

Holy Family PTO Meeting Minutes October 14, 2015

PTO Board Members Present:

Brett Bosworth
Todd Hardie
Bonnie Mullahy
Kathy Devine
Gena Schley
Pam Kaye
Frances Lawler
Leanne Hartle
Mr. De Maio

PTO Board Members Not Present:

John Burnett
Rachel Jenkins
Christina Brownell
Mrs. Dineen

PTO Members Present:

Marlo Mann
Leslie Brown
Alexander Wills
Kelly Gray
Melinda Leahy
Julie Stickelmaier

Brett started the meeting at 7:35 am with an opening prayer.

Secretary's Report: Pam Kaye

- The minutes from the September PTO meeting were reviewed via email and approved at the meeting.

President's Report: Brett Bosworth

- Fall Festival is Friday, October 23rd from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Cristina Valentino and her team are doing a fantastic job getting everything ready. The email blast will continue to have Fall Festival updates.
- The PTO survey is open until the beginning of November. Please leave your comments and feedback about ways we can enhance our school.
- We received an anonymous parent donation for playground equipment and improvement.
- The Mega Money Raffle chairman is Josh Stanley. There has been a transition meeting. He is assembling his volunteer team and starting the process of drafting tickets and flyers. The tickets should be out to parents over the next couple of weeks in the youngest child's folder.

Principal's Report: Mr. De Maio

- The building project completion is still on track for mid to end December. The parish office move out has been pushed back and they will be with us for another four weeks.
- We hope to have a mini open house at the new building and at our school during the weekend after Christmas to coincide with the Feast of the Holy Family. We will need PTO's help representing our school at this open house.
- There have been some changes at the diocese. Deacon Scott Conway is our new superintendent. Deacon Scott has visited most of schools and will visit Holy Family in early December during confessions. The diocese is also looking for a full time curriculum coordinator.
- The Bishop has been looking at common core to clarify what it should be for Catholic schools and a Catholic curriculum. He will be looking at all levels of the curriculum. A substantial rewrite will most likely be in the works. We want to present a curriculum that makes sense for our values and how we are preparing our children for high school.
- The diocese Chief Financial Officer has stepped down and they are also looking to fill that position as well.
- Mr. De Maio will represent all principals on the diocesan advisory school board.
- We have added a hoodie from Lands' End to our school uniform. Information was sent out in the daily email blast and there is a sample in the glass case by the front office. If there are any issues ordering from Lands' End, please see Mr. De Maio.
- Mr. De Maio is very excited about our new cross country club.

Teacher's Report: Frances Lawler

- The new AR rollout is working well especially with the lower grades. The teachers are excited for second quarter. If there are any questions about how to find the AR levels of books, please see your teacher.
- Many teachers signed up to be silly stringed at the Fall Festival.
- The first quarter ended well and the teachers are excited to see parents at conferences.

Vice President's Report: Todd Hardie

- The first Teacher Spotlight videos will be shot in early November.
- We will have a follow-up video from our Fall Festival so next year the video will be used to advertise and promote our festival through our website and social media.
- Todd will be meeting with Dawn Huskey to help educate the school video club.
- Leslie Brown is heading up our new Spirit Store. The online shop will be open for two weeks and then it will take another two weeks for all items to be embroidered and delivered. There will not be samples. You will need to look closely at measurements. Flyers with more information will go in Friday Folders.
- Spirit items include a beanie cap, an adult quick dry polo, a T-shirt for adults and children in long and short sleeve, a chevron T-shirt for adults and children, and a black visor. These items will be available for our next dress down day which will include spirit wear. Next year Mr. De Maio will look at having spirit days as part of our school culture. All information is coming in email blasts.

Fundraising Report: Brett Bosworth for Christina Brownell

- Reminder that the gift card program also benefits our school as well as the individual family, so please participate if you are able.
- The Spirit Night at Jersey Mike's raised \$26.10. We need to make sure future fundraising dates don't conflict with our sports program. We are looking at Panera Bread and Chick-Fil-A for future fundraising nights.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Devine

- Kathy passed out our recent PTO budget. The first big fundraising event will be Fall Festival. We have a projected income of \$6,000.
- All fundraising and social chairs should know their budget and what funds they are working with for their events.

Social Report: Brett Bosworth for Rachel Jenkins

- Parents should continue to monitor the daily email blasts for Fall Festival information, flyers, and volunteer opportunities.

Volunteer Report: Bonnie Mullahy

- Bonnie is updating the 2015/16 volunteer form for tracking volunteer hours. Please download the new form from our school website.
- We still need a chair for Concessions, Grandparents Day, and Sports Banquet. Please see Bonnie if interested. Please note the Concession chair is in charge of organizing the concession supplies.
- We will need lots of volunteers for Mega Money Raffle. Please see Bonnie or Josh Stanley if interested.
- We are working on ideas to get more parents involved and volunteering at our school.

Sports Report: John Burnett

- Congratulations to our boys and girls basketball teams for a great fall season.
- John is working on a new process to assign concession volunteers for home games.

Communications: Gena Schley

- Gena passed out the schedule for the PTO newsletter publishing dates. It will be published four times a year. Gena wants to continue the alumni portion of the newsletter. If anyone can assist with getting in touch with past families, please see Gena.

Open Forum:

- It was asked if the Mega Money Raffle will be held at the new Parish Hall. The January 23rd date is reserved and everything is moving forward as planned, but we will keep Deerwood Country Club on hold for now.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 am.