

St. Luke PTO Board Minutes

October 4, 2010

The meeting was opened by President, Jay Jay Williams. Jay Jay Williams, Ann McDuffie, Jennifer Parker, Vicky Paul, Margaret Ward, Christy Lynch, Brooke Gates, Sarah Sluder, Barbara McKoon, and Emily Sutherland were present.

Vicky Paul began the meeting with a prayer.

Mrs. McDuffie reported:

The softball team had a wonderful season. Cross-country competed on Saturday and won both boys and girls.

Report cards go home soon.

The 8th Grade trip will be from the 19th thru the 22nd.

We will have Spirit Day on the 19th with students wearing their Get Smart shirts as a send-off for the 8th graders.

An Immunization Clinic has been scheduled again this year for flu shots and pneumonia shots. The seasonal flu shot will be combined with the H1N1 vaccine. The clinic will be on October 26th.

Red Ribbon Week begins on October 25th.

Chick-fil-a nights are going very well. We have raised several hundred dollars each time.

Smart Board training is continuing and there will be a meeting on Thursday.

The School Board has not yet approved the school calendar for next year, but it will be approved at the November 1st board meeting.

Vicky Paul asked if parents could access the Smart Board software on the web. Mrs. McDuffie and Mrs. Parker said that you can, but you have to have a code to download the software. A sheet will be sent home with the code and instructions. It will allow you to open a lesson emailed by a teacher so that if a child is out sick, they might be able to make-up some of their work using that software.

Book Fair report --

Scholastic Books will be delivered on: Tuesday, Nov. 9th

Book Fair Sale Dates:

Wednesday, Nov. 10 from 9AM until 3 PM and during

Wednesday night supper 5 PM until 7:00 PM

Thursday, Nov 11th School Holiday (Veteran's Day)

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Friday, Nov. 12 from 9 AM until 3 PM

Monday, Nov 15 from 9 AM until 5 PM (coincides with K-3rd Thanksgiving luncheon, extended hours for teacher shopping)

Tuesday, Nov 16 from 9 AM until 1PM (coincides with 4-8 grade Thanksgiving luncheons)

Pack up and clean up 2-3PM on Tuesday, Nov 16th

The book fair will once again take place in the Ministry Center in the small dining room.

Banner: Three tarp style book fairs banners were purchased from Scholastic with Scholastic dollars to advertise the fair this year. One additional sign will need to be purchased. (cost \$55.00) The plan is to purchase the additional 4th sign after the fair with Scholastic dollars. (see attached photo)

Volunteers: I presently have 32 volunteers who have graciously volunteered their time to help with the book fair. Additional volunteer opportunities will be announced in the mass email from Nikki in early November.

Decorations: Alex Woodward (the parent of SLS alumni 2 years ago) has generously donated her time to work with our decorating committee, on the Scholastic theme "Here's to our Hero's: Reading saves the day" We will be looking for used Halloween costumes of firemen, policemen, military, medical personnel. etc. to utilize in our decorating. If you have costumes or know of someone who does please contact Alicia Newton.

Jay Jay Williams reported that 64 students attended the Meet the High Schools night. It all went pretty well.

Jay Jay Williams reported for Merriellen Thomas that plans for the Thanksgiving Luncheons are well

underway. The Kindergarten thru 3rd grade luncheon will be held on November 15th and the 4th thru 8th grade luncheon will be held on November 16th. They are anticipating selling the tickets online.

Eight grade pictures will be taken tomorrow and Thursday.

Sally Foster report:

Sally Foster results are:

4258 online sales

6720 gift card sales----- Total of 10,978.60

This was down about 50% from last year due to the change in the catalog and the gift card

portion. Many comments that it was too complicated and everyone would like the catalog

back! Please continue to support by buying Sally Foster online...we will get the dollars.

Boston Butt ticket sales are going on now. The tickets are due on Wednesday.

Harvest Party ♦ Melissa Kennedy did the t-shirt graphic. All plans are similar to last year and everything is pretty much lined up and ready to go. There will be a new ♦whirly♦ ride.

Ashley Smith sent the following update on Homecoming:

Homecoming 2011 Update

October 4, 2010

. Confirmed date for Homecoming will be Thursday, January 20, 2011. A boys♦ basketball game and a girls♦ basketball game against Calvary Christian is scheduled for that day.

B Long-sleeve t-shirts will be sold to promote school spirit. We are working on design. We may have contest to offer students/teachers/parents the opportunity to submit designs.

. Dinner will be available for Homecoming. At this point, we are still in discussions about what to serve. Several people have suggested we look into a meal option other than spaghetti. If you have thoughts or ideas, please let us know. We are looking for a meal that

offers large profit margin and is easily packaged for takeout. Spaghetti is the least expensive option that still seems substantial; it is easily prepared for takeout. Marinara sauce with noodles is \$4.00/person; meat sauce with noodles is \$5.00/person. If we do offer spaghetti,

we may ♦market♦ it differently ♦ organic or someone♦s special recipe, or official St. Luke School recipe.

. As in the past, students will be asked to pre-sell tickets for the meal. We would like to offer similar incentives to top sellers, as in past years.

. We hope to promote the dinner to church members. Dinner tickets can be sold to St. Luke

Sunday school classes by the older students. Information can be printed in the church bulletin.

. The Homecoming door decorating contest was a fun part of Homecoming last year. We

would like to incorporate that contest again this year. As last year, room moms will be asked

to assist teachers in design/preparation. We would like to offer Chick-Fil-A lunch to class winners (K-2, 3-5, 6-8).

. To increase school spirit and get more students and families involved in Homecoming (and at the fundraiser dinner), the dance team and cheerleaders will offer a camp for younger

students (K-4th). After learning a routine/cheer, younger students will perform at Homecoming games.

. We would like to invite alumni to Homecoming. We hope to work with SLS staff to

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these former students, most likely through Facebook and/or email.

. Due to timing, we need to start promoting Homecoming activities and selling dinner tickets

during the month of November. With the one week of vacation at Thanksgiving, two weeks

at Christmas, and the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, we don't want Homecoming to slip

through the crack!

. If you have thoughts/ideas about Homecoming, please contact us!

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A discussion was held regarding a concern over the spaghetti last year. Mrs. McDuffie will check on that with Ashley Smith and Kelsey.

Emily Sutherland reported that the Mane Event flyers re donations have gone out. Online donations are open. They will start sending emails through Ready, Set, Auction link. Volunteers will be at the 318 building on October 15th to receive family donations. A request was made to use the Missions room for the storage of donations. Mrs. McDuffie recommended that it be straightened up and to make sure everything is stored at least 10 feet from the piping. There are PTO items that need to be moved to the PTO room. Scott Livingston is going to donate storage for larger items. They will begin working on business donations in a couple of weeks. Faculty donations began this week. Emily requested permission to encourage family donations by offering some incentive. After a discussion, it was agreed that the incentive would be a \$5.00 credit toward one ticket purchase for the first 30 family donations.

Margaret Ward reported that the order forms for the new Spirit Wear sweatshirts will be going home. Also, there are more Tervis tumblers back in stock.

Brooke Gates reported for Missions that we collected \$813.00 for the JDRF Walk, and that doesn't include the dimes that were collected. They are still waiting on a total for that.

Vicky Paul reported that the room representatives need to collect two laundry baskets from each homeroom for the Thanksgiving baskets.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting will be held on December 6th at Noon in the Middle School conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara McKoon,

Secretary

