

November 16, 2016 – SAPA Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:00.

No changes to last month's minutes – minutes stand as printed

Vp report – yard signs

Fundraising

Dress down update? – to get update from Christina brown

Auction update – Finalizing invites

- Discussion on ticket price – More expensive ticket (\$55) w/ open bar vs. cheaper ticket (\$30) with cash bar.
- Feb 4 is the date – correction to what was stated in the agenda
- Sit down dinner at the commons – rustic theme
- Looking for auction baskets
- Wing baskets instead of class baskets this year

Trivia night – March 18

- Gym
- Need tables and chair inventory

Space Camp

- Mums in September
- Trunk or Treat – huge success, 60 cars participated, 156 preordered meals, donated extra food to fire department, raised \$394.50.
- Poinsettia Sales – due Nov 17 – delivered Tuesday
- Breakfast with Santa – Dec 4 after 8 & 10 masses
- Discount Cards – Available Nov 18 at Mass, 7th graders

School Activities

- Book Fair –Went well. Looking for a new chair. Still have over \$900 in Scholastic dollars that can be used in classrooms/library.
- Father Daughter Dance- Success
- Santa's Secret Shop – Chaired by Kimara Morrissey – Dec 5-8, Dec 5 is preview day only, littles will be with buddies. Looking for volunteers.

PR/Tech Update

- Making efforts to keep website events up to date with fast direct calendar.
- Let Jean Heil, Jennifer Weiner, Shauna Schrock know if anything needs to be put on the site

School Brochure

- Planning to meet sometime soon
- Trying to have done by open house in spring

Principals Report

- Kids are excited about the clubs, and the teachers are enjoying the time spent with the kids. Parents are welcome to start a club or partner with a teacher to start a club.
- Parent teacher conference went well. Sign up genius was well received overall.
- Title services 2 days a week, 3.5 hours at a time to aide in reading. We had to go without for 2.5 weeks, there was no teacher available. A new teacher was hired; services will resume.
- We have hired a new cleaning company. American Maid is the company. They're doing a great job.
- Went over dates on agenda.
- 3rd and 4th graders were invited to participate in Wreaths across America
- Iowa Test Scores – St. Ambrose scored right at Diocesan level. Every category, every class, we were right on par for where we should be. This is only the 3rd year for taking the Iowa test. Looking at having 4th and 6th take the Achievement portion. Would it be better to wait to take the tests in the spring instead of fall?

Old Business

- Playground – Breakfast brought another \$1100. Bricks will be ordered in the spring. Need to order benches, trash cans, tables.
- Teacher Appreciation Days – December SAPA sponsor apps/dessert day for teachers.
- Special Thanks to Shauna, Mary Jo, Pat for Donut Sunday
- Movie Night – If anyone is interested in chairing it, let Jennifer Weiner know.

New Business

- From Parish Office – When sapa uses CC, we need to return CC to the way we found it.
- Sara Hess noted that we should consider putting a float in the Alton Halloween Parade.

Next Meeting January 18, 2017.

Closing

Meeting adjourned 7:20