

St. Patrick Home & School Association

Board Meeting
November 10, 2010

Time: 7:35 p.m.

In Attendance

Dr. Marian Hobbie	Maureen Pridham	Mary Fran Guido
Susan Hadley	Jen Shaw	Catharine Bruzzese
Allison Nash	Michelle Lowe	Missy Dangler
Kathleen Townsend	Diane Seibert	Andrea Maloney

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER (Sue Hadley)

Sue called the meeting to order with prayer.

II. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (Dr. Marian Hobbie)

- (A) The music curriculum is progressing with the inclusion of movement through music. Recorders will start in 2nd grade this year. Art classes include vocabulary of art and great success continues. Computer classes are using different software. The Middle School will learn computer research skills. The writing road map contract has been renewed and provides excellent drills of writing for sentence structure and grammar for 4-8th grade. Teachers continue implementing the newly adopted math and language arts curriculum. 4th Grade will complete the study of fractions by year-end.
- (B) The 8th graders continue interacting with the lower grades at lunch and recess. This new implementation helps the older students develop their leadership skills and provides some structured activities for the younger students at recess.
- (C) The Middle School will celebrate the end of the 1st marking period with bagels and juice of Friday, November 12.
- (D) The Middle School has an opportunity to see the play *Wicked* in January. There is 100% participation. The 6th grade will be viewing the King Tut exhibit.
- (E) Open House flyers have been sent to parish families of Corpus Christi, Christ the King, and St. Theresa's.
- (F) The new school safety drills will start in January and will be coded appropriately. All safety information for the 5 buildings will be documented in a booklet for reference. John Gallagher is working on installing the buzzer system for the school building.
- (G) Work continues with the diocese and principals in developing diocesan mission statement and goals and incorporating them with our school's mission. Dr. Hobbie is a member of the Diocesan Education Council.

III. PASTOR'S REPORT (Father Robert Mitchell)

- (A) Not Present.

IV. OFFICERS' REPORTS

(A) PRESIDENT REPORT (Sue Hadley and Allison Nash)

1. The New Family Open House is scheduled for Thursday, November 11, from 9am – 11am.
2. A shopping fundraiser will take place at Sages Pages December 5-11. Customers will not be charged tax. St. Pat's will receive 5% of each sale. Sales must be rung up as "St. Pat's Fundraiser".
3. A winter family social is scheduled for February 25 more details to follow.
4. A bowling fundraiser for the students is being researched and will take place on a half-day. Research for dining fundraisers at local restaurants continues.
5. In October the H.S.A. received a note from St. Vincent Martyr expressing their thoughts and prayers are with us during the month of October.
6. Turnover Reports:

Fall Fundraiser – Kathleen Townsend reported the wrapping paper is scheduled for delivery on Monday, November 15. Profits are just under \$19,000 and approximately 24 families are still outstanding. Kathleen stated residual sales would help reach our target. Jump-for-George will take place Friday evening at Spirit Night and provides the top ten sellers a chance to compete for gifts.

5K – On behalf of Karen Wittmer, Allison reported the 5K raised approximately \$16,000. H.S.A. will receive half of the profits. Over 700 runners participated. Allison acknowledged the hard work and dedication of Karen Wittmer and Jim Connelly.

- (B) **VICE PRESIDENT REPORT** (Open)
No Report.
- (C) **TREASURER REPORT** (Diane Seibert)
There is approximately \$50,000 in checking and \$128,000 in the money market account.
- (D) **SECRETARY REPORT** (Holly Gilligan)
On behalf of the H.S.A., a mass card has been sent to Mrs. Stewart on the death of her father.

V. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- (A) **BASKET BONANZA** (Michelle Lowe)
The theme this year is “Rock of Ages”. The committee is currently seeking sub-committee chairs. The format of the evening will remain the same, with the possible inclusion of more interactive games like “heads and tails”.
- (B) **HOT LUNCH** (Andrea Maloney)
For tracking purposes, payments must include the meal ticket reorder form which can be found on the school website. One check per family is allowed. Children will receive a stamp on their hand when their meal ticket is running low and Kindergartners will receive a letter. The pretzel machine and warmer have been installed.
- (C) **GREEN QUILL** (Catharine Bruzzese)
Deadline for the next issue is November 19. Each class will be showcased in December’s publication. There is no *Green Quill* in January. Cathy stressed the importance of the school website containing specific information on each class under the class pages and the importance of timely posted updates. The website is an important marketing tool for prospective families.
- (D) **LUNCH DUTY** (Maureen Howard)
Not Present. Dr. Hobbie stressed the importance of on time arrivals. Phone calls are placed to individuals who are not present.
- (E) **CLASS CAPTAINS** (Suzanne Hamilton)
Not present.
- (F) **MARKET DAY** (Leslie Pierce)
Not present.
- (G) **PROGRAMS** (Missy Dangler)
The nutrition program will take place Friday, November 12 for Pre-K through 4th grade.
- (H) **PUBLICITY** (Mary Fran Guido)
Six articles have been submitted. The *Madison-Chatham Weekly* published the volleyball team photo. An all-team basketball photo will be taken at Spirit Night for the *Madison-Chatham Weekly*. Articles on the Saint Project and the Baby Shower Outreach have been sent to the *Beacon*.

- (I) **FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE** (Maureen Pridham)
The faculty continues working together to ensure the new math and language arts curriculum flows cohesively from grade to grade. PreK through 2nd grade are getting ready for their Thanksgiving Feasts.

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

ADJOURNED: 8:59 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted by Holly Gilligan