

Mother Teresa Parent Council Meeting Minutes

April 8th, 2024

Meeting Called: 6:02pm

In Attendance: Aura Street, Cody Young, Andrea Rota, Sarah Franchetto, Jen Pinnel, Jay Pinnel, Airana Lecorps, Sheri Gizen, Jodi Breitzkreuz, Chelsea Peterson and Tiffany Vossler

Additions & Approval of Agenda: Approved with additions: Instacakes, Little Ceasars and Team Hailey Update

Approval of Previous Minutes: Approved

Old Business:

Munch-a-Lunch: Wednesday is DQ and next up is Argos with Crumble Cookie. Jen P will send a reminder link out to Mrs. Lang to send parents.

Healthy Snack Workshop: Marla is good to bring nut products as it is after school hours and extra attention to cleaning will be done. We approved the cost increase of the workshop from \$20 per person to \$25 due to grocery costs. The last workshop of this series is scheduled for April 11 and there are 7 people confirmed. Sheri is to let Aura know if we need any special tools that the school may have that we can use.

Pi(e) Day: As always, this day was successful.

Mr. Pretzel: The sorting went really fast with 95 kits sold and pickup was prompt. Kit prices may go up next year however they will have a gift card option as well.

Argo's Fundraiser: We are confirmed that this fundraiser will be a go this April.

Art Auction: Teachers have started their classroom art projects for the Dine and Design event. It will be held on May 9 with an optional dinner from 6-7pm and art auction following from 7-7:30pm. There are two options for dinner: 1) Reg's Meats Catering or 2) Parent Council provided spaghetti and garlic toast with option of meatballs on the side. Parent council will communicate through email to confirm which way they would like to go with the meal and the price it will cost per plate. The dinner option will possibly be sold through School Cash. Once the invitation is out, there will be a deadline for the meal option and we will pick up a

few cases of water accordingly. The classroom art silent auction will be held in the gym and separate pieces will be sold outside their classroom door with a value of \$5 each. We will need at least 3 volunteers for the night, one to sell tickets for the art pieces and 2 to help with food. Sarah will make up a graphic and send it to Aura for social media and Mrs. Lang for the newsletter.

Cookbook: Moved to next meeting.

New Business:

School Start: We will continue to provide this for the next school year as it is very easy to provide with no additional work attached.

Mini Golf Tournament: We would organize with Hooplas if interested however we tabled it until next September.

Instacakes: This company is based out of BC and has been featured on Dragon's Den. They provide a 60 second mini cake kit that comes with everything you need from the batter to the sprinkles and candle at the end, all you need to do is add water. There are two options: either a \$10 mini cake or \$15 cake with card and council would receive \$4 for each cake sold or \$6 for the cake/card combo with free shipping over \$500 in sales. It comes in a few kinds of flavors as well as seasonal. Council is interested in implementing this fundraiser next school year.

Little Ceasars: Little Ceasars reached out to Jen P about hosting a fundraiser again this year which either gets us free kits or cash bonus. Council opted out of this fundraiser again this year.

Team Hailey Update: There was a huge shout out to council for helping with the bake sale as Team Hailey earned \$1,715! They would like to host a Hat for Hailey with button sale next. The school already has a designated Hats day for other charities so council suggested a wear purple and get a button for \$2 day instead. Jen L can reach out to Aura directly to plan this event.

Parent Association Report: Registration numbers are currently up for the district for next school year and they are still waiting for some late registrations to roll in. There was an update on the new school Holy Trinity Family as well as some information about the Chrome Essentials summer program, international program and Parent Council Conference that is happening this month in Edmonton. As well as a fundraising opportunity with Long Creations Digital

Designs for school journals. The journal cost would be \$50 each with council getting back \$10 of that. Will move this to September as well.

Teacher Report: Nothing to report.

Principal Report:

Swimming: The City of Medicine Hat changed their scheduling format as well as the requirements for how many parents to kid ratio's in Grades 1&2. With saying that grades 3-6 will each get 1 swimming date this year (instead of 2) at the Hill Pool and grades 1-2 will be going to a water park instead.

Grade 6 PATs: Grade 6's will have mandatory PAT exams in LA and Math as Science and Social Studies have been cancelled.

Traffic Assessment: Our school was assessed for traffic and there was obvious parking issues and hot spots noted. They recommended some minor changes as and a major change of designated drop and go parking areas at specific times. There will be new signage made and the assumption is that the City will have it ready to go by the beginning of next school year.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:14pm

Next Meeting: May 6th, 2024 at 6:00pm in the Learning Commons