

# Parent Association Meeting Minutes

## May 6, 2010

**The following were present at the meeting:** Donnell Louviere, Amy Thompson, Amanda Stathes, Lori Liner, Janet Price, Lauren Haydel, Dawn Gonsoulin, Dwan Bryant, Julia Bourque, Janet Lyle, Charleen Westbrook, and Denise Fournier.

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Amy Thompson and the opening prayer was said.

II. A motion to approve the September minutes without changes was made by Julia Bourque and seconded by Dawn Gonsoulin. All in favor.

III. The current account balance year to date (with the exception of Cookie Dough Fundraiser Winners lunch-~\$150 and 7<sup>th</sup> grade Service of Completion-~\$250) is \$14,086.11.

a. Expenditures for 2009-2010:

New refrigerator - \$593.38; Babysitting for first meeting-\$44.00; Ice Cream Social - \$1,110.40; Grandparent's Day - \$1,663.47; Teacher Bonuses - \$5,581.14; Teacher Breakfast - \$250.00; Open House - \$430.23; Teacher Appreciation Week - \$2,017.67.

b. Profits for 2009-2010:

Pizza Fridays (after less expense) - \$8,725.00; Sally Foster Gift Wrap - \$10,108.26-gross income/\$5,581.14-net income; Number One Fundraising Cookie Dough - \$19,094.50-gross income/\$7,378.80-net income; \$714.00 – used uniforms.

IV. New Fundraising options

a. Sally Foster gift wrap has changed over to gift cards. You simply sell gift cards in \$20 increments and the purchaser then uses the card to purchase items online and the items are shipped directly to the buyer. This method seems less profitable than the original method. It would be easier for buyers to only purchase maybe 1 card at \$20 rather than purchasing several rolls of wrapping paper, etc., that would therefore total in higher profits.

b. Amanda Stathes reported on Sally Foster's "Entertainment Booklet" containing coupons to local businesses such as Rouse's, Smoothie King, etc. The cost is \$20 per booklet. A motion was made by Dawn Gonsoulin to accept the Entertainment booklet as our new fall fundraiser and seconded by Amanda Stathes. All in favor. Amanda Stathes would like suggestions for local businesses that could be used in the booklet.

c. Janet Lyle proposed a Secret Santa Shop. The PA would purchase gifts for students to purchase for parents, siblings, etc. from \$15-20. This idea was not in favor for several reasons: Parish Hall could not be available for consecutive days. Takes away from class time. Inventory issues.

d. Dawn Gonsoulin proposed a fundraiser for plastic/vinyl type bags in different sizes and patterns. The PA would receive a 50% profit. This was not in favor.

- e. Yankee Candle fundraising was mentioned. This was not in favor.
- f. Cookie Dough will remain as the spring fundraiser.
- e. A third fundraiser was brought up. It was for school book covers. Julia Bourque motioned for more research and it was seconded by Dawn Gonsoulin. All in favor. Denise Fournier will research this and report via email.
- f. Julia Bourque motioned for all leftover portfolios to be sold at JKAA. All proceeds will be donated to the school. Seconded by Amanda Stathes. All in favor.

**V. New Officers for 2010-2011:** PA Co-chair-Janet Price; PA Secretary-Denise Fournier. A motion was made by Amanda Stathes to accept the new officers. Seconded by Julia Bourque. All in favor.

Box Tops chair-Kristine Robichaux  
 Community Labels chair-Amy Thompson  
 Campbell's Labels chair-Amy Thompson

**VI.** The vote on making changes to Teacher Appreciation Week is tabled and will be voted on in the fall meeting. Motioned by Amanda Stathes. Seconded by Janet Price. All in favor.

**VII. Parent Association Projects**

- a. A sign-up sheet for the Ice Cream Social was available.
- b. A vote on whether or not to continue teacher Christmas bonuses or bonuses for Teacher Appreciation Week was tabled until the summer. (??Not clear on this)
- c. Kerry Diebold may be getting a co-chair for Pizza Fridays.
- d. The used uniform shop will be having a 50% off sale.

**VIII.** Balance on account: 11,101.81 (After 5% endowment, ~\$150/Fundraiser winners and ~\$250 for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Service of Completion.

Several suggestions are listed on the agenda by parents, teachers and administration.

PA monies will be dedicated towards:

- a. \$8000.00 for 20 new desks, escape ladders for the upper school classes upstairs, portable shed to house used uniforms and supplies, and a teacher break room.
- b. \$3000.00 for school improvements (Based on priority by administrative decisions.)
- c. \$584.30 (5% of remaining balance at end of school year) to endowment fund.

A motion was made by Julia Bourque to disburse the monies to the above mentioned. Seconded by Dawn Gonsoulin. All in favor.

**IX.** Julia Bourque made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Seconded by Dawn Gonsoulin.