

**Holy Cross School
Home and School Association
December 1, 2009
7:30 P.M.**

Minutes

- I. Routine Matters
 - a. **Prayer and Opening remarks by President**
 1. The meeting was called to order by President, Heidi Howard. The Lord's Prayer was recited.
 2. Present: H & S board and 8 parents, Anna Moran.
 - b. **Approval of minutes**
 1. Minutes were not provided from the last minute. Copies were not made. Will be approved at the next meeting on Tuesday, February 2, 2010.
 - c. **Treasurer's report**
 1. Currently at \$19,600
 2. Motion to approve made by Jayne and seconded by Cindy.
 - d. **Principal's report/Anna**
 1. Grant for \$1600 was used to purchase DVD/VCR for every classroom, TV for the 5th & 6th classroom, and CD players for classrooms that didn't have one.
 2. Catholic Aid raffle, we made \$7,300 which we used to add new lights in the office, things in the classrooms and pay for registration for the National Catholic Conference in St Paul for all the teachers to attend which is a required.
 3. Watkins Lion Club donated \$300 for the walk-a-thon thanks to Linda Kunkel. She took Tommy Lochen and Mitchell Kunkel to present to the Lion's club about the walk-a-thon fundraiser.
 - e. **School Board report**
 1. Its all good
 2. Catholic Aid money has to be spent a certain way so Father and Anna are working on that together.
 3. School program was rescheduled for December 14th.
 4. Catholic Schools week is January 31st – Feb 5th, 2010
 5. All school registration night will be in March between St Patrick day parade and Toy/Ham bingo on a Thursday.
 - f. **Marketing Report**
 1. Jeana Meyer ordered 200 Christmas cards with the entire HC student's picture that Ms. Symalla had taken. Cost is approximately 29 cents per card.
 2. We should send to all parish members. Can we order more for other people that are not in the parish? Mrs. Moran suggested that we put in the Friday newsletter, if they would like to send a Christmas card please send name and address. Then, we can determine how many cards we need.
 3. Thinking about reprinting/redone the school brochure. Judy Mueller volunteered to help put the brochure together. A member of the school board should be a member of the marketing committee, would that be Jayne Lochen? Yes!
 4. New members are needed for the Marketing committee. Please contact Jeana Meyer if you are interested.

g. **Sunshine Fund Report**

1. Sent a card to Jerry Bachel for the death of his father.
2. Sent a card to Father Walz for the death of his mother.
3. Sent candy bouquet to Putika's.
4. Plant to Mrs. Johnson's father.
5. Marie, staff for new baby.
6. Send flowers to Rita Wicker in the hospital.
7. Cloves Mueller passed away over the weekend Nov. 28, 2009

II. **Open Discussion**

- a. Julene asked if she can use the Candy sale money for things purchased for the Christmas play. How much are you asking for? Today, we spent \$50, probably not more than a \$100. Approved. Please make sure you turn in receipts and Home & school will reimburse you for your expense.

III. **Old Business**

a. **Walkathon**

Thank you to Linda Kunkel and for taking the children to Watkins Lion Club.

b. **Ride and Ribfest**

We don't have the totals for the Rib Feast. We will try and contact Rudy. This was not budgeted in Home & School. Extra funds.

c. **Fish Fry**

Made a little more because we increased the price but didn't sell as much as last year.

IV. **New Business**

a. **Calendar Raffle Update**

1. Sold little more ads this year and same amount of names/dates.
2. Printed 250 calendars and we will be sending 3 calendars to each HC family to sell over the holidays. We need to sell 85 calendars to brake even on expenses and anything after that is profit.
3. Thank you to Kevin Lommel, Ralph Anderson, and Linda Kunkel for their help in solicitation of ads for the calendar.
4. Mrs. Moran volunteered to sell calendars at the office. We decided not to sell calendars at the school office because of the responsibility of keeping trace of sales. It will be too much to ask of the staff. Thank you for the offer.

b. **Teacher Gifts**

Home & School gave the teachers gift cards. Our teachers are the lowest paid in the Diocese. All the teachers and Mrs. Moran received a gift card from Home & School. If this is a concern to anyone please, let us know because we decided to do this as elected members. The fact is we had the opportunity so we did it.

c. **Upcoming events**

1. Christmas program – Wednesday, December 16th
We should put it in the newsletter asking each family to bring 2 dozen store bought snacks for the play. Bring them the week of play. Home & School will pay for the juice.
2. Santa Bags
Linda will ask Randy to be Santa Claus. Lion club does not know if they can give us money to purchase candy for the Santa bags. Home & school will cover the difference.
3. Parish Breakfast – Sunday, January 24th will be changed to 31st

4. Catholic School Week – January 31st – February 5th
If Mrs. Moran needs anything from H& S, you will have to contact us earlier because our next scheduled meeting is not until Feb 2nd.
5. Sock Hop – Saturday, February 6th
The 5th & 6th Grade parents along with the students will plan this event. This event pays for their environmental field trip.
6. Chili Cook-off – Saturday, February 20th
Karl Elinger, Sarah Schneider, and Denise Donnay are the committee chair and co-chairs.
7. Dinner/Action – Saturday, April 17th
We did identify chairs of the different committees.
Theme “Night at the Gallery”
Looking for large frame for art works and flood lights
There is more to come for the dinner/auction.

d. Other

1. Looking for someone to take over the Kids Toys and Games for the summer festival.
2. Ski club sign up should be in but if you are interested please contact Dina Colville.
Suppose to start this Friday but canceled until next Friday, Dec 11th.
3. Set aside \$4000 for the play ground equipment. Al Haus and Doug Meyer are working on the equipment and said that it should be up in the Spring.
4. Catholic Insurance Company came and checked out things in the school. Concerned about the cushion material and S hooks rusted. Use bolts for now. Mrs. Strasser used two extension cords in one. We took care of that right away. Electric plugs needed safety plugs.
5. Who is in charge of cleaning around the school? Mrs. Moran suggested that maybe during Earth Day the kids can spend some time picking up around the school. Mrs. Moran will check with Parish council.

e. Next meeting

1. Tuesday, February 2nd, 2010; March 2nd, May 4th @ 7:30pm

V. Adjourn

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm by Jeana, seconded by Cindy.