

SS Peter and Paul Home and School

Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2020

The meeting was opened by President Janell Drummond and the group came together in prayer.

Secretary's Report

Agenda was prepared by Secretary Risa Venable. Meeting minutes from 1/7/20 (prepared by previous secretary Dannah Nichols) were reviewed. Jessica White approved the minutes and Lauren Cowherd seconded.

Treasurer's Report

Report was given by Treasurer Suzann Richerson. A detailed report was shared over email prior to meeting. There is currently a balance of \$142,187.21 in the Boone County account. So far this school year, money has been paid out for Parish installment, Fund-a-Need STEM materials, Grandparent's Day project, and new teacher welcome baskets. Treasurer's report was approved by Heather Rapp and seconded by Candace Viertel.

Principal's Report

Principal Alan Lammers gave report. He thanked parents and teachers for getting the school year off to a great start. He wants to keep communication open with all school families, so if there is something you have a question about do not hesitate to ask. He asks parents continue to stay positive with their kids as well as continue good health practices.

With Volleyball starting this week, Mr. Lammers reported the games will be livestreamed via the school Facebook page. First game is Thursday 9/10/20 starting at 5:30pm. It will also be 8th grade parent night. There will be no concessions and no admission fee.

Old Business

Janell shared the school has a \$324 Scholastic credit remaining from last year's Book Fair. This money is available for teachers to use to help with classroom libraries/instructional materials.

The Carnival and Chili Supper netted \$2,361 this past year.

Home and School Auction (held 2/22/20) raised right around \$75,000, with \$8,000 of that total designated for Fund-A-Need STEM materials for classrooms. Teachers can write fund requests at anytime with proposals to utilize this money. Allison Frederick is the Auction committee liaison to Home and School regarding fund-a-need STEM materials. The committee is already discussing multiple possible format options for this school year.

Teacher Appreciation Week gifts consisted of a single gift packet to each teacher rather than gifts each day. Teachers were greatly appreciative of the \$100 Wal-Mart gift cards they received.

The 2020-21 School Year Theme is Nautical. This is based off the Hebrews 6:19 verse "Hope is the anchor of my soul."

New teachers were provided welcome baskets from Home and School containing card, shirt, tumbler, candies, etc.

New officers were elected at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Suzann Richerson and Shannon Griffy were re-elected to the treasurer and vice president roles. Risa Venable was elected to serve a 1-year term as the previous secretary no longer has children at SSPP.

New Business

Heather Rapp proposed a Pura Vida bracelet fundraiser in replace of the Bean Bag Tournament for this year. Bracelets can be bought from the company for \$3 apiece and sold for \$10. If the school sold 250 bracelets at \$7 profit each, the fundraiser could net \$1,750. Heather will get with Janell to put together a flier. Fundraiser will be held prior to Christmas to allow for bracelets to be stocking stuffers. Mr. Lammers reported the bracelets could be worn to school barring they are not a distraction.

Mandy Eichelberger proposed a cookbook fundraiser with parish-wide entries. This fundraiser would also be completed prior to Christmas to allow for book purchase for Christmas presents. There was an idea to get businesses to sponsor portions of the book to help with printing costs in return for advertising. A recipe card may be sent home with grandparent's day gifts to elicit recipes from grandparent as well.

The Fine Arts department has \$7,904.00 built into the budget from a couple years ago. The new music teacher, Mrs. Helen Rothfuss, has proposed the purchase of new percussion instruments for the music room. These instruments would mainly be used for grades 1-8, with some exposure at the Pre-K/Kindergarten levels as well. Instruments will be purchased after further reviewing best options.

Grandparent's Day will not be held in person this year due to COVID-19. Instead, students will complete a tea towel art project as a gift to provide their grandparents. Mrs. Celeste Bowman, Art teacher, is helping to coordinate art project completion starting Wednesday 9/9/20.

Wrapping Paper Sales is underway. Forms and money are due back to school Monday 9/14/20. Suzann reported the school makes more money off the catalog sales over on-line sales. First round of prizes go out to the students tomorrow.

Breakfast with a Buddy is put on hold for now, with hopes to be able to have one later in the year.

Spirit Committee has been busy. Spirit Wear order forms have been shared on the SSPP Home and School Association FB page as well as through e-mail. There is a firm deadline for ordering, Sept 16th. Athlete lockers have been decorated. Pink-out Volleyball game has been scheduled for 10/1/20. Money from T-shirt sales will be donated to Mrs. Connie Lawson to help support her in her battle against cancer. T-shirts for the athletes were purchased by our generous sponsors, Finish Line Collision Repair of Blackwater, MO. Spirit Squad dance team is on hold for now.

Long-Range Planning committee (Mandy Eichelberger, Logan Comegys, Brent Drummond, Richard Woodson, and Lindsey Murphy) had a couple meetings prior to COVID. They are starting by reviewing

by-laws and making suggestions for updates/revisions. With the unprecedented times, they suggest leaving funds where they are right now and re-evaluate after COVID.

Box Tops goal for this year is \$1,000. Last year, the school was able to raise \$575 during the shortened year.

Next meeting is Thursday, Nov. 5th @ 6:30pm (NOTE: Some meeting this year will be held on Tuesdays and others on Thursdays in hopes to improve attendance).

The meeting was ended in Prayer (Glory Be)