

ST. Timothy Home and School Association
Meeting Minutes
November 11, 2008

Members Present: Kim Melillo, Michelle Myers, Lori Francescon, Carolyn Weber, Eva Romaker, Cathy Watson, Ellen Limes, Barbie Marchese, Mary DiOrio, Mary Stotler, Nancy Montgomery

Opening Prayer: We said a prayer for priests as Father Hayes is off on a retreat.

Secretary's Report: October meeting minutes approved.

President's Report:

School Board Meeting: Technology Plan. We will be getting more comprehensive quotes. Our current system will be evaluated and we will reach out to parents/parishioners to start an IT committee.

Conferences: Is 10 minutes long enough??? Should the conferences be mandatory??? Discussed other options....teachers are accessible and flexible, made additional arrangements etc.

Blue Ribbon School: Currently we are not a blue ribbon school. It is worth looking into further and forming a committee as it is a lengthy and time consuming process.

Grades: Should there be letter grades for 4th and 5th grades. It is an ongoing debate however there are no changes forthcoming. It is a diocese rule, therefore it will need to be addressed there.

Special needs of students: We need to continue working on enhancing our skills and services for this population. It is recognized that more work needs to be done.

4th Grade Aide: Marianne Murphy has been hired as the fourth grade aide.

Volunteer Coordinator Report:

Carie Moran will be replacing Ellen Limes as the Volunteer Coordinator next year.

Hospitality Report:

Conferences: The dinner was well received by all.

Supplies: We are in good shape on supplies.

Cookies: Emails have been sent out reminding those who volunteered to bake cookies to have them in December 8, 2008. There are approximately 51 volunteers and we will be making treats for 45 staff members. The container design is undecided at this time.

Treasurer's Report:

10-Nov-08

Balance as of 11/06/08 \$20,062.25

Income		
Noodles and Co. Fundraiser	\$372.82	
Spirit Wear	\$846.50	
Magazine Sale	\$245.44	
Activity Fee	\$120.00	
Total Income		\$1,584.76
Expenses		
Return Check	\$60.00	
Return Check Fee	\$45.00	
Principal's Day Gift	\$35.50	
Total Expenses		\$140.50

Last month we discussed approving funds for a few teachers to attend the Autism Conference. Due to the length of the conference (3 days) and the amount of time away from school the teachers will not be attending. We are currently researching a 1-2 day seminar instead.

The money from the magazine sales is beginning to trickle in slowly. We are on track for earnings of \$8,000.00 to \$10,000.00. We will monitor closely.

Old Business:

SCRIP continues to do well. In one month we made \$ 1,753.90. Keep in mind that ½ of that goes to H&S and ½ to families. We need to encourage more families to get involved. Kroger cannot be added at this time due to administrative issues. Information will be added to the Website as well as frequent email reminders to encourage participation.

Technology: See President's Report.

George's Birthday: Wonderful Rita Tie. He loved it!

New Business:

Parent's Night/Open House Questionnaire: There were a total of 8 surveys returned. Generally the responses were pretty positive and there was not one overwhelming concerns. The surveys will be kept for future reference (if necessary).

Dinner Out Fundraiser: The next event will be held at Max & Erma's on Kenny Rd., Wednesday December 3, 2008. We are exploring other restaurants as well; City BBQ, BW-3, Donatos, Raising Canes, Roosters, Las Margaritas etc. We would like to do one each month of the school year.

Enrichment Programs: What do we want to do for Catholic Schools Week? Several ideas were tossed around; Dancing Wheels, COSI on Wheels, MAD Scientist, Turtle Lady, Musicians/Dancers. It was agreed that the more interactive the better for the students.

Next Meeting will be December 8th, 2008. This is an abbreviated meeting as will be putting together the cookie boxes.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Francescon