

-Holy Name of Jesus School

PTO Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2022

I. Welcome/ Opening Prayer

II. Principal's Remarks

- Sister Rita thanked the PTO for the bagels from the Teacher Appreciation Committee for the month of February and for organizing the February Restaurant Night fundraiser

III. Financial Update

- Angela Hocking (Treasurer) presented the financial update. The checking account beginning balance for February 1, 2022 was \$2,520. For the month ending, February 28, 2022, the balance in the PTO checking account is \$2,311. The only noteworthy transaction this month was \$200 paid out to Kauffman BBQ for deposit.
- January 2022 Balance in PTO Savings account is \$38,357 (because of timing of statements for this account, we are always reporting a month behind at the meetings, for this account)

IV. Updates

5 Below Fundraiser

- Waiting to hear back from Kate O'Leary on amount made from December fundraiser (she is on vacation). Jenn Hotsko will reach out again. We need to set up the April Fundraiser at *5 Below*. The plan is to run it from April 3-9th.

Restaurant Night

- per Kate Theberge, we raised \$650 from the February Restaurant night at *Fabio's*. They were very generous and gave us a percentage of all customers that night, regardless of whether they were from our school or not.

V. Teacher Appreciation Committee

- February – Bagel Tray for teachers was well received. The teachers loved the bagels that were from Giant. Sara Musti ordered them and was very pleased with the price and the presentation of them – next year it was agreed that the small bagels are a good choice.
- March – Jenn Hotsko and Sara Musti will take care of item for this month
- April – Sara Musti has a plan for this month in mind

- Secretary's Day April 27th – Discussed options for gifts
- May – discussed Teacher Appreciation Day lunch on May 3

VI. Cash Calendar

- Jenn Weiss reported that she has created the April Cash Calendar and the cash payouts will total \$3,000. The information has already been posted in the church bulletin and Jen Jablonski will get flyers to the office to be sent home with students. We will be selling calendars after Masses on March 12 & 13.

VII. Canned Food Drive

- We will need baskets and *Giant* Gift cards.
- The drive will take place the week of March 28th and we need parent volunteers to supervise the 8th graders collecting the cans from the students in the morning.
- The class that brings in the most (using percentages based on size of classes) will receive an ice cream treat

VIII. Egg Hunt

- Options for bringing back the annual Egg Hunt were discussed. Most agreed that rather than one big egg hunt done by the PTO, it would be best to go back to Egg Hunts during school for each class, arranged by parent volunteers. It would be difficult to have the event outside of the school day before Easter and having all age groups together for one hunt can cause issues.
- Sister Rita will discuss having separate grade egg hunts during school day with the teachers and let us know. The egg hunts would only be for Kindergarten through 3rd grade.

IX. Movie Night/Food Trucks – May 20th

- Movie/License - Cost for the license to the movie, “The Sand Lot” is \$615. Sara Musti has a copy of the movie to save on the cost of actually buying the DVD.
- Currently no rain date, but Jenn Hotsko will look into seeing if there is an additional charge for the license if we would delay the date for the showing of it
- Popcorn/Cotton Candy – Tara Benkovic volunteered to set up the PTO popcorn machine and pop the corn. Jen Jablonski will arrange the rental of the cotton candy machine from Ace Hardware and Cheryl Kalinoski will run the machine.
- Food Trucks – Tara Koch has already booked “The Kitchen Table” food truck and the Milkshake truck and will be looking into others as well. We discussed

opening the Food Trucks at 6pm and Starting the movie sometime between 7:30 and 8pm.

- Basket Raffle – Sister Rita proposed the idea of having a basket raffle inside during Movie Night, with proceeds to benefit the school. This had been discussed with the teachers and they were willing to run it. The PTO was OK with the idea if they are able to do it.
- Red Carpet – will probably order a red carpet on Amazon as part of décor and possibly a balloon decoration or something else for photo ops.

X. Chicken BBQ

- A \$200 deposit has been paid to *Kauffman's*
- Will use 7th grade helpers again this year (they will receive Confirmation hours if they volunteer)

XI. Officers for Next Year

- We appear to have at least one person interested for each of the positions that will be open next year. All nominations will be considered and an election will take place at a future meeting (probably April)

XII. Miscellaneous

- Jenn Jablonski inquired about future dates for the 8th graders to have a chance to wear their class t-shirts
- Sara Musti suggested a “Stall Day” fundraiser such as the one done at McDevitt
- Cheryl Kalinoski requested a dance for the 8th graders. Due to Covid, they have not been able to experience a dance at HNJ and would like the opportunity to attend one before they graduate.