

Monthly PTO Meeting

6:30 p.m., Tuesday April 11, 2017

Members present: Mike Connell, Laretta Kapphahn, Katie Aligada, Melissa Lorentz, Loren Keizer, Susan Deraney, Sherri Johnson, Ronnie Hill, Bobbi Mercil, Marcie Peeters

Opening Prayer-Loren Kaiser

Old Business:

PTO purchased a VHS/DVD converter, recordable DVD's and cases for the Library per Mrs. Kennedy's request. The total amount was \$458.87

Lenten Soup Supper was chaired by Susan Deraney. This was the 2nd graders service project. 103 people attended the supper and donation total was \$233.

Palm Sunday Breakfast was chaired by Katie Aligada and the fourth and eighth grade families helped with this service project. They served roughly 120 people and made \$573 in donations.

Spring Book Fair was last week and again was fun and successful. The library gets \$1,173 in return for total Book Fair sales. Every student was able to pick a free book to take home as well.

There are 3 remaining popcorn Fridays before the end of the school year. There are still a few spots open for volunteers if anyone has not yet fulfilled their required hours for the year.

New Business:

Principal's Report:

-Faith Family Retreat is April 12th. This retreat includes confession, Lent reflection with Father Andrew, making a Christian survival kit, Sedar meal and other Faith Family activities.

-Map Testing will begin April 24th. There will be a change in the format for kindergarten and first graders; their tests will each be broken up into two days.

-The Bishop will be coming to say Mass on May 3rd. He also will stop into each of the classrooms and talk with each grade.

-Track and Field day is May 12th.

-Mr. Connell is finalizing the 2017-18 school calendar. The early dismissal days that the public school currently follows was discussed. Holy Rosary will likely continue to follow their full day policy next year.

-Accreditation results are being finalized. Overall the results were good and they will use the accreditor's feedback to improve upon areas of opportunity.

-It has been decided that kindergarten will accept 18 students again this coming fall. That number is firm and will likely go back to 16 for the following school year.

School Board Report was given by Loren Kaiser.

Treasurer's report was given by Sherri Johnson.

Teacher appreciation lunch will be May 19th this year. PTO will provide a meal to all teachers as a thank you for all their time, energy and hard work throughout the year.

Purchasing new carpet for the entire second floor was approved. The parish has agreed to provide \$5,000 for this project. Spring Interlude was able to raise another \$2582 for this project. PTO will pay the remaining balance of \$9,691.00. This project includes replacing carpet in all four classrooms as well as hallway and stairs.

Graduation Supper will be co-chaired by Bobbi Mercil and Susan Deraney. This is a special supper made for the eighth grade graduates and their loved ones. The meal is served before Closing Liturgy mass. There will also be a reception after Closing Liturgy where coffee, juice and cookies will be served for all who wish to attend that mass.

PTO Officer Positions were opened for the 2017-18 school year.

Katie Aligada suggested starting a mentorship program with new kindergarten families starting at Holy Rosary. This would involve pairing up the new family with a recurring Holy Rosary family to guide them through all the events/happenings of the year. This idea was well received and will be further discussed at the May meeting.

Closing Prayer: Loren Kaiser

Respectfully submitted by Marcie Peeters