

PTO Meeting September 24, 2014

The Little Flower School PTO meeting was held in the music room at 5:30 with a subway lunch provided. Opening prayer was led by Sr. Mary Ruth with the meeting conducted by co-presidents, Karla Deplazes, and Renae Arnston. The new treasurer is Tonia Dosch. Self introductions of those present were completed. The treasurer report was read and it was noted that over \$30,000.00 was raised during last year's fundraising efforts. Great Job everybody!

We discussed an envelope donation idea to assist with school fundraising efforts. This could be used in honor of or in memory of someone. Additional options for ideas for a more consistent school logo and text/print were discussed with a logo committee to be developed.

Parents signed up or have been assigned to this year's committees. A list has been sent home by the school.

Blue Jay Briefings was discussed along with general ideas for content for future mailings. There is a committee that is working on this.

Candy Committee: Candy has been sent home. There is lots of candy to sell, so if you can sell more than was first sent home, please contact Rita in the office and she will make arrangements to get more candy sent home. Generally the candy fund raising runs through the LFS carnival.

The 6th grade float is assembled and ready for Friday's Homecoming parade.

It was discussed that it was brought to the PTO president attention that the PTO may be involved in assisting with cleaning the convent such as fall or spring cleaning and windows. This may be an adjunct project with the Christian Mothers group and further contacts will be made. The sisters will be making a list of things that they need assistance.

The Silent Auction Committee reports that the supper and auction will be held at the Rugby Eagles on November 21, 2014. Theresa is cooking and a menu to be determined. Little Flower School families are asked to donate at least 1 item for a successful event. Further communication will be sent out and advertising will be done prior to the event.

The LFS Carnival is the end of January 2015. It has been determined that Catholic Financial will provide matching funds for the event. The committee is making plans for games ideas to make it a fun event.

A LFS facebook page has been created with news and upcoming events to be posted. Ideas were also discussed for LFS news to be provided to the parish by providing inserts for the parish bulletin with prior approval provided by Fr. Tom.

Other fundraising ideas were discussed. Fr. Tom reports the option for additional fund raising idea including a national Catholic School raffle that provides prizes for winners with the drawing completed during Catholic Schools week. There is no cost to our PTO and the school would receive funds from the raffle tickets sold by the LFS students and families. Also the possibility of LFS students helping with the Sunday KC breakfasts was discussed.

PTO raffle committee is coming up with ideas for the LFS raffle. If you have ideas or suggestions please let one of the committee members know as they are always looking for new ideas.
LFS has a website that Sr. Mary Ruth has been working on. It provides information of for each class, school events and a link to check your child's grades. There are many informative things on this website. Please check it out. Sr. Mary Ruth has received an award for all her work on the website.
Congratulations!

School board positions are open and a letter has been sent. If interested, fill out the form or contact a school board member.

Respectfully submitted,

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