

To be Reviewed and Approved at the next Home and School Meeting

HOME AND SCHOOL MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

Welcome/Opening prayer

Introductions by Joe Schaefer, President;
Caroline Rice, President-Elect;
Lisa Berendzen, Treasurer;
Susan McCurren, Secretary

Introduction and welcome to Fr. Dave Veit

Approval of minutes from March 24 2009 meeting/minutes

Treasurer's report approved.

Jill Streumph, welcome back to everyone and introduction of IC teachers. Update of school activities and noted that 1st mid-quarter is next week already. Achievement testing will be coming up. Update on financial situation: \$22,000 FY deficit, different from projected \$300,000 deficit. Many sacrifices necessary to make that happen. Stewardship packets coming out October 2: STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION. Thanks to all volunteers who came out and got school ready for the new year.

Joe's budget report reiterated the \$22,000 deficit. Fr. Pat noted that many of the donations that alleviated the proposed \$300,000 deficit came from one-time donations that will be not be available in the future as a resource.

Upcoming fundraisers: Fall Fling is October 17, Chili Supper is February 6, Carnival is April 17.

Are there any new ideas for fundraisers? Look to examples you've seen from other schools or communities and we would be happy to try to make them work for us.

Laurie Kempker, chairman of Fall Fling, spoke of the upcoming event in the Helias Commons. Live and silent auction, dance, ice-breaker before event, brisket and chicken served.

Janie Hentges gave Scrip update. Made \$30,564 last year with half going back to families. There are some new participants, and Scrip is now available in the school office often with same day return.

Joe inherited 100 Home and School lunchbooks—ideas on how to distribute? Soup and Pie luncheon, mark down price, welcome committee? Motion made to donate to welcome committee to give to new members, motion seconded.

Becky Schlueter gave report on Athletic Committee. Updated everyone on volleyball (7 teams, 63 girls), cross country, cheerleading, winter tryouts for basketball will happen in October. All procedures for this are in parent handbook.

Lisa Berendzen, Girl Scout Chair, gave update. 20 girls signed up and still room for more.

Parish Council Report: working on pastoral priority worksheets. Upcoming CRHP weekends September 26/27 for men, October 10/11 for women. Also, the "Why Catholic" program will be starting soon.

Sr. Josetta gave update on collectible fundraisers (Box tops, Capri-sun, Lays, Avery labels). She also showed a video outlining the costs (monetary, environmentally, health wise) of using bottled water and

encouraged everyone to use tap water more. (\$400 average per person per year on bottled water: Fr. Pat pointed out that that money per person in parish would cover our parish costs).

Beth Atkinson presented information on the Accelerated Reader program. School wide goal of 25,000 points, thanked Home and School for supporting the program.

Please encourage people to sign up for future CRHP weekends, and support the 50 couples/volunteers who are leading the upcoming “Why Catholic’ series.

Proposed dates for upcoming H&S meetings: November 12, January 14, March 11.

Closing Prayer.