

PTO Meeting Minutes

10/13/11

Jill Watson is stepping down after two years as chair of PTO. Also, Jen Lacrosse is moving and will not be able to be co-chair next year. Melinda Lee is also stepping down from Treasurer after 5 years; anyone who is interested in these positions should contact Jill Watson.

Attendants of today's meeting: Jill Watson, Melinda Lee, Jessica Chestnut, Karen Wright, George Hutchinson, Keri Kutch, Jennifer Nelson, Julie Nebels, Sarah Dostal, Corie Lucero, Mona Carrick, Estella McCoy, Jen Lacrosse, Jennifer Solomon, Deb McGovern, and Mary Kilway.

Larry (from the Parish office) went over Living Your Strength classes that we can start in November. If interested in the classes please contact Larry at the Parish office.

Melinda went over the budget and sock hop. It was a very successful sock hop, but down from last year.

PTO shared the expense of a Cardinal mascot costume. Mascot will be worn to home CYO games/tournaments and upcoming pep rallies planned by student council.

The overhead digital projectors that PTO purchased are in, waiting on some other technology to come in.

Jill asked for feedback on the Bullying assembly. Comments were that parents need some tools on how to use the information that was given. One parent suggested role playing for the parents. "Finding Kind" movie will be held at Hollywood Theater in Portland. Early showing is already sold out. An assembly titled "Rachel's Challenge," was discussed. (Rachel was the first child shot at Columbine.) The assembly is divided up into 2 days, first day K-5, and second day 6-8. Suggestion made we could hold assembly in Marion Hall and invite other schools to help with cost. The cost of assembly is \$3600.00 per day. Looking for next year, they are booked for this year.

Sock Hop- What did everyone think? Should we get rid of the band? On the Monkey Survey a few parents made comments regarding children unsupervised and running all over the place, any suggestions? Another comment was, new families felt excluded from this event. Judy recommended being more welcoming.

Jill started a volunteer of the month contest, hoping to get more people, new parents, at meetings. The winner receives a gift card to wherever. Judy recommended recognizing the Wise volunteers.

Wreath/Poinsettia sale-flyers go out this week. Jen Lacrosse put in a survey wanting more ideas.

October 18th, is the 1st Restaurant night at Who Song and Larry's. Families must take flyers with them. November will be @ Pizzicato.

Corie Lucero is offering jewelry fundraiser/fellowship nights. The first one is for K-2 @ Mary Kilway's. Corie sells Silpada; she is offering a percentage of sales to PTO. 50 % of catalog is under \$50.00. 3rd & 4th hosted by Corie in January. 5th & 6th hosted by Melinda in March. 7th & 8th hosted by Jill in May. Please come and look at the catalog and get to know others.

Laura Veasy & Mary Kilway talked about the upcoming Scholastic book fair. **Does anyone have an astronaut or Star Wars costume they could use for props????** Book fair will be Oct. 28-Nov 2. Anyone wishing to help please contact Laura. Also a sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway of the school. Last year the book fair made \$13,000; this year's goal is \$15,000.

Upcoming Assemblies-

"1 ½" play involves bullying, poverty, obesity. 10/27/11: notes will be sent home about the sensitive material being discussed at the assembly. Veterans Museum-November. Techno Rocks-Jan. 20.

Holiday Bazaar- Sat. Nov 19(10-7) Nov 20(9-3) need bakers to bake cookies for bake sale. Turn cookies in by Fri. Nov 18. Please label any cookies containing nuts, or if they are gluten-free.

Casino Night- Dec 2. In Marion Hall. Cost of event is \$30.00 ea. Includes \$20.00 of Funny Money. There will be door prizes. Amie Jo Caccamo will speak in more detail at November's meeting. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 10th at 8:45 AM in Marian Hall.

Adjourn.