

St. Mary Home and School Association Meeting Minutes (unapproved)

Tuesday, January 5, 2010, 10:05 a.m.**

** Due to a 2 hour snow delay the meeting was held at 10:05. An email blast was sent out to families that morning notifying them of the time change. Because of this an abbreviated meeting was held, covering only items that required immediate attention. Written reports (included below) were provided in order to limit the length of the meeting.

Attendance: Ann Canby, Tom Rose, Kathy Wotruba, Eileen Gundelfinger, Theresa Fish, Erica Gaib, Jayne Bryant, Jamie Bryant, Jane Dodds.

Call to Order: 10:05 a.m.

Opening Prayer

1. Treasurer's report: Tom Rose distributed the treasurer's report for December 2009. Ending checkbook balance December 31, 2009 is \$24,207.18. Holiday Happening was very successful with the profit at over \$44,000.

2. Fundraising Reports

- **SCRIP Report:** Erica Gaib reported that there is currently a \$21,225.06 checkbook balance with YTD profits of \$22,289. December profits were down a little from 2008 but sales were still very good. A new monthly promotion will begin in mid-January. The children from each family that purchases \$200 of Scrip in a month will receive a special grub for that month. SCRIP responsibilities are being revised to distribute the responsibility more evenly. Additional volunteers are still needed to help with Scrip.

- **Market Day:** Kendra Gundelfinger provided the following written report: For January we currently have about 20 orders. Orders are down. Order forms are due in office by next Tuesday, January 12 at noon or online by Tuesday at 11:00 pm. A reminder will be in the Thursday Newsletter.

-Miscellaneous

- **Bob Evans Community Fun Night** - Eileen Gundelfinger reported that profits from Nov 30 were \$147 and Dec 22 profits were \$177. Profits will go to the Home and School's general fund. A similar program with the Spaghetti Shop is being considered.

- **Candy Cane Sale**- Jane Dodds reported that the sale held at the Christmas Program netted \$275 which will be applied to new microphones and a mixer for the sound system on the stage.

3. Services to Parents/Faculty

-**Thursday Folder Newsletter** - Greer Edwards emailed a request to remind everyone to email their submissions to the newsletter by Monday evening - greer2008@mac.com.

- **Spirit Store and Welcoming Committee** - Shelley Gavin provided the following written report:

Spirit Store - going well, would like to have table for Open House during Catholic Schools week and at home basketball games (if I can get volunteers) .

Welcoming Committee -

* Parent representatives for each grade will be calling new families over the summer and throughout the school year to "welcome" them and answer any questions have been confirmed.

* Meeting planned for the end of Jan. to discuss and compile an outline of all school programs, rules, activities, volunteer opportunities, etc. that the parent reps can reference when calling new families.

* Will investigate hosting a Back to School picnic/ice cream social before school starts in the fall.

* Would like teacher input on common questions or suggestions to help new families ease into the school year.

4. E-2 - Enlighten and Enrichment Program

Jayne Bryant made a motion to approve \$1000 in funding for E-2 so a COSI on Wheels (K-6) science enrichment program can be reserved. The motion was seconded and approved.

Prior to the meeting Jayne provided the following enrichment update:

* Two authors will be visiting St Mary School. Christian author Elizabeth Ficocelli will present on Tuesday, January 26th & Margaret Peterson Haddix will appear on Friday, March 12.

* The pARTnership Program & workshop, from the Decorative Arts Center, will be presented to the entire student body on February 16.

- * Monthly after-school programs will include a self portrait class (grades 5 -8), Photography Club (grades 4 -8), Mystery Club (grades K -8), and a greeting card class.
- * The Sky High science program will be held on January 9 & 23 and continue through May.
- * Willy Wonka will be the spring musical and will be presented on May 14 & 15.

5. New Business

- Jane Dodds presented a request to purchase new microphones and a mixer for the sound system for the school's stage. The estimated cost for this equipment is \$2284. Competitive bids for the system will be sought and a vote will be taken at the February meeting.

- Kathy Wotruba presented a request from School Advisory Board President Mary McGloughlin for volunteers and assistance, including hospitality, and an E2 presence for an Open House being planned at the end of Catholic Schools Week on February 7. It was suggested that cookie donations be solicited from parents. Jane Dodds a motion to approve \$50 for beverages and paper products. The motion was seconded and approved.

- Mrs. Yapple emailed a request for \$150 to fund the awards and ribbons for the Science Fair. Kathy Wotruba made a motion to honor the request for \$150. The motion was seconded and approved.

Jamie Bryant made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:50.

Next Meeting: February 2, 2010 – 7 p.m.