H.S.A. Meeting
February 1, 2010

Members in Attendance:

Pastor: absent
Principal: Betsy Hunt
President: Dan Clyne
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: absent
Preschool 3's - Evans: Angela Petrogeorge
Preschool 3's – Wilson: absent
Preschool 4's – Evans: absent
Preschool 4's – Wilson: Maura Carabello
Kindergarten – Gobar: Lee Saber
Kindergarten – Lester: Joyce Soprano
First Grade – Aragon: absent
First Grade – Teynor: Jenny Sherman
Second Grade – Weyher: Nicole Hall
Second Grade – Zuchetto: Brooke Soto
Third Grade: Lee Cotter
Fourth Grade: absent
Fifth Grade: Ali Brusa
Sixth Grade: absent
Seventh Grade: Anthony Oliver
Eighth Grade: Lisa Louie

Committee Members: none

Other Attendees: none

Opening – Dan Clyne opened the meeting with a prayer and introductions. Last month's minutes were approved by Brooke Soto and seconded by Lisa Louie.

Old Business – Committee Chairs provided these reports:

HSA Chair Positions – Several Committee Chair positions need to be filled for the coming year. The web site has a current list of chairs and a notation regarding which ones will need to be filled for the coming year. Dan highlighted Corporate Incentives, Participation Tracking, Mentor Program, and Teacher Appreciation as examples. If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more about (or taking on) these chair positions, please contact Dan Clyne.

HSA Board Positions – Dan also indicated that the HSA is seeking a Vice President for the coming year. This role requires a 3 year commitment to the HSA Board first filling the Vice President role, then the President role, and finally the Past President role. This ensures continuity of knowledge and leadership on the Board. The Secretary role also needs to be filled as Lori Zuti is stepping down after 3 years. Again, if you have an interest in either of these roles, contact Dan.

TGIF – TGIF experienced another successful year! Thanks to Jennifer Cook, Brooke Soto, and all the volunteers and instructors who participated on these 2 Fridays. The event also came in under budget. Jennifer Cook agreed to lead this effort next year, but she is seeking 2-3 committee members to assist her with planning and execution. If you are interested in helping Jennifer next year, please let her know *now*!

Open Houses – Mrs. Hunt indicated that both school Open Houses were a success and she thanked the HSA for providing light refreshments. There was a great deal of interest in the lower grades and a good turnout overall. We do not have a lot of openings in the school, but we will accept applications as we plan for the coming school year.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Hunt passed out a one page information sheet where she highlighted the following:

Valentine's Day – Classes will have a "healthy party" beginning at 11:15 am on February 12th. Room Reps. should work with their teachers to plan this event.

Fat Tuesday Bingo – Students will play Bingo on February 16th in the gym. Room Reps. should NOT provide snacks or drinks (bingo bags) this year. Students will play bingo and Mrs. Hunt will offer prizes for winning bingo cards.

Stations of the Cross – This will take place March 19th and 31st at 11 am.

Confession – This will take place March 9th and 10th during school.

Computer Safety – Students will participate in computer safety training on February 26th.

Fourth Grade Hosts Mass – The fourth grade will host the 11 am Mass on Sunday, February 21st (instead of Feb. 7th) due to Mardi Gras event on Feb. 6th.

Science Fair – These projects can be viewed after the 9 am Mass on February 3rd.

Catholic Schools Week Guests – A judge came and spoke with the 8th grade about the dividends of Catholic education. Sisters from the diocese will also come this week to talk with the lower grades.

Mardi Gras – Please personally ask guests to attend the Mardi Gras event and plan to arrive as close to 6 pm as possible.

Parent Teacher Conferences – Conferences will be held Feb. 24th from 4 – 8 pm and Feb. 25th from 12:45 – 8 pm. These are important meetings with the teachers and should not be considered optional. Please plan to attend.

2010 – 2011 School Calendar – This calendar will be in the Principal's letter this week.

In Service Presentations – David Holladay will speak again on February 8th at 3:30 pm. Parents are welcome to attend all teacher in service training. Another presentation will be held on February 19th from 12:45 – 3 pm focusing on Early Childhood Education.

Mardi Gras – Class projects will be auctioned in a slightly different manner. Each will have a "buy it now" price of $3,000 along with a silent auction bidding sheet. When the live auction begins, the bidding for these project will begin at the highest silent bid amount if was not already purchased for $3,000. There will also be an art gallery section set up similar to the Arts Festival of previous years. Attendees can simply purchase art at the listed price – no bidding required. There will be no horse racing or bingo this year.

Spaghetti Dinner – Over 500 people attended and extra tables needed to be set up to accommodate everyone. The DJ was excellent and everyone declared it a success.

Scrip – Everyone needs to continue to support the scrip program this year. If everyone can get into the habit of buying scrip, we won't need to do as many time and energy consuming fund raisers we do now.

Committee Reports – Committee Chairs provided the following reports:

Innisbrook – Jenny Maffuccio brought a check for $2,421 from internet sales of Innisbrook items since Fall. The school continues to earn 50% of the sales of Innisbrook throughout the year as long as our school code is included on the order. Please take a look at their web site for Spring items. Jenny indicated that she will train Chanteel Ballard to take over her lead role in the Fall.

Teachers and Room Parent Reports – None.

New Business –

Jump Rope for Heart – Lori Zuti indicated that this event will be March 1 – 5. However, instead of issuing every student a jump rope, Mr. Allen will hold a "Jump Rope Olympics" event during gym classes that week. Students will compete with others in their class in 3 – 4 jumping events. Lori will be contacting Room Reps. to secure volunteers to help during each gym class. This event generates money for the American Heart Association. Students who bring in $5 will be able to add their name and the name

of someone affected by heart disease to a "Wall of Honor" on 2 cardboard hearts. This Wall of Honor will be right out side the gym. More detail will be forthcoming.

Announcements/Upcoming Events –

- Catholic Schools' Week 1/31-2/6
- Science Fair Feb. 2 in the Social Hall
- All school mass Feb. 3, 9:00 AM & Parent Lunch, 11:00 AM
- Mardi Gras Feb. 6
- Fourth Grade hosting 11 AM mass Feb. 7
- Class pictures Feb. 9
- Middle School Dance Feb. 12 @ Blessed Sacrament, 6:30 - 9:00 PM
- Presidents' Day Feb. 15 - no school
- All school mass for Ash Wednesday Feb. 17, 9:00 AM
- Faculty Lunch - 3rd Grade, Friday, 2/19 & yard duty
- Parent/Teacher Conferences: Feb. 24, 4-8 PM & Feb. 25, 12:15-8 PM w/12:15 dismissal
- Diocesan Science Fair Feb. 27
- Remind parents to turn in T.I.P. sheets monthly

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

Prepared by Lori Zuti, HSA Secretary