

CPTO Meeting Notes

Thursday, September, 8 2016

Committee Reviews

- Social Committee: Abby gave positive feedback from BooHoo WooHoo Breakfast with 30 attendees (both new and current parents). Reported this as a very low-cost event and all agreed to continue this event for next year. Abby volunteered to continue heading this event. Upcoming Halloween Party set for October 23, 2016 from 2:00-4:00. Discussion if this should be a charge event or if CPTO would provide budgeted funds (\$200) for this event. Voted and agreed to provide \$200 for the party. Much emphasis placed that the goal of the social committee is to offer involvement/social connecting rather than fund-raising.
- Fundraising Committee: Laura gave an update regarding upcoming Golf/Kick-Off Event. She has received \$3900 in sponsorship thus far, and anticipates some additional. She has 16 teams signed up for golf/dinner, with 12 for dinner. She indicated that she has outstanding silent auction items and prizes (Disney tickets, hole-in-one car, dinner by Father Colter)
- Marketing Committee: Laura D. provided positive feedback from Orientation Night.
- Volunteer Committee: Suzie provided information about upcoming Fall Festival (October 2, 2016 10:30-2:00) costume sale. Suzie is looking for additional donated Halloween costumes. Sale will be operated by St. Pats School volunteers and proceeds go to St. Pats Parish. Proceeds last year around \$200. Informal decision made to not supply a CPTO silent auction basket. Homeroom Parent Volunteers have all been secured for 2016-2017 school year.

Bev Mach Update

- Provided update on the several impressive projects that were completed over the summer. She is looking ahead and would like to secure funds for a playground sun-shade. She has received estimates around \$14,000. Longer term she is considering playground pad to replace rubber chip mulch; estimated at \$46,000. Veteran's Day, November, 11, 2016 arrangements to have a program to honor area veterans. Expressed concern regarding great need for hiring a bus driver. Expressed desire to attract more parental attendance/involvement in CPTO.

Teacher Update

- Mrs. Bahr and Miss Smith in attendance. Both reported how much nicer the classrooms appear with the new tables/chairs. They continue to love the classroom projectors. Mrs. Bahr was happy to report that all 3rd-8th graders have 1:1 computer use. Kindergarten - 8th grade has adopted a new math series. The teachers will rotate representation at CPTO meetings.

Financials:

- Review of 2015-1016 annual report. Current balance \$17,381. Much discussion regarding need to evaluate which fund-raisers will continue (i.e. weighing factors such as volunteers, planning hours, office staff help, costs, donations, etc).
- Good discussion introducing the idea of sponsorship levels to avoid same sponsors donating to multiple events.
- Previous school board representative, Katie, provided positive feedback from Bus Bash. Indicated this will be an event that the school will most likely continue due to the success and future need of bus expenses. Concerns noted and request for decision making regarding CPTO fundraising and school board fundraising. Discussion to obtain further information either by surveying or emailing all parents. Agreed to revisit and make decision at next CPTO meeting. Katie stated that new school board representatives attending CPTO will be Heather Weidman and/or Megan Fereday.
- Discussion regarding which events (i.e. Adult Trivia, Shamrock Shuffle) could emphasize more socializing vs. fundraising, to both lower the overhead (manpower and expense) of events and increase connections with current/new families to St. Pats.
- Voted all in agreement to increase teacher classroom start-up costs from previous \$150/year to \$200/year.

Next CPTO meeting October 13, 2016 @ 6:30