

St. Bernadette School PTO Executive Board Meeting

April 5, 2011

7:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

President	Geoff Bacino	Present
Vice President	Erin Moore	Present
Secretary	Andrea O'Grady	Present
Treasurer	Mike Hickman	Present
Ways and Means	Joe Bury	Absent
Principal	Mrs. Beeks	Absent
Vice Principal	Mrs. Richard	Absent
Faculty Representative	Sandy Barrick	Present
	Tom Snee	Present

Copy to: Donna Feerst Church
Fr. Larsen
Fr. Pollard
All Committee Members

The following constitutes our understanding of the matters discussed and conclusions reached. If there are any errors or omissions in the basic discussions, please notify the writer.

MEETING NOTES:

Opening Prayer: Geoff Bacino

President's Report: Geoff Bacino

Auction:

Geoff had a discussion with Joe Bury and Mary Fedorochko. He doesn't know if there is enough time to put an auction together this year. There might be other options to take its place.

Scrip/Budget

The reason this seems to be dragging in profit is because there is about \$33,000 that we continue to put on the bottom line—inventory we keep

about \$1300 rotating in and out. At the end of the year we should end up with about \$1300 in inventory. We've already paid for it, it's ours. We buy \$5000 worth of Giant cards, for example. We backed out the fixed cost to give us a better idea of what we've spent and what we're making. The class baskets generated over \$100,000 in sales.

Elections:

Geoff has had some interest in one of the positions. There is a letter going out to the parents in the Cardinal Flyer urging people to run.

Pizza Lunch:

The PTO bought the pizza and ice cream thank you lunch for the kids for participation in the Super Class basket contest.

Cafeteria:

We have the new industrial strength oven and microwave in place. We're still discussing a new ice-maker.

Treasurers Report: Mike Hickman

Mike distributed the monthly budget.

What we are seeing in the Scrip line, is a return on investment at 18% but it is the cumulative effect from the time we started Scrip to the present time. We've made 6 percent per year. There is going to be a lag when we report this if we go and buy in advance.

We need to pick members to be on a budget committee.

Principal's Report: Mr. Snee reports for Mrs. Beeks

Terra Nova Testing

Terra Nova Testing begins next week for Grades 2-7. Keep the students in your prayers. We are asking the students to arrive early. Children should get to bed early, turn off electronics at night and have a good breakfast in the morning.

Another reminder email will go out later this week.

Spirit Week

Spirit Week will be May 9-13. Many events are scheduled for the week. An ice cream day will be held on May 11.

Faculty and Staff Appreciation Week

May 2-6 is Faculty Staff Appreciation Week. Can the PTO help out and do something for the exceptional staff. Maybe someone can attend Fellowship on May 2 and read a proclamation. Are there any other ideas? Room parents can inform parents about this week—maybe to send in cards, flowers, gift cards? There is a monthly luncheon planned for Wednesday, May 4. Mrs. Beeks will plan something for each day.

Enrollment

There are 461 students enrolled for next year-- 4 more registered today. We've had 8 students start since January. There are about 20 students not returning because of moving or financial issues. Mrs. Beeks will contact the families not returning and find out their reasons why.

Confirmation

Confirmation this year will be on Saturday, May 7. Normally it is during the week. This is the day before Mother's Day. We did not have control over it. It came from the Diocese. Confirmation will be at 10am for the school and one at 2:30p. It is becoming more routine, that there is no Mass at confirmation. 7th grade parents are hosting the reception in the gym. We have 39 students that will be confirmed.

The Four Evangelists

The 7th graders recently completed a project on the 4 Evangelists and you will see the demonstration on Palm Sunday in the main vestibule in the church.

Art Show/Band Festival

We had a great Art Show last weekend and Diocesan Band concert. About 75 parents and teachers were there to support the band.

Teacher's Representative Report: Sandy Barrick

An email was forwarded by Mrs. Clement from a parent about an idea for the auction. At their child's former school, they auctioned off the children's art work and they made a lot of money.

Web site—Erin Moore reports the Web Site has been updated.

Closing Prayer: Geoff Bacino

Meeting Adjourned: 7:46pm