

H&S Minutes for January 2010

Opening prayer

Approval of November (no meeting in December) minutes

Treasurer Report --

- Craft Day ended with a profit of about \$200
- No numbers for Market Day

- Unity Day discussion/vote - Mr. Beisser would like \$1,500 for Unity Day (Ventrilaquist, Officer Wilson, Xgames bike rider, Ground Hog guy)

VOTED TO USE THE \$1,500 from Magazine Sales:

- Use \$1,000 for Unity Day.
- There was a request to fund Irish Dancers performance (\$125)
- The buses for Catholic Schools week (\$325)

Upcoming Events and Committee Reports

- Craft Day wrap-up – Came in under budget, probably was not perfect but sounds like kids enjoyed it. Lot's of work but will try and be better organized next year. Thank you to all Craft Day committee members and volunteers.

- Teacher Appreciation – Friday, February 5, 2010. We want to try and get more parents involved this year. Catering – Jason talked to Stodder's in Cottage Grove, thought it was a bit expensive and unwilling to cut a deal. He went back to Laredos and they will cater again. So, it will be a Mexican buffet \$13 per person. Cash bar offering Margaritas and beer. And need to include pop and water. Music- perhaps could find a D.J. but wondering if we will have enough room. Jenny suggested

eliminating more tables. Mr. Beisser authorized sending home invitations in hopes of including everyone.

- Catholic Schools Week - Janet is organizing. A few new things are being done this year, bingo and a beach day (shorts, flip flops, etc.), pj day again, will split the school up on Friday and go to an outside event. T-shirts will be offered again. Sunday is the start with the Jubilee choir singing. Wednesday will be Country day organized by Michelle Grajakowski. This is also Gift week. T-shirt design did not go well. Received only 7 designs.

- K-5 and Middle School events - Updates Janet Masters K-5 will be ice skating in late March. Middle School skiing trip will be the end of January. If kids do not participate they will be expected to attend school.

- Variety Show - April 17, 2010 tentative date The week before Ken Lindquist wants to put on a play the week before, the 24th is the day before Gift. This day will give the kids the 2 unity days after Spring Break and another week after Spring Break. The class acts can practice in the classrooms after school.

- Trivia Knight - Saturday, March 6th The push has begun. The team captains have received registration forms. They are on the website today. The cost is \$140 for a table (maximum of 8) or \$17.50 per person. This includes your entrance fee (free snacks and candy). Introducing pizza sales this year. Will offer again \$15 wrist bands all you can drink. Quietly encouraging people to bring in food. Trivia consists of 8 rounds of 10 questions. No Bob Curley this year, but there will still be a music round. One complaint if you were in the back it was hard to hear and hard to see. This year there will be 4 speakers and 3 screens.

- Trivia night is the third fundraiser so we need to allocate the funds for a specific purpose(s) therefore we need to start thinking about how we want to spend it.

- Chair racks for the gym instead of pulling chairs out of the gym
- Contribution to the new surveillance system
- Kitchen items
- Additional contribution to teacher convention
- Start a long term fund for play ground equipment
- Smart boards
- Curtain (that would separate) for the gym (est. \$3,000 for simple pull open)
- Ground for playground (rubber squishy ground)
- Wireless internet in the school
- Funds for website support

Mr. Beisser suggested we talk to Scott and Sue and see if there is anything that is needed.

Principal Update

- IOWA Standardized Tests – St. Dennis is above the average
- Mr. Beisser is tracking from year to year
- Will be expecting kids to do more

Mr. Beisser is working on:

Replacing computer lab

Replacing Kindergarten lockers replace w/cubbies and then use the parts from the Kindergarten lockers to repair other lockers.

Buying laptops for some of the teachers that they can take home

Mr. Beisser is asking for an Art teacher

There will be some teachers retiring, reducing their time, some other changes

Association Meeting - TBD