

## **PTO Meeting Minutes**

### **Friday, December 11, 2009**

The PTO meeting was held on Friday, December 11, 2009 in the south Multipurpose Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by Lynn Burgard - President.

The following board members were present:

Lynn Burgard - President, Duffy Meyer - President-Elect, Karen Fischer - Treasurer, Kathy Glass - Secretary, Cressy Aberle - Past President, Cindy Fischer - Teacher Representative

Others present:

Katie Johnson, Art Archulata, Marcy Ekre, Wendy Zander, Shauna Greff, Shawn Morlock

The following board members were absent:

Tom Hesford - Principal, Wendy Kopp - At Large

#### **Old Business:**

- **Santa Store & Breakfast Recap** – This fundraiser did very well this year. More people were served for breakfast than were anticipated. The KC's had to buy more food to serve everyone. The free will offering brought in \$672.42 after expenses. Pictures with Santa brought in \$300 which is all profit thanks to Art Archuleta donating his time, equipment and supplies. The Santa Store's profits have yet to be tabulated, as all expenses are not yet in. Many items for the store needed to be purchased this year. A flyer sent home asking for donations of gift items was very successful, and many nice items were donated. A note is made to do this again next year.
- **December Event Updates** -
  - **Barnes & Noble** – This event will be held Saturday December 12. The third and first grade classes were asked to sing at this event. Mr. Ulmen will do magic tricks, and Mr. Hesford will read a story. A flier with coupons went home with the students. Barnes & Noble will donate 10% of the total purchases made to PTO when the school coupon is used. Last year this event raised \$720 and the budget for this year is \$640.
  - **Christmas Bake Sale** – The bake sale will be held this Saturday & Sunday, December 12 & 13 after All Masses. A flier went with each student asking all families to donate a baked item or a make a cash donation for the fundraiser.
  - **Teacher's/Staff Christmas Cash** – a total of \$6,831 was collected from 71 parent family donations (\$4,131) and the PTO's contributions (\$2,700) to be divided between 23 full time and 8 part time staff. With added staff, the PTO will be \$450 over budget.
  - **Light of the Future** – For this special fundraiser candles can be purchased in honor or memory of a loved one. The candle will be lit at a ceremony preceding the Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. Each gift will be acknowledged with a holiday greeting card and the special person(s) will be listed in a book on display in St. Mary's.
- **Super Bowl Football Pool Update** – The regular season football pool sold 46 out of 100 spots. There are currently 37 squares sold for the Super Bowl football pool. A suggestion was made to send a reminder flyer home with students and to encourage parents to purchase a square as a stocking stuffer or for the "hard to buy for person."
- **Box Tops & Labels for Education** – a check for \$640 is expected in December for Box Tops collections, mainly from the contest held in September. A total of 19,000 points are currently accumulated from Labels for Education. First grade teacher Cyndi Fischer is able to use points

now to receive items for her classroom. Preschool teacher, Kim Ritter and Kindergarten teacher Liz Bihle used points in last year. The first grade class will have Brownies and ice cream, and all grades will have ice-cream next week as a reward for their Box Top collection efforts.

- **Silent Auction & Family Fun Night Carnival Update** – This event will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2010. A chairperson is still needed to head the concessions.
- **Author in Residence Update** – This school event will be held in March. PTO will cover a majority of the expenses of the Author in Residence program being brought to the school. The school has also had two jean days to help cover the expenses.
- **Christmas Movie** – The Christmas movie will be held at the school again this year. Taking the kids to the movie theater has become harder as it is difficult to find drivers and the theater will no longer allow students to bring in their own popcorn and beverages. The PTO will be making popcorn for this event and purchasing a variety of flavored seasonings for the popcorn.
- **Computer Lab** – the new computers are in! The old computers will be donated.

#### **New Business:**

- Treasurer Report – received \$1000 from Papa's Pumpkin Patch event.

#### **Other Business:**

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m. by Lynn Burgard - President.

#### **Upcoming PTO Meetings**

**Wednesday, January 13; 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm**  
in the School Library with Childcare in the Music Room

#### **Upcoming PTO Events**

**Light of the Future** – December 2009

**Barnes & Noble** – Saturday, December 12, 2009, noon to 6:00 pm

**Christmas Bake Sale** – December 12 & 13, 2009 following all Masses

**Family Fun Night Carnival & Silent Auction** – Saturday, January 30, 2010