

## **SS Peter and Paul Home and School**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**April 6, 2021 6:30pm**

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

#### **Secretary's Report**

Tonight's agenda and previous meeting minutes were prepared by Secretary Risa Venable, emailed out prior to the meeting, and available at the meeting. Lauren Cowherd motioned to approve the 1/7/21 minutes and Anecita Alvizo seconded.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Report was given by Treasurer Suzann Richerson. Actual Financials were shared by paper copy at the meeting. There is currently a balance of \$194,956.21 in the Boone County account. Money has gone out for CSW week, parish installment, and Flo's retirement gift.

Treasurer's report was approved by Mandy Eichelberger and seconded by Shelly Schuster.

#### **Principal's Report**

We have been blessed not to have any staff or students quarantined since January. The school will continue with masking protocols for the duration of the school year. The ultimate goal is to keep teachers and students in seats.

Field Day will be held with slight adjustments. There will be a relatively "normal" 8th grade graduation. At the April staff meeting, decisions will be made regarding the end of the year program and picnics.

Reminder that completion of the Safe Environment training is required by both parents. This does not involve a criminal background check, but rather a screening against 2 registries (1) National Sex Offender Registry and (2) MO Child Abuse and Neglect Registry.

This summer, the school will be bidding out the job to install an on-site elevator.

#### **Old Business**

Janell Drummond, President, shared a school auction recap. Overall profit was over \$71,000, which met and exceeded the committee's goal of \$50,000. Next year, the committee has opted to use a mix of both online and in-person formats.

Nancy Kopine, teacher, shared a Catholic Schools Week recap. Themes, activities, dress up days, prize bags, magician, mini carnival etc. went over well with students. Staff and students were happy to be able to celebrate, even if it was in a different way this year.

Janell Drummond, President, shared information from Ani Weimholt regarding the recent online book fair. It was not highly profitable, but did raise a total of \$80 for teachers. Ani also wanted to remind the teachers that we have over \$400 in Scholastic Book credit that can be used at any time.

## **New Business**

No funds requests were presented at the meeting. Suzann Richerson reported that Home and School donated \$250 to Flo Howard's retirement gift.

Sarah Ronnfeldt, teacher, gave a Field Day 2021 update. The event will be held on May 4th (rain day May 6th). Forty parents have signed up to help. 8th graders have also chosen to volunteer rather than participate. Classes will rotate through 9 stations. School cooks will be preparing lunch with the help of a few grandparents. Each child will receive a shirt.

Janell Drummond, President, reported out for Crystal Wilson regarding Teacher Appreciation Week. It will be held the week of May 3rd-7th. This will be Crystal's last year coordinating. Efforts include: a special breakfast, lunch, gift bags, and other special treats.

Janell Drummond, President, reported out for Katie Amos regarding Box Top collections. Collections are lower this year than previous years. A summer Box Top competition will be announced prior to the end of the school year.

Mandy Eichelberger, parent, gave a cookbook update. There are approximately 150 books remaining to sell. With Mother's Day and graduation around the corner, one last big push will be made at church the weekend of May 1st-2nd. After that, books will be sold at the 2021 Back to School Night (along with remaining bracelets).

Anecita Alvizo, parent, reported on upcoming service projects. On Saturday, April 10th there is an opportunity to serve from 9-11am cleaning up around the church and school grounds. Meet in the back parking lot. A pizza lunch will be served from 11-12 in the cafeteria. In May, a group of middle school students will be organized to volunteer at the local food pantry, with hopes to make this a quarterly event. More ideas and implementation of service to come next year as Covid restrictions allow.

Brent Drummond, parent, shared out regarding a New Family Welcome Committee. It will be led by Dan Schuster, with responsibilities transferring from School Board to Home and School. In late July, new families are brought to the school for a quick presentation, tour, and ice cream social. Yard signs, school shirts, and sports passes are provided to new students.. Mandy Eichelberger moved to add \$500 to the budget for the Welcome Committee's pilot year. Wendy Martin approved. Kelly Rohrbach seconded the motion.

Risa Venable, Secretary, led a brainstorming session on next year's school theme to present to teachers and administration. Next year, the virtue focus will be on the theological virtue of Charity: "Loving God with all your heart, mind, and strength, and your neighbor as yourself" with a focus on community. From this, multiple ideas were presented:

1. Love God. Love People. The Lord's Army theme (camouflage, american flags, etc)
2. Love, Serve, Grow. Nature theme (flowers, trees, etc. decos)
3. Olympic theme with each ring representing a virtue related to charity. This upcoming year there will be summer and winter olympics
4. Neighborhood theme/ Sesame Street

Attaching a song to the theme from the missalette was also suggested as the students respond very well to this.

[Suzann Richseron](#), Treasurer, presented the 2021-2022 Budget for approval. The following line items were added prior to approval: \$500 for New Family Welcome Committee, \$1,000 for new fundraiser opportunities (i.e. possibly bringing back 5K), \$250 was added for support staff appreciation. Mandy Eichelberger moved to approve. Kelly Rorhbach seconded.

Elections of President and Secretary were held. Lauren Cowherd was nominated for the position of President by Risa Venable, seconded by Kelly Rohrbach. All were in favor. Lauren accepted the position. Dana Rogge was nominated for the position of Secretary by Mandy Eichelberger and seconded by [Risa Venable](#). All were in favor. Dana accepted the position.

Long-Range Planning committee (Mandy Eichelberger, Logan Comegys, Brent Drummond, Richard Woodson, and Lindsey Murphy) will move forward with reviewing bylaws and assessing needs as the 21-22 school year kicks off.

Next meeting will be held at the beginning of the 21-22 school year.

The meeting was ended in Prayer (Glory Be)