

H.S.A. Meeting

January 4, 2010

Members in Attendance:

Pastor: absent

Principal: Betsy Hunt

President: Dan Clyne

Vice President: absent

Secretary: Lori Zuti

Treasurer: Cathy Romero

Past President: Barbara Schmielt

Development/Admission Director: absent

Teachers: absent

Room Reps:

Preschool 2's – M/W: absent

Preschool 2's – Tu/Th: Cheri Wright

Preschool 3's - Evans: Angela Petrogeorge

Preschool 3's – Wilson: absent

Preschool 4's – Evans: Erin Koerselman, Erica Foresman

Preschool 4's – Wilson: Gini Collins

Kindergarten – Gobar: Hadley Saber

Kindergarten – Lester: Judy Fang

First Grade – Aragon: Jennifer Cook

First Grade – Teynor: absent

Second Grade – Weyher: Nicole Hall

Second Grade – Zuchetto: Heather Simonson, Brooke Soto

Third Grade: Chanteel Ballard

Fourth Grade: Linda Holyoak, Rhonda Dodson

Fifth Grade: Ali Brusa

Sixth Grade: Caroline Cheeseman

Seventh Grade: Kristi Thompson

Eighth Grade: Sally McMinimee

Committee Members: Ski Program/Mardi Gras Baskets – Teresa Prior

Other Attendees: none

Opening – Dan Clyne opened the meeting with a prayer and introductions. Last month's minutes were approved.

Old Business – Committee Chair provided these reports:

Christmas Program DVD – Dan inquired about what everyone thought of the DVD. The consensus of the group was that it was well done and the ability to skip from scene to scene was great. We sold 94 copies before the Christmas break, netting about \$460. The HSA will give approximately half that profit to Mr. Asman and Mr. Huntzinger to offset the cost of putting on the program. Additional copies of the DVD are available for \$15 for families who didn't get them before the break. Contact Dan Clyne to obtain a copy. The group agreed that we should plan to video next year's program.

Gym Lighting – The lighting fixtures in the gym were replaced over the break. It is a tremendous improvement. Unfortunately, one of the grids covering one of the light fixtures came unhinged. It is unclear how this happened, but Mrs. Hunt spoke with grades 4 – 8 to remind them that it is their responsibility to take care of their school and gym. No one should intentionally try to hit the lights. There will be an additional cost to repair this light fixture.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Hunt passed out copies of the January and February calendar from the web site and provided the following information:

Gym Kitchen – Mrs. Hunt feels strongly that the gym kitchen needs to be renovated to make it more safe and usable. This will be a basic renovation, but will allow us to use the kitchen for more functions. It may require a capital campaign to fund the improvements. If anyone has contacts in the community who would like to bid on the work or underwrite the work, please contact Ted Frederick (School Board Facilities Committee Chair) or Mrs. Hunt.

Report Cards – Report cards will go home Thursday and an Honors Assembly will be held Friday morning, Jan. 8, at 8:30 am.

School Open Houses – School Open Houses for prospective families will be held Jan 10th from noon – 2 pm and Jan 26th from 7 – 8:30 pm. Mrs. Hunt asked the HSA to provide punch and cookies in the Library for each of these events. She is also looking for parents to attend the Open Houses to answer questions prospective families might have as they tour the school. If you would like to attend one or both of the Open Houses in this role, please contact Mrs. Hunt.

January 19th – This is a Professional Education Day for teachers and the emphasis for this day and upcoming in-service sessions will be on Catholic religious training. A speaker will also meet with teachers on January 26th and Feb. 8th after school. Parents are invited to participate in this after school training.

Kindergarten Night – This event will be held January 21st for all Kindergarten parents.

Science Fair – The Science Fair will be held February 2nd. If you would like to help judge this event, please contact Mrs. Hunt. You would need to be available at about 1 pm that day.

Math and Science Night – This event is scheduled for March 11th at 6:30 pm. All parents and students (grades K – 8) are encouraged to attend.

Mrs. Hunt summarized her comments by saying that it is a VERY busy couple of months. Parents should print these calendar pages from the web site so that they don't miss anything.

Committee Reports – Committee Chairs provided the following reports:

TGIF – Jennifer Cook indicated that TGIF will be held on two Fridays, Jan. 15th and 29th. This enrichment program for grades K – 5 provides hour long classes from 11 am to noon on these Fridays. Jennifer has scheduled all the classes and is now focused on securing parent volunteers to help on these Fridays in the various classrooms. A form went home today for parents to fill out to volunteer. Brooke Soto will organize the volunteers. Please return these forms as soon as possible so that she can begin to assign volunteers to the various classes. Jennifer Cook can be reached at 801-631-3484 or at jentcook@gmail.com if you have further questions.

Ski Program – Teresa Prior indicated that 82 students signed up for the program and they will be split across 2 buses. The program begins January 15th.

Mardi Gras Raffle Baskets – Teresa Prior is also organizing these baskets this year. Wicker baskets are now in each of the classrooms for collecting items for the baskets. Room parents should periodically check these baskets and let parents know what is needed to complete their class baskets. A master list of all the class baskets is now on the web site. The baskets are due the Friday before Mardi Gras (Feb 5th) in the social hall. Room parents should NOT wrap the basket in cellophane, but they do need to provide a typed list of the contents of the basket. Teresa will attach this list to an envelope that will be placed with the basket. If you have any questions, please contact Teresa.

Teachers and Room Parent Reports – None.

New Business –

Mardi Gras – The balance of the meeting was spent discussing Mardi Gras. We are one month away from this most important fundraiser and many volunteers are still needed. The following areas of need were highlighted at the meeting:

Dinner - Dinner will be provided by Mediterranean Market. Mrs. Hunt is seeking a person or business to underwrite the \$3,000 cost of this dinner. A full page ad in the program will be provided for such a donation.

Program Ads – We need people to sell/purchase ads for the program. There are varying sizes, and they don't need to be business related. An ad congratulating a person or class for an achievement would be a great way to highlight an accomplishment.

Set up/Decorations – This is a committee of one person now. If you cannot attend the event, but would like to volunteer, this is an area of great need.

Student Art Projects – While these projects are underway, a volunteer(s) are needed to organize these projects, bring them over to the social hall, and set them up for display.

Art Gallery/Auction Items – New to Mardi Gras this year is an art gallery where parents can simply purchase art (similar to the Art Festival format of previous years). If you know an artist who would like to donate a piece, please contact Mrs. Hunt. The Mardi Gras committee is also still looking for items to be donated for silent or live auction. Again, contact Mrs. Hunt or simply bring the item(s) to the office.

Roulette Wheel – Mrs. Hunt is still seeking to borrow a roulette wheel. If you know someone or an organization that has one, please let Mrs. Hunt know ASAP.

Volunteers – A volunteer form will be sent home shortly seeking help in ALL areas of the Mardi Gras event. Everyone is asked to volunteer in some capacity to make this event a success. The next Mardi Gras meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 7th at 6:15 pm. A final meeting will be scheduled between that meeting and the event itself. Everyone is welcome to come to these meetings to find out where you can help out.

Announcements/Upcoming Events –

- Report cards go home January 7th
- Ski Program starts Jan. 15
- Faculty Lunch - 4th Grade, Friday, 1/15 & yard duty
- Martin Luther King holiday-no school 1/18
- Professional educator and a no school 1/19
- Middle school dance @ Madeleine Choir School 1/22, 6:30 to 9 PM
- Open House 1/10 - 12-2 PM & 1/26 7-8:30 PM
- Progress reports go home 1/28
- Spaghetti Dinner 1/30
- Catholic Schools Week begins 1/31
- Remind parents to turn in T.I.P. sheets monthly
 - download from Parent Info/Volunteer section online

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:20 pm. The next meeting will be held Monday, February 1st at 7:00 pm in the Library.

Prepared by Lori Zuti, HSA Secretary