

Minutes from Home and School Meeting – March 10, 2010

1. Meeting called to order at 6:35 by Curt Blaszczyk with 13 attendees present. Paula Mayer led the meeting with a prayer
2. **Secretary's Report:** Curt Blaszczyk announced that Sheri Depies has resigned as Secretary so there is an opening. We will elect a new Secretary at the next meeting along with President and Treasurer. Jenny Hurias accepted the minutes; seconded by Amy Bares.
3. **Principals Report and Teachers Report:** Due to the date of the meeting changing Dr. Erickson was unable to attend. Mrs. Rita Schmid was present to represent the Principal and Teachers. Iowa testing is underway and will continue into next week. The school is going to Sheppard of the Hills next Tuesday and we may need about 10 chaperones to drive. The 6th grade will be going to the Chicago museum on 5/14. We had some guest readers from the Kohler Arts Center last week. Registration is waiting for final budget approval, but should be ready in April. The teachers are working on putting together their auction items. Rita will need a list from Amy listing our auction items so Rita can post them on our website.
4. **Budget Report:** Curt Blaszczyk reviewed the budget to date and at this point we are \$4582 behind budget with only two events left this year; the plant sale and Memorial Day brat fry. We need to continue to push and support our other continuous events like Scrip, Good Search, and Market Day, etc. Cheese/candle sale came in \$1,676 over budget, mainly due to the generosity of Cedar Valley and the Five Pillars.
5. **Committee Report:** Paula Mayer read an email from David Mayer that stated the budget as proposed has been accepted and will be recommended by the Parish Finance Committee. No changes in staffing or classroom composition planned or expected for next year.
6. **Old Business:** We sold 31 bucks tickets which will result in \$310 coming to OLL. Ice Bowling was successful especially for our first year. Rich and Jenny will coordinate the event next year again, but need more help. We are going to work on getting more donations for food (possibly from Costco, contact Megan Sa 262.204.1050), and increase our advertisement. Home Depot indicated they are more than willing to help with future projects and would help with supervision and bring needed tools. We are planning on adding more lanes so we can accommodate more teams. Hopefully we can pull in teams from the various fire departments (IE: Silver Creek, Batavia, etc). We also hope to add a Kids bowling event on the Sunday following the event right after church. Robin Sanderson was pleased to report that we hit budget on the Catholic Schools Brat Fry this year and she will help coordinate the event again next year. It was suggested that we contact Cedar Valley to see if Cedar Crest would donate ice cream next year. Shake the Flakes was a huge success and Lori Bichler said that Mark and her are working on ideas for next year already. Robin Sanderson volunteered to handle the milk cap process.
7. **New Business:** Curt Blaszczyk will follow up with Sarah Wallner to make sure everything is set for the upcoming plant sale. Cory Davis shared that the auction invitations have been mailed. Last year 120 people attended. This year we would like to reach 150 +. Please recruit and/or bring your family members, friends, neighbors, etc. To date, we have 11 major items for the oral auction and over 100 items for the booklet. Help is needed for set up on Friday afternoon, April 16th. Grandparents Day is a Tuesday this year and a few people expressed their concern about the Tuesday because it is harder for Grandparents to attend and parents to help out. Paula was going to contact Dr Erickson to see if there is any possibility of changing the date to a Friday. Curt mentioned that at the next meeting there would be elections for President, Treasurer and Secretary. Stacy Bichler was nominated for Secretary and accepted. Curt also discussed the upcoming Parish Council elections and urged people to consider running or nominate someone they feel would be a positive presence on the council to represent our school. Next year's calendar sale was discussed and everyone agreed that each family would be required to sell 20. This requirement should be included in the school registration packets. Curt will write up a notice for our website for people looking for the football raffle. Curt reviewed a preliminary budget for next year and solicited buy in from the coordinates of each event. Those present agreed with the budget as presented. Jenny Hurias agreed to coordinate a Tailgate Party in September as long as she gets help. Paula mentioned a new fundraiser call "coupons for education" that will be happening in the next few weeks and a contest for technology.
8. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.