

I. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Dave Nadler and a prayer led by Nancy Taylor.

II. Principal's Report

The Principal's Report was presented by Christine Unger.

- A reminder to parents that we do not have school this Friday, November 4, due to parent/teacher conferences this week.
- Terra Nova testing for grades 3 through 8 is complete.
 - o These tests are similar to the state testing taken in the public schools.
 - o In the past, Sts. Peter and Paul School has tested well above the standard.
- SSPP will be participating in the School Mall Program this year.
 - o This program is website based and will allow Sts. Peter and Paul School, when patrons shop online through the website, to receive a percentage of each sale.
 - o This is at no cost to the patron or to the school.
 - o Information on this program will be sent home tomorrow.
- The Bob Evans Festival went very well.
 - o Thank you to all of our volunteers and sponsors.
- Picture retakes are scheduled for Monday, November 7.
 - o Sorry to the preschool parents on the date, however they were unable to change it to Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday.
 - o Information will be sent home later this week.
- The 3rd and 4th grade class won the Box Tops competition with over 1000 Box Tops contributed.
 - o They will receive a party for their efforts.

III. Approval of Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was distributed.

- Dave Nadler pointed out that last year the cookie dough fundraiser profit was \$3100; this year we fell short with a profit of \$1500.
 - o Due to the loss of profit in our fundraising endeavors, we will need to make up for it through more fundraising this school year.
- A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Amy Williams and seconded by Vanessa Ervin.
 - o The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Fundraising Report

Fundraising has not been as profitable as expected, so more fundraisers will be presented than originally anticipated in the spring.

- The One Stop Shop Hop is Saturday, November 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 - o Cora Willett stated that so far there are 15 vendors registered to attend and the student council will be participating by selling baked goods during the event.
 - o Packets and fliers will be sent home with information on these vendors and the event.
 - o Added to the vendors this year will be crafts for sale and items for purchase and take on hand.
 - o A.L. Terry Jewelers will be attending the event this year and will exchanging gold for cash.
 - o All vendors will be donating at least 15% to our school.
- We have been profiting \$300-400 each quarter from Kroger Cards.

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- If you have not registered your card, please set it up tonight or give Kristyl your information and we will register for you.
- Kroger gives our school a percentage for every day purchases made at their store at no extra cost to you.
- The Bob Evans Farm Festival was a great success.
 - Mandy Wechter thanked all of the volunteers and sponsors who donated time and items to this event.
 - Mandy also thanked Nina Cox for putting so much time and effort into the Make and Take Crafts Booth and the festival in its entirety.
 - The profit from the festival was \$1857, though the amount is misleading.
 - The 3800 units of items left from this year's festival are donated to the event for next year, which will make next year's festival pure profit since very little product will need to be purchased.
 - The pumpkins were very popular this year (100 were sold and none were available after mid-day on Saturday).
- Christmas Trees and wreaths will be sold again this year with information being sent home at a later date.

V. Community Calendar

The idea of a community calendar is still being reviewed and will be discussed at a later date.

VI. New Business

Jeff Plummer presented to the Home & School Association a proposal to purchase a new floor polisher. He suggested the cost of the polisher at \$8,000 could be split 1/3 between each of three groups: Home and School, Oktoberfest and the parish. The arguments for the purchase included:

- The current polisher is old and is no longer sanitizing and polishing the floors as it should.
- The current polisher is on "its last leg" and a replacement needs to be purchased as soon as possible.
- The Home and School Association has plenty of money in the bank to make the purchase.

Arguments against:

- Ms. Updike is still looking into several options at this time. Research is not yet complete and a less expensive alternative for purchase or rent may be available.
- More research should be completed on the purchase before making a decision.
- Equipment purchases have been approved at \$500 for this year's budget for Home and School. Since we have not yet raised \$2,200 above our annual budget, it may be premature at this time to make such a large investment in equipment.
- A purchase in May, after annual fundraising is complete, may be more reasonable to consider, since the association will know at that time if fundraising goals have been exceeded in order to spend additional funds.
- Michelle Canter made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Mindy Jackson.
 - 19 people voted for with one opposed, and 13 abstaining. The motion passed.

VII. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for December 6, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

VIII. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.