

PSA Minutes for February 7, 2011

Opening Prayer: Ms. Cowling opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:51 p.m.

Roll Call: Present at the meeting were Marybeth M., Tracy D., Alexia R., Ms. Cowling, Kelly B., Jaime S., Courtney G., Ruth P., Diane D., Patti P., Tanya L., John P., Noreen C..

Secretary's report: After members reviewed the January minutes, Ruth made a motion to accept the minutes and Patti seconded.

Treasurer's report: Noreen reported that she has paid \$25,000.00 to the Rectory. The fall raffle's total is \$13,500.00. KART'S total \$3,893.00, we get half and half goes to the P.E. program. SCRIP is still a work in progress. Mrs. Cahill will be ordering paper with her portion of the money from Original Art. Patti made a motion to accept the report and Jaime seconded.

Bingo: Noreen reported that Bingo is not doing so well, so far this year \$10,600.00. Last year at this time \$27,500.00.

Committee reports:

Sunshine: Flowers were sent to Mrs. Chestera.

Silent Auction: Tracy reported that the items for the auction are coming in. Responses for the event are coming in slowly. The committee needs the final count for dinners to be given to the Country Club by 3/1. There was concern about the ticket price being too high brought to Tracy's attention; she voiced this to the committee. The committee is firm on the price schedule. They have many incentives to pay the lowest price possible.

Spring Fundraiser: Tracy reported for the committee that the packets are being prepared and will be going home within the next few weeks.

Golf Committee: Kelly reported that the committee is moving along with plans for another great event.

Social Committee: Ruth reported that all of the RSVP and flower order forms for the Father/Daughter dance will be going home in this Friday's folder. The dance is on Friday March 4th.

School Board Representative: There is a meeting scheduled for finances of next year covering tuition etc. The board purchased the donor perfect software for the Annual Giving campaign.

Old Business:

EGBA Discount card: Diane reported that there have been 25-30 card sold. Diane is trying to set up some events that could help promote the businesses on the card, such as a scrapbooking night at the paper store, a mom's night out at the book store. Any suggestions, contact Diane.

New Business:

Catholic Schools Week: The week was a great success, thanks to all of the volunteers. Most days were out of uniform, ice cream sundaes for student appreciation day, teachers were sent out for lunch for staff appreciation day. Ms. Cowling would like to send the remaining staff that were not able to go on that same day, she will be working on that. Mrs. Cahill's oil painters will have their artwork on display at the East Greenbush Library for the entire month of February.

Secretarial position: There has been one nomination for our Secretary for the 2011/2012 school year- Ruth Piperata. Elections will be held in June.

Social Committee Chair: We are pleased to announce that Tanya Lahr volunteered to lead the social committee for our 2011/2012 school year. Thank you Tanya!

Principal's Remarks: Thank you to all of the volunteers for helping with the games, sundaes and for taking over the classrooms for the faculty to go OUT of the building for lunch! Pep Rally was a lot of fun, we are looking into purchasing a new mascot. The week seemed to be a real community builder! Midterms have come to an end. Report cards are going home. Some of our teacher's have volunteered to attend cluster meetings to do curriculum mapping with Janet Hale. Improving technology is very important for next year, will be working on that. Congratulations to Brevin, who will be attending the spelling bee at Proctor's on February 9th, 5-9 p.m. Congratulations to Future Cities team, placed 3rd and best designed city for visual presentation. The woman from Student Styles contacted Ms. Cowling about not being able to offer our exact plaid for next year, the company is no longer making it. Ms. Cowling is going to inquire with Flynn & O'Hara. The finance committee had their half year review, we are doing better than last year at this time. This does not include all of the snow removal expenses. We need to work on recruiting and enrolling families. Thanks to Marybeth for putting the ads in the local papers. School will be open on Thursday 4/15 and Friday 4/16 due to the snow days.

50th Anniversary Celebration: Planning to work with the golf committee to add goodies and invite alumni to the event to celebrate our very special anniversary.

Parish News: First Reconciliation preparation is underway, Confirmation preparation is underway.

LIFT is in progress until March 27th.

Valentine's Day Blessing and dessert night for married couples, sponsored by the LPG, Friday February 11 at 7pm Sacred Heart church. Call Holy Spirit church or any of the others in the planning group to make reservations.

Closing Prayer: Ms. Cowling closed our meeting with a prayer at 8:25p.m.

Adjournment: Next meeting is on Monday March 7th at 6:45 p.m. All are welcome to attend.