



Holy Rosary School PTO Meeting Minutes September 11, 2018

Attendance: Sandy Hartenstein, Jean Halford, Amanda Fiedler, Lindsey Bluhm, Anna Filoni, Chicquita Crane, Carina Van Pelt, Agata Zalupski, L'Britney Moore, Flower Aston, Jodi Bright

Sandy Hartenstein, PTO President, called the meeting to order at 8:05 am. Sandy read the Opening Prayer with PTO members reading the response.

Mission Statement: the mission statement was read by Jodi Bright

Introductions: Introductions were made around the table

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the last PTO meeting on May 8, 2018 were approved.

Principal's report: Carina Van Pelt reported

- Current Enrollment is 180 students.
- The school did not use all \$80,000 from school year 2017- 2018.
- Channel 8 News will be at the school today to cover the schools 9/11 event.
- The school will be using three of the current certified teachers, Mrs. Ernst, Ms. Atwell, and Mrs. Garcia as Title 1 teachers. These teachers provide extra help for students in reading and math with particular focus on reading. The classes are held three days a week after school.

Treasure's Report: Jodi Bright reported

- No report was available at this time as Jodi has not received updates. The parish is in transition on the bookkeeping position.
- Because Holy Rosary School did not require all \$80,000 from the PTO funds last year, there will be an additional \$20,000 in the PTO account.

Restaurant Fundraiser/Box Tops Report:

- \$1804.00 in the restaurant funds
- Wendy's on Broadway is the first restaurant fundraiser site on September 19th from 5-8 pm. Wendy's donates up to 20% of all sales without a voucher. If \$400.00 is raised, Wendy's will be used a second time in the spring.
- Panchanga's will be the next restaurant fundraiser site next month on October 16th or 17th.

- Discussed having the Classroom Ambassadors organize students and families to come to the restaurants as a group as a means to build relationships within the class.
- \$127.10 was raised with the April/May of 2018 contest of Box Tops. This year's first classroom contest will end on October 18th. Prizes such as an extra recess and the trophy will be given rather than food.
- Sandy noted there is an app to get extra box tops. Instructions for use on the handout "Free Ways to Give" was given out at registration by the PTO. It was discussed that this handout should be on the Website, available at the front desk, and given to the ambassadors to share with parents. Sandy will get the handout to Leona Kelly for the Website, make copies for the front desk and get the information to Alexa Stanger who is coordinating the ambassadors for the school board.
- Discussion of adding information for fundraising options on the Website.

OLD BUSINESS

- PTO will not be participating in the organizing of the Parish Carnival due to the restructuring of the event.
- A Coffee Get Together will be held 9/25 from 7-9 am to allow parents to ask questions, learn about volunteering opportunities, and network. Jake Murray, School Board President will announce on Panther Pause.
- School registration went well. Parents could sign up for volunteer activities with the PTO, "Free Ways to Give" handout was distributed along with Back to School Picnic flyer.
- Back to school night. PTO helped and handed out ice cream bars along with frozen fruit bars for lactose intolerant children.
- Endowment dinner. Carina gave a presentation.
- It was discovered that Amazon Smile is not transferring proceeds to the Endowment Fund, as the Amazon Contract has not been signed. Sandy will follow up with Bob Andrel to get this completed.
- Fall picnic was a success with approximately 200 people attending. Volunteers did a wonderful job. One child was injured during the evening. Discussion concerning reminding parents they are responsible for watching their children. Will address this on the picnic flyer for next years picnic.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mary Lund gave an update on early preparations for this years **Wine Tasting and Auction**. PTO helps support this. Goal is to raise \$100,000 – raised \$96,000 last year. Advertise with word of mouth and social media. Encourage parents to Like and Share on facebook. First committee meeting was held Wednesday the 5th. Already have 3 sponsors. Looking for donations: money, antiques, nice gifts, etc.
- **Teacher's Conference** – October 26-27. PTO will provide lunch on October 26 at 11:30.
- **School store program** – Sandy checked into this and it is online ordering of major stores through this site. Requires participants to provide the emails of three other persons for each student that registers for the program. Concerns expressed about

- giving out other person's email addresses. PTO voted to not proceed on this fundraiser.
- **Chair for Christmas Program and Teacher Appreciation Week.** Danielle Jensen states she will Chair the Teacher Appreciation Week but she needs a Vice Chair. * After the meeting, Amanda Fiedler offered to be the Chair for the Christmas Program. Jean Halford will serve as Vice Chair.
 - **SJP II Parish Welcome Committee Service Fair September 16th** – Sandy and Carina will discuss.
 - **Volunteer Hour Book** - Reminder for all parents to sign the Volunteer Hours Book for attending meetings.

CLOSING PRAYER – School Novena said by all present.

Meeting concluded at 9 am.

Minutes submitted by Jean Halford, PTO Secretary.