

October 10, 2017

PAC Minutes:

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Present: Mr. Sladek, Wendy Wales, Crystal Christenson, Lisa DeKray, Brian Flemming, Katie Cass, Kim Boesl, Julie Dahlseid, , and Katy Olson

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order by Wendy Wales, PAC Volunteer Coordinator (subbing for Tonya Thorson, PAC President). Mr. Sladek started with a prayer.
- *Old Business:*
  1. *PAC Reps/Positions for 2017-2018.*

Continuing to organize and enlist anyone interested in being their grade's PAC rep. Being a PAC rep involves coordinating your grade's 1x/year event (e.g. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade = Hwy Clean Up, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr = Halloween Dance) plus 1x/year coffee and rolls weekend – minimal time commitment as total of two events only. Contact Tonya, Wendy, or Katy through Fast Direct if interested.
  2. *Volunteer Coordinator:* Wendy noted she had volunteers filled for Elden's Receipts for September and October. She was able to fill next 3 months with volunteers from tonight's meeting. Contact Wendy if interested in helping out with Elden's receipts for January – March. Kim Boesl taking on Box Top and Soup Labels again. Amanda Kietzmann agreed to do the Memory Book again for one more year.
  3. *Watch DOGS (Dads of Great Students) Program:* Fun program for male figures in students' lives to volunteer at St. Mary's. Any dad, grandpa, uncle, etc, if interested, can sign up to spend the day at their student's school – moving among different classrooms, lunch, recess, etc. Contact Mrs. Flaten in office if interested.
  4. *Homecoming Parade:* St. Mary's float turned out very well in terms of both décor and student participation, especially considering this year's early homecoming on 9/16. Ideas for future parades discussed. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to be in charge of Homecoming Parade float as their "yearly event" responsibility in the future.
- *New Business:*
  1. *Adopt a Highway:* 1<sup>st</sup> grade activity; no 1<sup>st</sup> grade PAC reps to volunteer as of yet. Wendy Wales to send out a Fast Direct email to 1<sup>st</sup> grade families looking for a PAC rep and to communicate about Adopt a Highway.
  2. *Marathon 2017:* Month of October, St. Mary's school focuses on "Service". Members of stewardship committee came and talked to students yesterday about stewardship: sharing time, talent, and treasure. Communication and service sheet forms were sent out in Friday Folders on 10/6. Families/students have the entire month of October to complete. Goal is to lead our young people through example of service and stewardship...completing a service project, act of kindness, etc to celebrate our Catholic identity and serve the community. Returned sheets to be hung up in the cafeteria.
  3. *Coffee and Rolls –*
    - November 5<sup>th</sup> = 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade with Wendy Wales lining up volunteers
    - December 3<sup>rd</sup> = 4<sup>th</sup> grade with Tonya Thorson lining up volunteers
  4. *Fall Dance (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade for this year; split up duties for 2018)*
    - Date set for Friday 10/27 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm in school gym. Julie Dahlseid offered to coordinate dance as 2<sup>nd</sup> grade PAC rep - coordinating fliers, finding and scheduling volunteers, snacks, etc. Wendy booked and confirmed DJ. Crystal to look into local option for photo booth.
  5. *Fall Conference Meals (4<sup>th</sup> grade)*
    - 4<sup>th</sup> grade PAC rep (Tonya Thorson) to coordinate meals for Monday 11/20 and Tuesday 11/21.
  6. *Calendar Raffle*
    - Parents to pick up calendar raffle tickets at Fall Conference. Nichole Boyden is willing to organize schedule of selling after Masses via Sign-Up Genius.

7. *Magazine Sales* - start Tuesday 10/24 with return date of Friday 10/27. \*\*Optional fundraiser: no requirement to participate! Goal is to limit fundraising to two fundraisers: calendar raffle and Casino Night. However, parishioners, local businesses, and families in general continue to show interest in magazine sales as a way to renew their magazines. With such continued support, St. Mary's continues to participate. St. Mary's gets 40 % of each sale.
8. *Teacher's Wish List* – Looking for a volunteer to coordinate the teacher's wish list (bulletin board style on brick entrance wall, up in time for fall conferences). Teachers compile list of wanted/wish list for Christmas gift ideas. Contact Wendy if interested in helping with this fun task – free to be creative with your decorating 😊.

- *Principal's Report:*

1. 10/12 = Kindergarten classes visit Fire Department – walking field trip.
2. 10/13 = Grandparents' Day
3. MEA break 10/19-20. No school on Monday 10/23 as St. Mary's staff hosting in service for regional teachers of St. Cloud Diocese.
4. Tuesday 10/24 = Picture Re-take date; \*Note date of Tuesday 10/24 is after 3 days of school off.
5. 10/31 = Halloween Parade in gym at 2:10 following classroom parties. Parents and siblings invited.
6. Monday 11/6 = No School, district wide day off, teacher in-service
7. 11/20 and 11/21 – Conferences

**\*\*\*Next meeting = Tuesday 11/14 at 7:00 pm at School Library. All are Welcome and Encouraged to attend😊.**