

ST. MARY'S PTO Meeting Minutes

Friday, October 8, 2010

The PTO meeting was held on Friday, October 8, 2010 in the Multipurpose Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by Duffy Meyer - President.

The following board members were present:

Duffy Meyer - President, Lynn Burgard – Past President, Karen Fischer - Treasurer, Melanie Konieczka – At Large, Cindy Fischer - Teacher Representative and Tony Fladeland – Principal

Others present:

Amanda Schaeftbauer and Suzanne Windsor

The following board members were absent:

Kathy Glass – Secretary and Bernadette Dosch – President Elect

Old Business:

- **Pizza Corner** - Chaired by Cressy Aberle and Val Easton. Thank you to everyone who sold pizzas! The profit for this fundraiser was a little over \$5,000. Some extra Canadian Bacon pizzas were accidentally ordered and we received about 40 extra pizzas from Pizza Corner because of the amount of pizzas sold. The extras pizzas will be sold for \$7.50 for a large and \$5.50 for a small. Anyone wanting to purchase extra pizzas can contact Duffy Meyer or Lynn Burgard. Some of the extra pizzas will be used to host a pizza party for the classroom that collects the most box tops in the October collection campaign.

The top Pizza Corner sellers and the prizes they won include:

1st Place – Greta Pfau, 2nd grade, 145 pizzas sold. She won a \$40 gift card to Space Aliens.

2nd Place – Matthew Splonskowski, Kindergarten, 134 pizzas sold. He won a \$30 gift card to Space Aliens.

3rd Place - Gabby Borth, 2nd grade, 103 pizzas sold. She won a \$20 gift card to DQ.

4th Place – Conner Laber, Junior Kindergarten, 96 pizzas sold. He won a \$10 gift card to DQ.

- **Fall Rummage Sale** - Chaired by Diane and Kennen Huck. The profit for this event was around \$1,465. The fall rummage sale was a huge success. The extra clothing items were shared with residents in Fort Yates. Some things were given to HHH Miniature Horse Rescue south of Mandan for their fundraiser/rummage sale. Six suitcases of summer clothes and shoes went to the God's Child Project. The teachers got some nice things for their classrooms. We kept a lot of nice, new items for the Santa Store in December. Thank you to everyone who donated, helped, and shopped.
- **Family Involvement Participation Update** - There are still many PTO events that need additional helpers and not all parents have turned in their Family Involvement Form. When parents work events they must make sure to sign the sign-in sheet in order to get credit for working the event.
- **Underwear Drive** - The school will support this Diocesan Mission project by holding a jeans day on October 20th. The money raised will go to help provide underwear for African Aids Orphans.
- **Safety Markers** - A suggestion made by a parent at the September PTO meeting was brought to the School Board. They were in support of the school purchasing safety markers for the front of the school to help remind drivers to drive slowly and watch for children crossing the street after school. Mr. Fladeland will be ordering the markers soon.

New Business:

- **Football Pool** – Regular season and Super Bowl Football Pool cards are still available. Contact Duffy Meyer if you would like to purchase a football pool card. This is a fun way to help the school. All winners will be contacted and their name will be placed in the bulletin.
- **Pumpkin Patch** – St Mary's Grade School is filling the entire season driving the small tractor at the Pumpkin Patch. The weather has cooperated so far and everything has been going great.

- **Fall Family Dance: - Still Need Event Chair -** This event will be held Friday, October 29 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. We would like to coordinate a special Junior High gathering with games; however we need a parent volunteer to coordinate this if it is going to happen. Please contact Duffy Meyer if you can help. Pizza, pop and concessions will be available. Stacy Sturm will be the DJ for the dance. There will not be a costume contest but every person wearing a costume will get a small prize.
- **Herberger's Sale Day** – November 13. St Mary's will be selling Herberger's Day Coupons this year.
- **Santa Store / Breakfast & Pictures with Santa** – The Santa Store will be open the first weekend in December, Friday the 3rd through Sunday the 5th. The KC's will be holding a breakfast on Sunday the 5th after all Masses. Santa will be at the Breakfast and you will be able to purchase professional pictures with Santa by Art Archuleta. More information to follow.
- **Family Fun Night & Silent Auction** – This event will be held Saturday, January 22. More help is needed with the silent auction and the carnival. There will be a dessert room instead of bingo this year. More information to follow closer to the event.

Other Business:

- Grant Fund Request – Junior High Teacher Corey Frink requested \$200 for a 7th & 8th grade science project to build mousetrap cars. Lynn Burgard made a motion to approve the grant fund request. Karen Fischer seconded the motion. The motion was approved with discussion that the Teacher's Wish List should be used to help with this type of project in the future. The \$25.00 earned from the last Teacher's Wish List Project will be used to help pay for this grant request.

Adjourn - The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 by Duffy Meyer.

Upcoming PTO Meeting

Wednesday, November 17 from 7:00 - 8:00 PM
 In the School Library with Daycare in the Music Room
 All Grade School & Preschool Parents are encouraged to attend!

Upcoming PTO Events

Family Fall Dance - Friday, October 29 6:00 - 9:00 PM in the St Mary's Grade School Gym

Herberger's Day Sale - Saturday, November 13, 2010

Santa Store - St Mary's Grade School Multipurpose Room

Friday, December 3 - 8:00 - 4:00 PM

Saturday, December 4 - Time TBA

Sunday, December 5 - 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Breakfast & Pictures with Santa - Sunday, December 5 9:00 AM – Noon in the St Mary's Grade School Gym