

## PSA Minutes for October 4, 2010

**Opening Prayer:** Ms. Cowling opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:49 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Present at the meeting were Ruth P., Patti P., Diane W., Kelly L., Maryanne M., Amy U., Kelly B., Jenn Y., Tina S., Diane D., Lauren C., Cathy S., MaryBeth M., Jaime S., Noreen C., Tracy D., Tanya L., Anne C., Joan C., John P., Father Joe, Colleen Y., Annah G., Kathy R.

**Secretary's report:** The September report will be reviewed and approved at the November meeting.

**Treasurer's report:** Noreen reported that the money that has been collected so far from the fall fundraiser has been deposited. Bingo is down a little from last year. After reviewing the report Patti made a motion to accept and Lauren seconded.

### Committee Reports:

**Sunshine:** Flowers were sent to Mrs. Parmenter.

**School Store:** Orders for this year's hoodies are now being accepted. The school supplies were more expensive this year.

**Fall Fundraiser:** Jenn reported that it is doing well. There are approximately 34 families that still need to hand their money in. Approximately \$621.00 has been collected from parish families.

**KART/5K race:** The committee is working hard on getting vendors and sponsors for the race. They are focusing on making it a fun day for kids as well as adults. The race is being held on Saturday 11/13 at 9:00 a.m. **In need of volunteers to help on the day of the race but more importantly need help for supervision for the after school running club.**

**Silent Auction:** The committee is seeking approval to open a Paypal account as this will help tremendously with the event. This year's event will be a "Mardi Gras Ball". **The committee is in need of volunteers the night of the event, a person in charge of classroom baskets and soliciting donations.**

**Bingo:** John reported that bingo is down a bit, the attendance is still good. He blames the profit being down on patrons not buying as many tickets to play. We are still doing far better than any other bingo in the area.

**Natures classroom bingo dates:**

**11/24, 12/29, 2/23**

**School Board:** Ms. Cowling reported that the Board is trying to rearrange the meetings so that the finance meetings are held before the Board meetings. The calendar will be in limbo for a bit.

**Old Business:**

**Original Art Program:** Tracy reported that the art program did well again this year. There were approximately \$3,850.00 in orders and we profited approximately \$1,270.00. Many thanks to Mrs. Cahill for her hard work in making this a success!

**New Business:**

**Tax exempt status:** Reminder that if you are purchasing anything for the school there is a tax exempt paper that you can pick up in the office that you have to return when you are done.

**Book Fair:** Will be held the week after Thanksgiving. **Volunteers are needed during school hours. Mrs. P will be sending home a sign up sheet.**

**PSA By-law revision:** Page 2 a change to be made to 3b, the words **general meetings to holding monthly meetings**. A motion was made by Ruth and seconded by Jenn to revise the bylaws, no objections noted.

**SCRIPS program:** Cathy reported that this program is all about gift cards. By purchasing gift cards through the school we earn a percentage that is specific to the store. Cathy made a motion to start the Scrip program and Lauren seconded. A vote was taken, no objections noted.

**Playground equipment:** Maryanne read a letter that was signed by all of the Faculty asking the PSA to use the money set aside for their annual Christmas party and gifts to repair the playground. The playground has not been opened for the children at all yet this year. The plastic is broken in a certain area and is not safe to play on. Ms. Cowling and Noreen are going to call the company and inquire about the warranty. Ruth made a motion to redirect the funds from the Valleycats and the Original Art Program to repairing the playground and a teachers Holiday luncheon at the request of the Faculty and Staff. Lauren seconded, a vote was taken, no objections noted.

**Upcoming PSA Events:**

**Family Liturgy/Ziti Dinner- Saturday October 16th**

**Volunteers needed to help prepare the sauce and pasta on Friday after school**

**(BRING A POT). Set up on Saturday, serving and clean up.**

**John NEEDS pictures by Wednesday 10/6.**

**Principal's Remarks:** Ms. Cowling reported that the breakfast program will be starting on 10/5. Along with Mrs. Chestera, they will monitor the utilization to continue this program. Many thanks to all who helped to set up at open house and for the teacher gifts. Handbells and band have started. The 8th grade Leadership Liturgy was very impressive. Reminder for anyone that would like to volunteer at school needs to have Virtus training.

There is a training scheduled on 10/14 at 6:30 in the Library. The school underwent a safety inspection. The inspector acknowledged some improvements, such as the front doors etc. A few improvements still need to be made.

**Basketball: 10/19 coaches meeting, 10/21 mandatory parents meeting.**

A brochure will be going home about the Covenant to Educate. This is the Bishop's attempt to leave a strong Catholic School Foundation when he retires in 2 1/2-3years.

**50th Anniversary Celebration:** Ms. Cowling and Father Joe are assigning co-chairs.

**Parish News:** 10/17- fall hike 2:30, there will be car pooling. after the hike there will be pizza in the school gym and then Mass at 7:00p.m.

**LIFT- 10/3 8:00a.m.-1:00p.m., 10/4 and 10/6 5:00-8:30p.m.**

Dates are now in the calendar.

**Closing Prayer:** Father Joe closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:51 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Next meeting is on Monday November 1st at 6:45 in the Library.