

St. Timothy Home and School Association
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2008

Members Present: Kim Melillio, Carolyn Weber, Eva Romaker, Barbie Marchese, Cathy Watson, Lori Francescon, Nancy Montgomery and Mary Stotler

Opening Prayer: We started the meeting seeking guidance on taking the time to slow down; Slow me down, Lord.

Secretary's Report: September meeting minutes approved.

President's Report:

School Board Meeting: One of the goals for this year is to improve the grammar and writing skills of the students. Mr. Logue attended a workshop on sentence diagramming and parts of speech. Any other suggestions on this area can be brought to the School Board.

Mr. Lee is teaching key boarding to the 2nd and 3rd graders.

The 4th grade class is incredibly large; 36 students. A teacher's aide is being sought for Mrs. Price.

The nutritional value of lunch was discussed. Any suggestions or comments shall be made to Mrs. Boulware.

Email communication will increase to families regarding school matters.

School board meeting minutes will be posted on the website; check the school or church website.

The computer lab was discussed at length again. An estimate from HP was submitted for XP, computers. It includes the cost of 19 computers with a 3 year warranty. The current CPU's would go downstairs. The new ones would go in the lab. There is no need for a server as the estimate is compatible with what we have. It is noted that it is a downgrade system however. Home and School would like to obtain additional quotes to have something to compare. Also to evaluate all of the costs and what we need. This will also help create some historical data to pull from in the future if necessary. It is not necessary to downgrade; we need real time/real time value. We recommend that an IT committee be formed to evaluate equipment, computer curriculum; we need to support the use of the computer as well as keep up with technology.

Treasurer's Report:

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Balance as of 9/19/08: \$16,699.95		
Income:		
Market Day	\$136.10	
Used Uniform Sale	\$133.50	
Cartridge Recycling	\$89.90	
Activity Fee	\$3,140.00	
Total Income		\$3,499.50
Expenses:		
Crackers for Nurses' Office	\$40.00	
Open House	\$23.28	
Activity Fee Envelopes	\$18.71	
Printing of Activity Fee Envelopes	\$32.03	
Hansell Gift Card	\$50.00	
Parent Pal Expenses	\$48.45	
1st Day Coffee	\$31.77	
Teacher Luncheon	\$14.52	
First Grade Replacement Chairs	\$891.60	
Total Expenses		\$1,150.36

There are 171 families at St. Timothy; we are still waiting on a few activity fees. We are considering switching banks to get to an interest bearing account. Exploring options at this time.

Mr. Mosholder is inquiring about a new enrichment program; "Power of the Pen". The cost is \$650.00. He is asking that we pay 50%. We would like more information...should it be a line item in the budget, who will oversee it, how will students be notified etc????

The Care Program would like to purchase a button maker. It is \$250.00. We need some additional funds approved.

Volunteer Coordinator Report: 92 SOS forms were returned; really good response. 51 families will be participating in the cookies for the staff at the holidays and a large number volunteered to assist with the festival. We also have a new volunteer coordinator to be announced next month!

Hospitality Report: All is well with the hospitality committee. Open house was a huge success and the next event is for Parent/Teacher conferences. The fare will light and simple. It was very well received last year and this year will be very similar.

Old Business: The first graders have their new chairs and Mrs. Gates is very pleased!!

SCRIP is up and running. We need to get more families involved. We are considering having a representative from H&S to be available at Parent/Teacher conference to answer any questions and to encourage participation. Kroger gift cards are now available through SCRIP. Kroger gives a 5% return on earnings.

Noodles and Company fundraiser was a huge success. We earned \$372.82. We hope to be able to work with NC annually. It was fun for all. NC is also going to donate a \$50.00 gift card for the Catholic Schools Week raffle.

New Business: The open house questionnaire netted a few responses however there was not any one/two overwhelming concerns.

We are going to look at doing restaurant fundraisers monthly. Lori will look into this further.

A grant request has been submitted for the K-3 teachers to attend a seminar/conference at the Autism Expo. It is \$600.00 to attend. This has been approved and we will look at funds in the continuing ed line item as well to fund this request.

Next Meeting will be held Monday November 10, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Francescon