

Saint Matthew Parents' Club
January 21, 2009 7:00 pm
Multi-Purpose Room
Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order – Janet Payonk
Opening Prayer – Mrs. Scherer

- II. Roll Call – Cindy Brya, Stacey DeLorenzo, Jen Fackler, John Hansen, Julie Hansen, Tece Hendrickson, Janet Payonk, Karen Pollard, Kathy Scherer, Laura Vavrin

- III. Winter Carnival Early Bird Drawing – Jen Fackler & Stacey DeLorenzo

The winner of the \$100 drawing was Steve Neitzel.

- IV. Approval of minutes – December 2008 minutes were accepted by Tece Hendrickson and seconded by Jen Fackler.

- V. Principal's Report – Mrs. Scherer
 - A. Thanked volunteers for the November book fair and room mothers for the work they did preparing for the Christmas room parties.

 - B. Passed out schedule for Catholic Schools Week (1/24-1/30) and discussed the events taking place throughout the week.

- VI. Pastor's Report – Fr. Mark (not present)

- VII. President's Report – Janet Payonk
 - A. Yahoo/Google Groups.
The use of Yahoo and Google Groups to replace the defunct list serve was discussed. Yahoo requires members to sign up. Google allows names to be entered and then an email is sent asking people to join the group. Neither one ensures that we will reach all parents, but Google provides a better chance. Julie Hansen brought up a local online service that provides a similar service geared towards schools. There was information about it on WCIA a couple of weeks ago with a website that was mentioned. Julie will try to find out more information about this service.

VIII. Treasurer's Report – Julie and John Hansen

The current fund balance is \$52,155, with \$2,205.85 of that being money allotted to the teachers from book fair profits. The Box Top check for the first half of the year has been received. It was \$1598.

A question came up about the YTD income from apparel sales. They are \$2910 versus the budgeted \$6000. There were several suggestions for increasing sales including: providing pictures of available items both on the website and in the office (along with order forms) and selling available apparel both at school sporting events and fish fry dinners.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Box Tops

The pizza party for Mrs. Meade's class has been cancelled twice due to school closings. It is currently scheduled for this Friday.

A new chair is needed for the Box Tops Committee for next year.

B. Scrip

A new chair is needed for Scrip for next year.

C. School Kits

A new chair is needed for next year. This committee starts work very soon so a new chair is needed to start working with Shelia Gillette right away.

X. Unfinished Business

A. Recycling

Tece confirmed that pizza boxes can be recycled. She is going to check on chicken boxes. [Julie mentioned that cardboard that is white when ripped or waxed coated cannot be recycled].

Tece also put together an info sheet about the recycling program for parents volunteering for lunch duty. This sheet will be made available both in the office and on the website. It will also be added to the next newsletter. Additionally, a suggestion was made to add the lunchroom duties guide to the website and to make it available to parents on fee day when signing up for lunch duty.

B. Freezer

The Parent's Club freezer off the old gym will cost \$1100 to fix. It would be \$4000 or more to buy a new one. Before doing anything we need to determine if anyone is using the old one. Its current use is unknown. At one time it was being used for fish frys but this would be a parish use and not a school use.

XI. New Business

A. Disciples in Mission – Kristen Hummel/Cindy Feeney (not present – may not have been aware of meeting rescheduling)

Adjourn.

Next Meeting is January 14th in the MP Room.