

St. Patrick School Parent/Teacher Committee Minutes
Monday August 11, 2008

Board Members:

Dr. Sharon Weiss, Principal

Nancy Zerbonia, Chair

Holly Bour, Co-Chair

Marla Kunka, Secretary

Michelle Hector, Treasurer

Lisa Hallam and Tammy O'Marah, Room Parent Coordinators

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm at La Gondola restaurant. Dr. Weiss lead the opening prayer.

Old Business

Treasurer's Report- Michelle Hector was unable to attend the meeting so the following information was obtained via e-mail:

\$1,700 was paid to Dr. Weiss for the teachers' start up money

\$240.00 was paid to the Park District for the pool party

\$2,082.98 was deposited from Spirit Wear orders

\$271.00 was deposited from the uniform exchange

Pool Party - The Back to School Pool Party was a success. A record amount of school supplies was collected for the children of Haiti. Susan Harlan will be delivering the supplies when she travels to Haiti in October. Thank you to Toni Strong for procuring the refreshments for the evening.

Registration- Nancy Zerbonia thanked everyone who helped at registration day. A special thank you is extended to Toni Strong for collecting and sorting the clothing items for the uniform exchange. Toni reported that the uniform exchange brought in \$271 for the 8th grade class trip.

Spirit Wear- The estimated profit from the Spirit Wear orders taken on registration day is approximately \$500. There will be another Spirit Wear order taken in October with delivery in time for Christmas.

New Business

Fundraisers:

***Mr. Z's-** The kick off for the Mr. Z's fundraiser is Monday, September 8th. Norma Mefford from Mr. Z's has agreed to give us \$500 for an all school pizza party if \$15,000 in total sales is achieved. The delivery date for the items will be Friday, November 14th in the school gymnasium.

***Monical's Night-** Kim McMurray has scheduled a Monical's night for Monday, September 15th where St. Pat's will receive a portion of the profits from dine in purchases.

***Barnes and Noble-** Kim has also scheduled a Barnes and Noble day on Sunday, November 30th where St. Pat's will receive a portion of the sales for the day. St. Pat's will provide some type of entertainment as we did last year. Holly Bour volunteered to talk to Mr. Schepper about the St. Pat's band performing on this day.

***Wine Tasting-** Kim is looking for volunteers to help her plan a wine-tasting fundraiser. Right now she is in the process of obtaining price quotes for facility rentals, food and wine.

Study Skills Seminar:

Dr. Weiss reported that all the details have been finalized for our study skills seminar in September. Lori Biagini will be picking up our speaker in Springfield on Sept. 23rd and transporting him to Washington.

Meet the Teacher Night:

The PTC will once again be purchasing refreshments for Meet the Teacher Night on August 20th and August 27th.

Magnets:

Holly Bour presented a sample design for the car magnets she is ordering for the PTC to sell. Suggestions for changes in color and font were taken. Holly will start with an initial order of 125 magnets.

Open Floor

*Any information regarding PTC activities that is to be posted on the St. Pat's website should be sent to Dr. Weiss first for approval/review and she will then pass along the information to Mike Folkenroth.

*Mrs. Shipman stated that someone from the commission on education recommended a speaker to her. The speaker is Mr. Jim Reynolds from Caterpillar and he would be speaking about Smart Boards and other forms of teaching technology that are available. Mrs. Shipman asked if the PTC would be interested in having him speak at the September PTC meeting. It was suggested that he speak at 6:30pm before the regularly scheduled PTC meeting.

* Dr. Weiss thanked everyone for the pool party and reported that she had many favorable comments about this event. Dr. Weiss also suggested that we post our monthly PTC minutes on the St. Pat's website so all school parents can stay abreast about what is going on in our organization. Dr. Weiss reported that she and Mrs. Shipman had been shopping for the 2 new Smart Boards and are in the process of having Klaus Radio come out to the school to inspect for installation. The first 2 Smart Boards purchased would be used by the upper grades.

*Mrs. Shipman reported that many new computers have been purchased with the money raised at the auction. We now have 16 laptop computers and there are 4 computers in each classroom in grades K through 5th.

*Bakers' Committee: Mrs. Beth Geier is the new chairperson for the Bakers' Committee and their first luncheon is Friday, August 22nd.

*Dr. Weiss reported that there are many new families enrolling children at St. Pat's this year and she would like the PTC to host a welcome potluck to help them get familiar with the school. Cindy Toyne offered to talk to the Knights of Columbus about using their facility for this event.

*Any PTC information that is to be posted on the bulletin boards at the back of the church should be directed to Deb Tranel.

*Just a reminder that there will be no mass on the first day of school so the children are allowed to wear shorts that day.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm. The next meeting will be on Monday, September 8th in the school's social room.