

Home & School Association Agenda
Approved Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 18, 2012 6:30 p.m.

The meeting began with prayer by Michelle Walters (president) at 6:36 p.m. in the sixth grade classroom at Holy Trinity School.

Six adults, Principal JoAnn Karpin and all officers were in attendance.

Board Reports

Secretary's Report— Minutes were reviewed and approved from the August 21, 2012 meeting.

Treasurer's Report— Calendar of Cash made \$21,700. Social fest made an estimated \$35,000. Some bills are still outstanding, so exact totals are not ready.

Principal's Report:

JoAnn Karpin stated we are off to a good start this year. She attended a conference on marketing. She will be attending a conference and working on implementing Common Core standards. She reported that the McDonalds receipts purchased music items and a listening station for 4K. Ink cartridges brought in a \$200 gift card to be used for science items.

Committee Reports

Hospitality: The Back to School Ice Cream Social and teacher in-service went well. Extra ice cream was donated to the school. October 25 will be parent/teacher conferences and parents are asked to bring in items for a meal for the teachers.

Guest Speaker – Jess Gieryn will be the speaker the week after conferences, Monday Nov. 5th at 6:30 p.m. Topics will include: How Can I Help My Child With: Attitude at School, Peer Pressure, Time Management, Coping Skills and Math. The event will be open to the school and parish families.

Christmas Store – Due to current financial position, it was an idea to not have the store this year. If the store does not happen, there will possibly be some other sort of event for students. Mrs. Simon suggested a “Happy Birthday to Jesus” party as a backup plan. The plan is to talk to the volunteers to see if the store is a possibility, and start there before it is decided.

Chili Dinner – Will kick off Catholic Schools week (Jan. 27, 2013). Looking for volunteers to help.

Family Night Event – A family game night is being planned for the end of February or beginning March. The event will be held in the church basement with games, popcorn, beverages, etc.

Ways & Means: Scrip – You can now order at htscrip@charter.net. Orders must be in by Monday at 9 a.m.. You can send in check and the order will come home Thursday in the home folder. \$97,000 in scrip has been sold so far this year and 30 school families have participated. To make purchasing scrip easier, the possibility of families being able to set a certain amount to have withdrawn weekly directly from their checking accounts to pay for regularly used scrip was discussed. JoAnn will look into it to see if it can be done with the same system they use for the auto withdrawals for tuition. The parish/school

needs to work on getting more families and parishioners involved in purchasing scrip.

Fundraisers – Candy bars will be delivered Oct. 9th. Alterra Coffee will run the same time as the candy bars. Coffee and Candy bars will be sold after masses.

Building & Grounds: All immediate issues have been taken care of by Nick Walters. He is working on contacting Kevin Hein and seeing if they could make some projects at the high school to use here, such as cabinet doors and shelves.

Library: No Report

Wellness: Looking for Chair. Will do the fruit/veggie challenge around the Iowa state testing. Want to do a get moving event prior to the KEYS walk.

The archdiocese is working on a walk for Nov. 2013 money raised will come back to the schools for tuition assistance. The event will be held at State Fair Park

Spiritual: Peggy Kober will be in charge.

Athletics: Athletic raffle will be started and ended earlier this year.

Old Business:

Back to School Night: reported above

Take Down the Laundry: Planning Committee is meeting this week to go over the responses

New Business

Zip the Gap Presentation: JoAnn Karpin presented a power point on the Zip the Gap. The gap goal this year is \$78,500.

PBIS Talk: The program is being implemented, but is taking some getting used to with both staff and students.

Adjourn: September 18, at 7:46 p.m.

Next meeting October 30, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement

Respectfully submitted by: Nicole Kuehl