

## Home and School Minutes – November 1, 2011

**In Attendance:** Jane W., Chris R., Mike H., Lisa M., Pam G., Mary T., Jill B.

**Opening Prayer:** all

**Minutes from Previous Meeting (October 4, 2011):** Approved

**Newsletter plan** – Discussed Home and School Newsletter and will send the next letter out the first week of January 2012.

### School Committee

1. Progressive testing will be done to determine student progress and if students need additional support. Plan on three years of progressive scoring.
2. School Improvement Plan to include the following:
  - 1) BRI – basic reading inventory
  - 2) Math computation
  - 3) Language – concentrate on capitalization and proper punctuation
  - 4) Develop formal student/study team for challenges students are having.
3. Accreditation visit from archdiocese expected in 2013. Need comprehensive report to community including finances, improvements and testing.
4. Partnering with St. Jerome's for an all day retreat for middle school students. Sunday 11/6<sup>th</sup> will have a boy/girl session for public high school students. Monday 11/7<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 11/8<sup>th</sup> will have boy/girl middle school/public school students. St. Charles will host the boys and St. Jerome's will host the girls. Expecting 45-60 attendees at St. Charles. May still need volunteers
5. 8<sup>th</sup> grade Timber-Lee retreat went well. The activities included rock climbing, hiking, science projects and other team building activities. Ended the night with a bonfire.
6. Teacher In-Service October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. May have earlier in the school year so that parents can be made aware of any issues so corrective steps can be taken before the end of the quarter. School Committee to discuss.
7. Catholic Schools Week January 29<sup>th</sup> - February 4<sup>th</sup>.
8. Common Core Standards projected to begin 2014. These will replace the State Standards. They will include more application skills, more in depth application and less concentration on text material. Focus is to improve creative thinking vs. just reading and learning material from a text book.
9. Mr. Halstead's medical leave has been postponed until further notice.

### Volunteer Update

1. Continue to advertise for co-president. Jane will continue in position until a volunteer steps up.
2. Still would like more parent advisors to participate in meetings.
3. Still short on hot lunch help.
4. Need Library volunteers. Flexible hours M-W-F or weekly or monthly, whenever you can make it.

## **Hospitality**

1. Teacher In-service – Box lunches from Panera’s will be provided. Queen of Apostles is helping out with beverages. Hosting 9 – 10 schools – no hospitality needed.

## **Fundraising**

1. Auction (Amy and Renee) – 3/24/2012
2. Magazine Drive (Kelly) – Ad on website. Encourage ongoing promotion.
3. Carnival/Fallfest (Jane) – The carnival went well and raised nearly \$4,500.
4. Scrap booking (Mary) – Planned for 1/13 and 1/14, 2/10 and 2/11. October event results still not final. Will get update at next meeting.
5. Breakfast with Santa – Scheduled for 12/10/2011.
6. Moonlight Tasting – Scheduled for 11/12/2011. Currently have 42 registrations. Goal is to reach 75.
7. Catholic school's week dance -
8. Movie night: Next event 11/18/11.
9. Packer Chili cook-off – Set for November 20<sup>th</sup>. Still need to make flyers and stuff in bulletins.
10. Country Springs – Sold about 30 more passes and have approximately 270 passes left. Possible school outing for January 20<sup>th</sup> (early release day). May offer water park passes to anyone who purchases \$100 of raffle tickets for the auction. Split \$9 cost of water park pass or offer drink tickets?
11. Dress Down Passes – To get update by next meeting.
12. Scrip: Scrip flier updated. Currently at 21.3% of goal as of the beginning of October. Discussed opportunities for increasing sales. Will begin announcing at services that SCRIPT is available after mass. Will have class competition for most new family’s on board. Class with highest percent will win an ice cream party.
13. Box tops and milk caps - \$1,488 last year, \$618.80 + \$344.50 expected Nov and Dec. plus \$1,117.80 in March.
14. Volunteer hour pay out – billed (3) families/(2) unbilled-changes
15. Fish Fry – Still need volunteers for next year to run program. Looking at having separate coordinator to do the purchasing and another to organize the events.
16. Spirit Wear - Athletics to take over and create flyer.

## **Old Business:**

1. Culvers Fundraiser follow up. No need to do anything – just promote – should say you are with St. Charles. Offer 10% of the sales. Will try to schedule for Tuesday – November 22nd.

## **New Business**

1. None

**Next meeting 12/6/2011**