

## **PTO Meeting Minutes Friday, October 09, 2009**

The PTO meeting was held on Friday, October 09, 2009 in the church office. The meeting was called to order at 12:20 p.m. by Duffy Meyer - President-Elect.

The following board members were present:

Duffy Meyer - President-Elect, Cressy Aberle – Past President, Kathy Glass – Secretary, Cindy Fischer - Teacher Representative, Tom Hesford – Principal, Wendy Kopp – At Large,

The following board members were absent:

Lynn Burgard – President, Karen Fischer – Treasurer

### **Events & Fundraisers Quick Update/Recap:**

- **Football Pool Update:** PTO is barely making over break even point at this point. Many have said it is a tough year economically. We are under budget by over \$2000. Duffy Meyer has more checks to give to Karen Fischer. We will continue to try to sell books as the season goes on. The first three weeks of winners were listed in the bulletin. Wendy Kopp stated that she will check on the community access station to see if we qualify for free advertising there.
- **Pizza Corner Pizza Fundraiser Recap:** This year 1886 pizzas sold. There was \$4649 in profit this year. This is roughly \$1000 over budget. There are 36 extra pizzas and 20 duffle bags left over. It was decided to use these items to use for the midway and silent auction events at Family Fun Night. The top three pizza sellers were presented with awards.
- **Applefest Fundraiser Recap:** There was nothing budgeted for this event this year and we barely made over \$351.52. The weather was good on Saturday for the event but not on Sunday. This is an event we may discontinue next year. We will have further discussion on this.
- **Pumpkin Patch – Weekends, October 4 thru October 24:** Coordinated by Kari Zeien. The Pumpkin Patch has been closed for the whole first week of our involvement due to the weather.
- **Boxtops Collection Contest:** The school will celebrate the collection contest with an ice-cream sundae for every class and brownies/sundaes for the over-all class winner.
- **Fall Dance – Friday, October 30:** Times 6-9:00. Lorrie Reisenauer is heading this event and Staci Sturm is the DJ. There will be no scary costumes allowed and no award for this category.
  - 6-8 Grade Fun Hour at the Fall Dance:
- **Pastries for Parents – Friday, October 16:** This is a gathering for all the school family parents. Caramel rolls are being cooked by the cooks at school and we are in need of some seniors or grandmas to serve so PTO board members can mingle and visit with new parents and answer any questions they may have. The gathering will start at 7:30 and last until school starts at 8:15. Duffy Meyer is coordinating the event and will pick up any needed supplies.
- **New Family Mentoring Program:** Tom Hesford is working with Wendy Zander to get the family lists together. We will first need to get permission slips from the families in order to release the family information for this. Mr. Hesford will work on getting permission for this year and next year he may incorporate this permission slip into the orientation information.

- **KC Breakfasts for the School/PTO Update:** The KC's will rotate every year between the school and the PTO. All profits go to the PTO this year. We will have the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades help serve and clean up during these breakfasts. Also the check from last year was deposited into the school's account.
- **Joan Sieler:** The Sieler family said they do not need anything at this time, but mentioned if we want to help out by donating to Ovarian Cancer Research in the future, we can do that in her memory. It was talked about having a free will offering during the Spring Fling for this in Joan's name with a brief speech about her. The school is thinking of buying a bronzed statue for a memorial in her name as several memorials have been made to the school in her name.
- **Computer labs:** The school has \$19,000 put aside for the new computer lab which will consist of 24 new computers, and the school will find \$6000-\$7000 more, but Tom Hesford is requesting support from the PTO for eight new 72 inch tables costing between \$1300-\$3000. This is to be tabled until next month. Public schools use PC's which cost about half as much, but Mac's are the teacher's preference because they are much more user friendly. Tom's budget allows for the Mac's.

#### **New Business:**

- **Teacher/Staff Christmas Gifts:** The letters to parents informing them of the option of giving cash to the teacher/staff instead of individual Christmas gifts, will be sent home by mid November. Shawna Greff, Shawn Morlock and Cressy Aberle agreed to coordinate this.
- **PTO Dinner for Teachers at Conferences:** Conferences are scheduled for November 5<sup>th</sup>. The teachers requested the family style food, similar to what was done last year, instead of individual orders.
- **Treasurer Report:** nothing to report

#### **Other Business:**

- Stephanie Heinert, a new parent at SMGS and an Uppercase Living dealer, offered to do a fundraiser for the school where she would donate her 25% commission to the school. We would have to get further details from her, but she stated we could come up with a flyer and she could basically do the rest.

Meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m. by Duffy Meyer - President-Elect.