

H.S.A. Meeting

December 7, 2009

Members in Attendance:

Pastor: absent

Principal: Betsy Hunt

President: absent

Vice President: absent

Secretary: Lori Zuti

Treasurer: Cathy Romero

Past President: Barbara Schmiett

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: absent

Preschool 4's – Wilson: Gini Collins

Kindergarten – Gobar: Hadley Saber

Kindergarten – Lester: Joyce Soprano

First Grade – Aragon: Jennifer Cook

First Grade – Teynor: Kim Vasquez

Second Grade – Weyher: Joel Kittrell

Second Grade – Zuchetto: Heather Simonson

Third Grade: absent

Fourth Grade: Linda Holyoak

Fifth Grade: Wendy Paultet

Sixth Grade: absent

Seventh Grade: Kristi Thompson

Eighth Grade: Jenny Maffuccio

Committee Members: Ski Program – Teresa Prior

Other Attendees: none

Opening – Barb Schmiett led the meeting which began with introductions. She then led everyone in the Opening Prayer. Last month's minutes were approved by Cathy Romero and seconded by Linda Holyoak.

Old Business – Committee Chair provided these reports:

Trivia Night – Gini Collins reported that the evening was a success. There were 14 tables of participants and the event raised about \$1,200 for the school.

Innisbrook – Jenny Maffuccio clarified that while the raw statistics indicate that 209/389 students participated in the fundraiser (approx. 54%), that statistic reflects “families” in the 209, not individual students. Families submitted packets which she then split across the classes manually. She estimates that the percentage of participation is closer to 60 – 65%. Families can continue to purchase from Innisbrook throughout the year and the school will earn 50% of these purchases. Meeting attendees indicated that shipments from Innisbrook come VERY quickly (2 – 4 days) so there is plenty of time to shop from them for Christmas.

Principal’s Report – Mrs. Hunt provided the following information:

Gym Lighting – Mrs. Hunt is concerned about the lighting fixtures in the gym as some of the lights are broken or bent from balls hitting them. She is in the process of getting bids to replace the lighting fixtures in the gym to improve safety and provide consistency in the lighting. In order to replace the lights, the gym may need to be closed while the work is done. Hopefully, this can be done over the Christmas break, but it may be an inconvenience for those using the gym for practices.

Gym Kitchen – Mrs. Hunt is also seeking bids to renovate the gym kitchen 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, but she’ll provide more information about funding the project after she receives the bids.

Preschool Safety – Someone called the Diocese to report that they believed the preschool was not up to code and unsafe. Mrs. Hunt arranged for the Utah Fire Marshall to inspect the preschool along with the rest of the school building. The Marshall prepared a report indicating that the preschool met ALL code requirements and was very safe. In fact, since that area of the building is equipped with sprinklers, it is safer than other parts of the school. Some minor violations were reported for other parts of the school (like too many items being plugged into a power strip), and Mrs. Hunt will be working to correct those items.

Mrs. Hunt also indicated that she will be seeking NAYEC accreditation for the preschool. More information is currently being sent home regarding lessons plans.

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.

School Communication – Kim Marron, the school secretary, will be sending home a weekly email each Friday with reminders.

Bake Sale/Free Dress – A bake sale to support the Road Home project will be held Thursday, Dec. 10th. In addition to the items collected for the Road Home, the school also likes to send along a check from money raised at the bake sale and free dress days.

On December 18th, students can wear free dress top if they bring an item for this charity, and free dress bottom if they bring \$2.

Catholic In Service Training – Mrs. Hunt is arranging for in service religious training for teachers.

Class Art Projects – Room parents and teachers from grades 4 – 8 will meet with our art teacher, Nedda Oswald, to decide on each of these class art projects. Nedda will design the projects based on the art skills of the students in the class. Room parents will be required to provide additional help and resources as needed. For grades K – 3, the Room Parents and teacher will need to design and produce the art project. Teachers will be contacting all Room Parents before the Christmas break to ensure these projects are underway.

Mardi Gras Baskets – Room Parents are responsible for making 2 Mardi Gras Raffle Baskets per grade K- 8 (preschool does one for the 3's and one for the 4's). The 2 year olds do not need to prepare a basket. Mrs. Hunt provided a list of themes suggested by the teachers, but Room Parents need to follow up with their teachers and make a final determination of their class basket themes. Teresa Prior volunteered to organize this effort this year (thank you!) and will be sending additional information to Room Parents about details and deadlines. Room Parents should notify their classes of the basket themes so that parents can shop for needed items over the holidays.

Teacher Gifts – Parents who wish to give teachers a monetary gift this year are encouraged to purchase a scrip certificate. These certificates (for any amount) can be purchased at the scrip table and exchanged by the teacher for ANY of the scrip the school sells. However, it is not required to give a monetary gift and in fact, a note or artwork from your child would be ideal. The HSA will be giving each teacher a scrip certificate just prior to the holidays to thank them for their efforts throughout the year.

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 is in the process of securing instructors for approximately 30 classes that will be offered over the 2 days. If you or someone you know might be interested in teaching a one hour class, please contact Jennifer immediately. She especially needs instructors for the younger kids. A small stipend is offered to each instructor. In addition to the instructors, Room Parents from grades K – 5 need to secure at least two parents to assist the instructors on each of these Fridays. Jennifer Cook can be reached at 801-631-3484 or at jentcook@gmail.com.

Mardi Gras – Mrs. Hunt reported that the food this year will come from the Mediterranean Market. Solicitations are going well. An Art Gallery is being added to Mardi Gras this year offering art for sale. Mrs. Hunt would like to borrow a roulette wheel for Mardi Gras. If anyone knows of an organization that owns one, please let Mrs. Hunt know.

Cookbook – Robin Harmstrom is developing the Community Cookbook and it will be offered for sale soon. The cookbook will cost \$20 and it will make a wonderful holiday gift.

Christmas Trees – A total of 34 trees were sold this year and raised approximately \$680.

Teachers and Room Parent Reports – None.

New Business –

Christmas Program DVD – Dan Clyne provided information about what it would cost to secure a professional to prepare a DVD of the annual Christmas program which we could then sell to families for a modest profit. This would allow families to enjoy the program rather than jockeying for position or crawling up the aisles during the program. Attendees felt this would be something they'd be interested in purchasing. The DVD would be offered for approximately \$15 and would be available before school ended for Christmas break (nice Christmas gift for a grandparent?) Dan will arrange for this individual to come to the school and meet with Mr. Asman and Mr. Huntzinger to determine where two cameras could be placed. More information will be announced prior to the program.

Ski Program – Teresa Prior announced that the ski program will begin Friday, January 15th for grades 3 – 8. The price (\$235) remains the same as last year and includes both transportation and instruction. Forms and flyers that detail the program are available on the web site. *Forms are due December 18th.*

HSA Board Positions – The Secretary position will need a new volunteer next year. If you are interested in serving in this role, contact Dan. Also, if someone is interested in serving as Treasurer, Cathy will train them. Other committee chair positions will also become available next year. If you are interested in getting more involved, please talk with Dan about all the opportunities for next year.

Announcements/Upcoming Events –

- Ski Program forms due Dec. 18th and starts Jan. 15th
- Remind parents to turn in T.I.P. sheets monthly; form available online
- All School Mass – Tuesday, Dec. 8th, 9 AM
- Christmas Program Wednesday, Dec. 16th @ 7 pm in the Church
- Faculty Lunch – 5th Grade on 12/18 and yard duty
- Dismissal at 12:15 pm on Tuesday, Dec. 22nd and Q2 ends
- Christmas Break – Dec. 23rd – Jan. 3rd; classes resume Jan. 4th

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:20 pm. The next meeting will be held Monday, January 4th at 7:00 pm in the Library.

Prepared by Lori Zuti, HSA Secretary