, Joyce Simpkins, Tracy Miller, Beth Brown, Lori LeRoy, Jenn Rotz, Angela Agricola, Kathleen Art, Karin Held, Amy Szentes, Yovonne Grego, Jenn Baker, Heather Malarney, Kristin Crisp, Celeste Hinko, Molly Beckman, Rachel Gallagher, Kelly Rees, Kate Bruner, Tara Strohl

Not Present: Anne Horton, Heather Allen, Kathleen Smith, Mary Petruzzi, Sharon Dillon, Amy Waninger, Elizabeth Hicks

Meeting began at 7pm in the School Cafeteria

October minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Still Receiving members - 2 new since last report

\$81,300 received in trash bag sales.

Presidents Remarks:

Topic 1: Library Plans

Preliminary sketches have been completed.

Monsignor taking in donated office furniture - until that can be sorted, the library plans are on hold. Office furniture includes a conference table that will be placed in library

Topic 2: November 16th STREAM day is planned - thank you volunteers!

K-2 will attend Beavers & Invasives, Oh my! @ Marian University

Grades 3, 4, 5 will participate in Wonder Lab in Gym

Grades 6, 7, 8 will go through the Cub Scouts Mobile Lab.

Topic 3: Catholic Schools Week

Staff would like to kick off Catholic Schools Week with a teacher ran pancake breakfast for the entire school sponsored/paid for by PTO. Knights of Columbus estimate it will take 3.7 hours to prepare.

Discussion on the pancake breakfast followed. Mandy to follow up and ask them how much is needed from PTO.

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Faculty Report provided by Kate Bruner:

Mr. Weber has sent a proposed 2017-18 calendar in quick notes including the following: August 16, 2017- 1st day of school, 2 days off at fall break, spring break in line with catholic high schools and June 1st as last day of school. School Commission will vote on proposed calendar at December meeting.

December School commission meeting will also review and approve budgets for next year. The \$275 book and supply fee is not set, but considering increase to \$300 and extending the discount day. Teacher pay will increase to be comparable across the North Deanery. Proposed increase of 4% overall.

Mrs. Schaefer is doing 2-3 tours per week for prospective new families for next year.

Committee Reports:

Arts & Enrichment:

After School Enrichment (ASE) being offered again in January. Currently the committee is planning for those classes.

A Laser Show is being worked on for Catholic Schools Week.

Fundraising: No new updates.

Spirit Wear/ Gym Clothes:

Received 20 orders of gym clothes during window opened up in November. The shorts were delivered that day and tees would be printed and delivered the following week. Already receiving questions if another ordering window will be opened after Christmas.

Spirit wear took in \$1100 in basketball orders and \$5200 in general merchandise during October-November. After the holidays, wrestling, volleyball will be offered. This spring, will offer soccer, track and kickball styles.

Committee considering a used clothing sale in January or March (before shorts season). Ashley Dirks offered to talk with friends at St. Pius for information about their past success with this type of an event. Further discussion was tabled until next meeting.

Communications & Membership: No new updates.

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Special Activities:

Fab Friday to occur on November 18th. Plans include snack bags, Thanksgiving jokes and riddles on tables at lunch. Some grades will also have a seek-n-find on lunch tables. Students may wear a shirt representing an education institution (St. Luke, local high school or university) to go along with theme, "We are thankful for our education". Teachers will receive a candy treat.

In December, St. Nick will visit the classrooms. Santa will read stories to younger grades on last day before break. Candy canes will be given to the older students.

December 12th is the luncheon for the teachers and parish staff. Each PTO committee and any one individual is encouraged to donate a basket by December 9th. Volunteers are needed for serving two lunch rounds.

January 9-13th will be a week of Giving to benefit St. Mary's child center. Please donate any gently used winter clothes. Students will be allowed to wear Colt's shirts and will be treated to ice cream sandwiches.

Committee to discuss chair massage idea for teachers in January.

President asked PTO how they felt about taking a month off of meetings in December or possibly having a social. PTO agreed to a month off.

Next Steps: Next meeting: Tuesday, January 24, 2017. 6:30 Social, 7:00 Meeting.

Meeting concluded and was adjourned at approximately 8:00pm.