

PTO Meeting

September 12, 2019 6:30 p.m.

Executive Board: Nancy Hood, President
Rene Callahan, Vice President
Holly Lauter, Treasurer
Susie Brown, Treasurer Elect
Noreen Tumbarello, Secretary

50 attendees

Opening Prayer: Led by Nancy Hood

Principal's Report: Mrs. Hoormann

The new phone system is still being worked on.

The DARE program is being discontinued by St. Louis County. Police are considering extending it one more year. If anyone knows someone in government who could influence bringing back the program please contact Mrs. Hoormann.

Mary McKelvey will ask where she teaches, because they still have the DARE program. Someone suggested contacting Ryan Ledbetter.

Mrs. Hoormann will start working on hiring a new Spanish teacher for next year after the first quarter of the school year is over. Right now the 5th through 8th grades are working with online tutorials. They may be able to offer the tutorials to the 4th grade. Mrs. Hoormann will speak to someone about an after school Spanish program.

Iowa testing is the week of September 16, 2019. Make sure children are at school by 8:00 a.m. and have a good breakfast.

The children really enjoy Pizza with the Padre. The children will eat this year in the gym foyer. They can buy pizza or bring their own lunch.

8th grade is going to Springfield for their field trip. They are excited about it. PTO will help with the cost.

Kickball Tournament. Only 4 teams registered. CPOP news to send out information about kickball signups. Children can sign up as individuals. No team needed. Nancy Hood explained Marygrove houses and supports children from troubled families.

Faculty Report: Cindy Fichter

This summer Mrs. Fichter and the teachers were able to attend regional meetings. They were able to exchange ideas with teachers who taught similar grades.

BrainPOP and BrainPOP Junior are videos to introduce a topic to students. Mrs. Fichter showed a video to explain types of sentences as an example. It is used for different subjects and themes. The children can also take quizzes on the topics.

Discovery Education is a program that has a large amount of information the teachers can use. The online program helps to teach the children about current events and many other topics. The teachers can use Discovery Education as a resource for example the Missouri state standards in math and grammar.

Budget: Holly Lauter

Holly has comparison sheet for 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.

Larger total expenses in 2018-2019 due to donation for new gym air conditioner.

Total income for 2019-2020 is budgeted for \$14,966.82.

Total expenses for 2019-2020 is budgeted for \$22,195.00.

Fundraising line in budget combines events such as Restaurant Nights, Schnucks E Script, Amazon Smile, Box Tops, Cha Boutique, Shoparoo.

Raising Canes restaurant night brought in \$315.

2018-2019 Eighth grade donated \$591 from money they had left over.

There is no trivia night this year.

Carnival will be in April 2020.

President Report: Nancy Hood

There is a lot more money going out than coming in according to the budget. We have to continue to fund raise.

New parent attendance raffle. Jewelry won by Julia Lembeck. Jewelry donated by Maggie Matusofsky. Spirit cart prize won by Tim Lanfersieck.

Nancy has Logo note cards if anyone needs to send a thank you or a note regarding a fundraiser or event.

Monika sent home Pizza with Padre forms. Father Chris has lunch with individual grades throughout the year.

DOT cards are still for sale.

Cha Boutique fundraiser, watch for the date.

Julie Smith is a speaker who will be at school on October 1, 2019. She will speak on the kids use of social media. She is an entertaining, positive speaker. She has been on KSDK recently. She is a professor at Webster University. Please invite friends and family.

Open house for school is October 6, 2019. Open to the entire parish, there will be donuts provided in the cafeteria after the 9:45 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. masses.

Before the next PTO meeting on November 13, 2019 there will be a Yoga instructor.

There is a great need for co chairs to fundraisers and events. Need co chairs to shadow the chairs so the event or fundraiser can be taken over next year or in the next few years.

Oktoberfest: Regina Crook

October 12, 2019

Middle school and adult volunteers needed.

Parents can drop off children at the Kinder Corner to play games. Can pre purchase arm bands for \$8.

Trunk or Treat: Chair is Julie Schlichting

October 19, 2019 (rain date 10/26/19)

Yearbook: Jen Danker

Need photos. Don't have to be good at taking photos just take them with your phone. Let Jen or Megan Wolak know if you will be at an event and can take photos. Please take pictures of your sports teams and kickball teams. Jen will send out a link to send in photos.

Carnival: Jen Danker

Chaired by Jen and Julie Selkirk

April 25, 2020, one night only

There will be an organizing meeting on September 26, 2019. Anyone is welcome. Please consider joining.

TWB: Julie Purschke

Thank you to Elena Saur for organizing the online gift cards. Last year they were working some days for 4 hours to earn \$20 for school. This year the program should make more money with online ordering. You can order gifts cards online and send a check to school, use your credit card, or have money deducted from your bank account. The blue envelopes that come home for the TWB will be phased out. Orders will be filled every two weeks. Trying to keep gift card inventory low. The gift card inventory is locked in a safe in the office. Last year TWB made \$3,400. We should be able to make more money this year with online orders. Someone asked if we could send the online ordering information to the parish or family members. The link can be sent to family members only if they order the online cards. Julie has tried to sell the gift cards to the parish in the past. It was hard to get volunteers. Julie will look into if we will continue to be able to purchase gift cards to local businesses when the blue envelopes are discontinued.

Ministry: Chair Beth McCarthy

Reconciliation for parents after the 8:00 a.m. mass on September 27, 2019.

Fundraising: Ashlee Walsh

Will try to have a fundraiser once per month. Try to have a restaurant night every other month.

Please download the Box Tops app to scan your receipts and continue to clip the Box Tops and send them in. We can do both right now. \$13.00 has been raised so far this year.

Happy Birthday Jesus: Erin O'Keefe

December 14, 2019

Invite friends and family. There will be pictures with Santa, crafts, games. Middle school children can volunteer.

Attendance prize of jewelry won by Jen Danker.